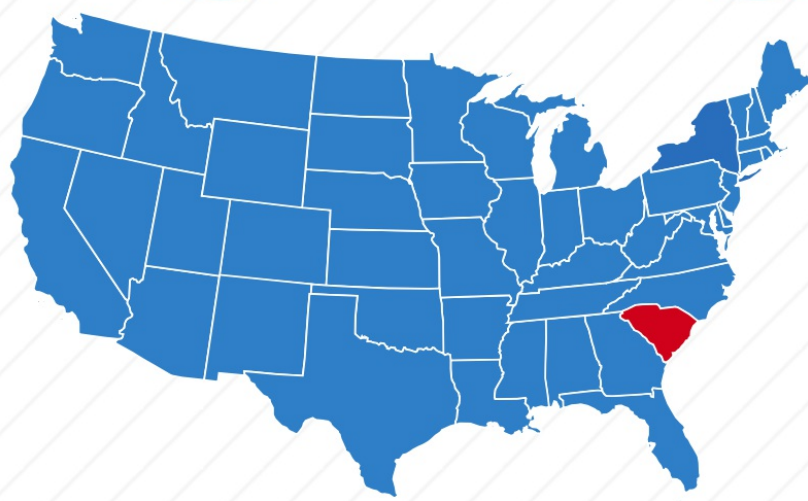


4th of July

& Fireworks

Safety



South Carolina state law prohibits fireworks from being sold to anyone younger than 16 years old.

Before Igniting Fireworks

Observe local laws and weather conditions.

If unsure whether it is legal to use fireworks, check with local officials.

Dry weather can make it easier for fireworks to start a fire.



Before lighting fireworks, ensure people and pets are out of range.

Only use fireworks outdoors, away from homes, dry grass, and trees.

Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose handy in case of fire.

Buy from permitted fireworks retailers.

Avoid buying fireworks packaged in brown paper. This is often a sign the fireworks were made for professional displays and could pose a danger to consumers.

Store fireworks in a cool, dry place.

Never experiment or attempt to make your own fireworks.



Never allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks.

Always have an adult present when shooting fireworks. Use common sense. Always read and follow the directions.

Be careful when using sparklers as they burn at temperatures of about 2,000 degrees.

During and After Igniting Fireworks



Remember to Never:

Carry fireworks in a pocket.

Shoot fireworks from metal or glass containers.

Place any part of your body directly over a fireworks device when lighting the fuse.

Point or throw fireworks at another person.

Try to relight or handle malfunctioning fireworks. Soak it in water and throw it away.



Remember to Always:

Light fireworks one at a time, then move back quickly to a safe distance.

Put used fireworks in a bucket of water; keep a garden hose on hand.

