

# FOLLOW THE FIREWORK CODE



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## DOs



- Only buy fireworks from retailers registered with MFRS
- Keep fireworks in a closed box
- Follow the instructions on each firework
- Light them at arm's length, using a taper
- Stand well back
- Always supervise children around fireworks
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves
- Keep pets indoors

## DON'Ts



- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks
- Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them
- Never give sparklers to a child under five
- Don't let fireworks off after 11pm



# WHEELIE BIN? TAKE IT IN!

## STOP YOUR BINS BEING SET ON FIRE

**DID YOU KNOW?** Wheelie bins can become easy targets over the bonfire period. Keep your bins safe, secure and, if possible, away from windows, doors and fences.

Only put your bin out on collection day and bring it back in IMMEDIATELY.

# DON'T LET THE FUN BACKFIRE THIS HALLOWEEN & BONFIRE

You can help to reduce the number of incidents by NEVER giving combustible materials to anyone, especially young people. Make sure your wheelie bin is not accessible to others & ensure any flammable material is kept out of sight.

Remember, Halloween costumes can easily catch fire from naked flames such as candles, fires, lighters & matches. Keep children wearing costumes away from naked flames & other heat sources.

Check your local authority's website for organised firework displays in your area.



## BONFIRES

are only allowed on private land with the owner's permission and **MUST** be supervised by an adult at **ALL TIMES**.



## TOP TIP

Keep water handy and ensure the fire is completely out before leaving.



**REMEMBER:** If a fire engine is called out to a deliberate bonfire, wheelie bin fire or rubbish fire, this may delay our response to other incidents.

**IN AN EMERGENCY, YOU SHOULD ALWAYS DIAL 999.**

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