**DO**

- Consider safer alternatives such as glow sticks, confetti poppers or colored streamers
- Observe your Local & State laws
- Have an adult light all legal fireworks
- Light one firework at a time & move away quickly
- Keep children at a safe distance – behind a protective barrier
- Store fireworks out of children’s reach
- Keep a bucket of water close for disposal of fireworks

**DON’T**

- Allow children to handle fireworks – including sparklers
- Attempt to alter, modify or re-light fireworks
- Point or throw lit fireworks at anyone
- Allow children to pick up the spent fireworks - some may still be active
- Ever hold lit fireworks in your hand
- Consume alcohol when lighting fireworks

**THE FACTS**

- Sparklers can reach 2,000°F, hotter than a blow torch
- Thousands of fireworks injuries were treated in U.S. hospital ED’s in 2012. The most common Injuries to the hands, face & eyes can leave permanent damage (CPSC)
- Over 50% of fireworks injuries occur with people under the age of 20 years

**THE FIX**

*If a burn injury does happen…*

1) Cool the burn with COOL (not cold) water to stop the burning process

2) Remove all clothing and jewelry from the injured area

3) Cover the area with a dry clean sheet or bandages

4) Seek medical attention