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FIRE SAFETY FACTS



A FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE FROM THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY AND YOUR LOCAL FIRE SERVICE





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Thanks to the many small communities in New Jersey, there is ample opportunity to enjoy visual spectaculars at hundreds of locally permitted and regulated displays that occur in the state during the summer months.

In addition, annually scheduled holiday fireworks along the waterfront opposite Philadelphia, New York City, and the Jersey Shore afford residents access to world class pyrotechnic displays.



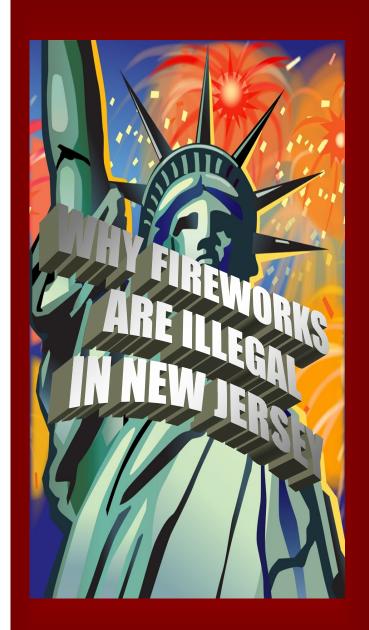
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# What is the law?

According to Title 21 of the NJ State Administrative Code It is **ILLEGAL** in the State of New Jersey to <u>use, possess</u>, or, even <u>transport</u> fireworks.

Each year New Jersey law enforcement officials confiscate thousands of illegal fireworks in our state.

*Here are the reasons: why...* 

# FIREWORKS SAFETY ANSWERS

#### REASON #1

In 2007 the Consumer Product Safety Commission reported 11 fireworks related deaths nationwide. Three people were killed as a direct result of storing illegal fireworks that year.

### REASON #2

According to the CPSC fireworks resulted in an estimated 9,800 injuries in 2007. In 2006, there were 9,200 fireworks related injuries.

## REASON #3

An estimated 2,200 major structural or vehicle fires were started by fireworks in 2004. These fires caused an estimated 21 million dollars in property damage.

THE MOST IMPORTANT REASON FIREWORKS ARE ILLEGAL IN NEW JERSEY IS BECAUSE THEY ARE A THREAT TO HUMAN LIFE AND PROP-ERTY