

Fireworks Fact Sheet

The County of Brant **Fireworks Bylaw 19-23**, regulates the supply, sale and use of Fireworks in the County of Brant.

For the full bylaw, visit brant.ca/fireworks

In the County of Brant:

- You must be 18 years of age or older to discharge Fireworks
- Family fireworks can only be discharged without a permit on the day of **Diwali**, the **Lunar New Year**, and on or **within three (3) days before and after Victoria Day and Canada Day**.
- Outside of Diwali, the Lunar New Year, and the three (3) days before and after Victoria Day and Canada Day, family fireworks require an approved permit from the County of Brant Fire Chief prior to discharge.
- Applications for Family Fireworks, Display Fireworks and Pyrotechnics must be submitted to the County of Brant **at least thirty (30) days prior to the event**.
- A 'Certificate of Insurance' is required for any Firework permit. This amount will vary depending on the type of application.
- Fireworks can only be set off on your own property unless you have written consent from the property owner.
- It is also your responsibility to ensure that debris will fall on your own property. Where fallout or debris lands on any property for which you are not the owner, you must obtain written permission from the owner of that property.
- Immediate Extinguishment must be ready prior to discharging fireworks.
- Fireworks are not permitted in any location to which a Fire Ban is in effect.
- Any Firework Permit can be revoked at any time by the Fire Chief in the event of non-compliance with the bylaw.
- Fireworks must be discharged in accordance with the manufacturer's safety instructions.

Fireworks *Safety Tips*

To ensure a fun but safe family fireworks display, it is important that simple safety procedures are followed.

➔ **Be sure to read all instructions on the fireworks.**



Choose a wide, clear site away from all obstacles. Refer to the safety instructions on the fireworks label for minimum distances from spectators.



Do not fire in windy conditions



Use a good firing base such as a pail filled with earth or sand. Bury fireworks that do not have a base halfway in a container of earth or sand (such as a pail, box or wheelbarrow) unless the label on the firework indicates otherwise. Set them at a 10 degree angle pointing away from people.



Never try to light a firework or hold a lit firework in your hand unless the manufacturer's instructions indicate that they are designed to be hand-held.



Always light the fuse at its tip



Keep water nearby and dispose of used fireworks in a pail of water.



Wait at least 30 minutes before approaching a firework that did not go off. Never try to relight a firework that does not go off. Never try to fix a firework that is defective.



Keep fireworks in a cool, dry, ventilated place, out of the reach of children.

<https://natural-resources.canada.ca/explosives/fireworks/9905>

To obtain a permit, contact:

County of Brant Fire
61 Dundas Street East, Paris N3L 3H1
519.442.4500 (non-emergency) TF 1.866.847.5416
Call 911 for an emergency.

