

## General Provisions

- ❖ Permit required for retail sales of Consumer Fireworks
- ❖ Permit required for Public Display of Consumer Fireworks
- ❖ Permit required for the display of Display Fireworks
- ❖ Only Fireworks authorized by the Explosives Regulatory Division, Natural Resources Canada are permitted to be sold or used
- ❖ Sales of Fireworks is prohibited to anyone under the age of 18 years
- ❖ The use of Consumer Fireworks is prohibited during any imposed Burn Ban
- ❖ No person shall discharge Pyrotechnic Special Effects without first obtaining a permit issued by the Fire Chief or designate.
- ❖ Contact the Licensing Officer, City of Kawartha Lakes for Retail Sales permit application information  
324-9411 Ext 343

## Using Consumer Fireworks

### Every person using Consumer Fireworks must take the following precautions:

- a) Use the fireworks only in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
- b) No person shall set off Consumer Fireworks closer than 30 metres to any structure or property line
- c) Use the fireworks in a manner that will not cause a risk to persons or property
- d) Do not use the fireworks indoors, on a public street or in a public park
- e) Do not use the fireworks within 100 m of a church, school, residential care facility or place where explosives are sold or stored
- f) Do not hold the fireworks in a hand during use unless the manufacturer's instructions indicate that they are designed to be handheld
- g) No person shall permit anyone under the age of 18 to set off any Consumer Fireworks other than a sparkler while under the supervision of a responsible adult

## Retail sale of Consumer Fireworks

### These conditions apply to every retail outlet

- a) The sale of Consumer Fireworks from an outdoor stand, tent, unenclosed trailer or motor vehicle is prohibited
- b) Fireworks are displayed in individual lots that do not exceed 25 kilograms
- c) Fireworks are displayed in sealed packages, glass case capable of being locked or other suitable receptacle
- d) Fireworks are displayed or stored away from inflammable goods
- e) Fireworks are displayed or stored where they are not exposed to the rays of the sun or excess heat
- f) The display or storage area must be clearly marked "Fireworks"
- g) No smoking signs must be posted

## Safety Instructions for Consumers



Use a good firing base such as a pail, or wheelbarrow filled with earth or sand.



Choose a wide, clear site away from all obstacles (30 metres x 30 metres for roman candles)



Keep water nearby: dispose of used fireworks (including debris) in a pail of water



NEVER try to light a firework or hold a lit firework in your hand, other than a sparkler



Do not fire in windy conditions



Never try to relight a firework that did not go off. Never try to fix a firework that is defective

This guide should be used for general reference only. For official wording and exact specifications please obtain a copy of City of Kawartha Lakes By-Law # 2007-236

Copies of the Fireworks By-Law are available at Service Centres or online at

[www.city.kawarthalakes.on.ca](http://www.city.kawarthalakes.on.ca)

For more information on the Fireworks By-Law please contact:

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## FIREWORKS BY-LAW QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

The City of Kawartha Lakes Council has recently enacted a new by-law to regulate the sale and use of fireworks, the precautions to be observed by persons setting off fireworks and for the setting of fees for fireworks permits.

