



# Be Sparkler Safe this 4th of July!

Sparklers add flair and fun to July 4th celebrations large and small. However, sparklers burn at a temperature of approximately 1,800° F and therefore, care must be taken to use them properly, especially around children.

Professor Sparkz offers some safety tips to keep your festivities fun and youngsters safe:

- ☀ Only use sparklers outside.
- ☀ Close adult supervision is a **MUST** for children under the age of 12 using sparklers.
- ☀ Never light or hold more than one sparkler at a time.
- ☀ Always keep sparklers at arm's length away from the body.
- ☀ Stand at least six feet away from other people.
- ☀ Don't run with, throw, or hand a lit sparkler to someone else.
- ☀ Avoid loose fitting apparel, sparklers can ignite fabric and clothes could catch fire.
- ☀ Wear closed-toe shoes to help prevent from accidental foot burns.
- ☀ Douse spent sparklers in a bucket of water, the wire or bamboo sticks stay hot after the sparkler is done burning.
- ☀ After they cool, remember to dispose of sticks in a plastic waste bin; stepping on used sparklers can cause foot injuries.

Follow Professor Sparkz' Simple Tips and Enjoy a Sparkler Safe 4th of July!

