



BONFIRE/FIREWORK DISPLAY

Safety Guide

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KEY BENEFITS

Community

Creates a sense of community and shared experience among participants.

Cultural Traditions

Enhances storytelling and cultural traditions through fire rituals.

Responsibility

Encourages responsibility through safe fire management practices.

Lasting Memories

Builds memories and strengthens group cohesion.

KEY HAZARDS & CONTROL MEASURES**Fire Spread & Burns**

- ✓ Minimum safe distance barriers established
- ✓ Fire extinguishers and water supplies ready
- ✓ Bonfire built away from trees and structures
- ✓ Trained fire wardens supervising at all times

Firework Misfire

- ✓ Only trained adults handle fireworks
- ✓ Fireworks checked for damage before use
- ✓ Spectator exclusion zones clearly marked
- ✓ Misfire procedure communicated to all staff

Crowd Management

- ✓ Clear entry and exit routes established
- ✓ Emergency evacuation plan communicated
- ✓ Capacity limits set and monitored
- ✓ Stewards positioned throughout venue

Weather Conditions

- ✓ Weather forecast monitored before event
- ✓ Contingency date arranged if needed
- ✓ Wind speed limits for cancellation set
- ✓ Wet weather clothing advised

PRE-SESSION SAFETY CHECKLIST**Risk Assessment**

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complete and review risk assessment for this activity | <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure all identified hazards have control measures in place |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brief all staff on key risks and emergency procedures | |

Fire Safety

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Safe location selected | <input type="checkbox"/> Exclusion zone marked |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extinguishers positioned | <input type="checkbox"/> Fire wardens briefed |

Fireworks

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Storage secure and dry | <input type="checkbox"/> Launch area cordoned |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Operator trained | <input type="checkbox"/> Misfire plan ready |

Crowd Control

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Entry routes clear | <input type="checkbox"/> Exit routes lit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stewards positioned | <input type="checkbox"/> PA system working |

Emergency

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| <input type="checkbox"/> First aid point set | <input type="checkbox"/> Burns kit stocked |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency access clear | <input type="checkbox"/> Communications checked |



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