LEGAL VS ILLEGAL FIREWORKS

Parents: are your kids buying fireworks on a reservation?
If so, they may NOT BE LEGAL FOR USE OFF THE RESERVATION.

DO NOT ALLOW YOUR CHILDREN TO PURCHASE FIREWORKS WITHOUT YOU. RESERVATION FIREWORKS MAY NOT BE QUALITY CONTROLLED AND MAY INJURE YOUR CHILD.

USING ILLEGAL FIREWORKS CAN RESULT IN
EXCESSIVE FINES OR CRIMINAL CHARGES.

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ILLEGAL Fireworks

Under State Law

- Firecrackers
- ALL bottle rockets
- Missile type rockets with fins
- Fireworks with sticks or fins

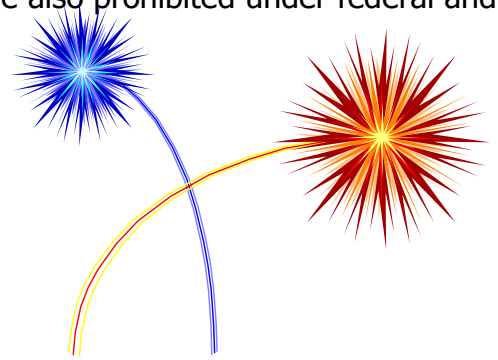
ILLEGAL EXPLOSIVES

Under State Law

- M-80's
- M-100's
- Cherry bombs
- Tennis balls
- Pipe bombs
- "Special Fireworks" (tampered, altered or homemade)
- Some Silver Salutes (amt. of pyrotech composition >50 mg.)
- All other larger and more dangerous explosives

The above fireworks and explosives are **not** legal for use by the public because:

- They are larger than allowed.
- They contain prohibited chemicals, or quantities of chemicals in excess of the allowed amounts.
- They are constructed in a manner not allowed under federal laws and regulations.
- Tampering with or altering legal fireworks is also illegal under both federal and state laws.
- Homemade devices of any kind are also prohibited under federal and state law.



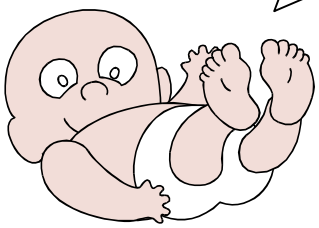
So, what fireworks ARE legal?

Legal Fireworks

Under Washington State Law

Sparklers
Cylindrical Fountain
Illuminating Torch
Ground Spinners
Smoke Devices
Combination Items
Flitter Sparkler
Cone Fountain
Wheels
Mine/Shell
Roman Candles
Helicopter A

What do you mean I have to be at least 16 years old or accompanied by a parent to purchase legal fireworks.



When can LEGAL fireworks be purchased?

City of Kent	June 28	Noon to 11 p.m.
	June 29 – July 4	9:00 a.m. to 11 p.m.
City of Covington	June 28	Noon to 11 p.m.
	June 29 – July 4	9:00 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Unincorporated King County	June 28	Noon to 11 p.m.
	June 29 – July 4	9:00 a.m. to 11 p.m.

When can I discharge fireworks?

City of Kent	July 4	9 a.m. to 11 p.m.
City of Covington	July 4	9 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight
Unincorporated King County	July 4	9 a.m. to 12:00 Midnight

It's true- you must be 16 'to purchase legal fireworks.

Preparing for a safe Fourth of July

- Only use LEGAL fireworks. Many fireworks **sold** on the reservation are not legal to **use (**off the reservation). Please read *our page on legal and illegal fireworks.*
- Children should NEVER be allowed to light or hold fireworks.
- Keep pets indoors and teach kids to keep fireworks away from pets.
- Place all used fireworks in a bucket of water.
- Keep a water hose and/or fire extinguisher nearby.
- Use a hose or fire extinguisher to put out stray sparks.
- Be prepared to call 911 if necessary.
- Know how to perform basic first aid and keep a first aid kit nearby.

Lighting Fireworks Safely

- **Designate ONE ADULT to light all fireworks.**
- **Wear eye protection when lighting fireworks.**
- **Light only one at a time.**
- **Move away from the lit fireworks quickly.**

- **Keep at a safe distance until the fireworks are completely finished.**
- **Never light fireworks indoors.**
- **Never light fireworks near things that could burn.**
- **Keep fireworks away from animals.**
- **Never throw fireworks.**
- **Never light fireworks in your hand.**
- **Don't use fireworks in a crowd.**
- **Never place fireworks in glass containers or under metal cans.**

Being Responsible

- When finished with your fireworks, **clean up all debris**.
- Be considerate of your neighbors.
- Be careful with duds - wait at least five minutes before having an adult approach them.
- Remember to place all duds and other fireworks in a bucket of water after they have been used.
- Fireworks may NOT be lit in public parks or on school grounds.