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# Blinded by the light

Be eye safe this bonfire  
night and follow the  
sparkler firework code





**Every year ten people in the UK lose their sight and 300 people suffer serious eye injuries as a result of accidents caused by fireworks.**

**Be eye safe this bonfire night and follow the Eyecare Trust's **SPARKLER** firework code...**

**S**hield your eyes with protective eyewear when lighting fireworks

**P**lunge sparklers into a bucket of cold water as soon as they have burnt out

**A**ttend organised displays wherever possible

**R**ead the instructions on the fireworks with a torch and follow them carefully (ensure your fireworks comply with the British Safety Standard (BS 7114))

**K**eep all fireworks in a closed metal box and only light one at a time

**L**eave fireworks that fail to go off – never return to a lit firework

**E**nsure everyone stands a safe distance away – **AT LEAST 25 metres** from Category 3 fireworks

**R**emove all debris and flammable objects (including plants and trees) from your firework display area

**For more information and advice about firework eye safety visit [www.eyecaretrust.org.uk](http://www.eyecaretrust.org.uk)**

