

Bonfire Night Advice



Warwickshire
POLICE

- ⊘ It is illegal to sell fireworks to anyone under 18 years of age. Maximum penalty of £5000 and/or six months in prison
- ⊘ It is illegal to set off fireworks between 11pm and 7am (Bonfire night extended until 12 midnight)
- ⊘ It is illegal for a member of the public to possess a "display" style firework (Category 4 fireworks, can only be used by professionals)
- ⊘ It is illegal to let off any firework in a public place and this carries a fine of up to £5000. Police may also issue an £80 Fixed Penalty Notice
- ⊘ All fireworks sold to the public must comply to British Safety Standard BS 7114
- ⊘ The Police have the power to stop and search anyone suspected of carrying fireworks
- ⊘ The sale of bangers, mini rockets, fireworks that fly erratically (Squibs, helicopters etc), aerial shells and maroons is illegal
- ⊘ Fireworks can only be stored for private use for up to 14 days, subject to them being stored in a safe place
- ⊘ It is illegal to cause unnecessary suffering to animals with fireworks. Maximum penalty £5000 and/or six months in prison