

A Limited Number of Consumer Fireworks are Legal in Minnesota

In 2002, a limited number of consumer fireworks were legalized for use in Minnesota. Examples include sparklers, cones and tubes that emit sparks, novelty items like snakes, and party poppers. There is often a misconception that other types of fireworks (commonly purchased out of state) are legal for use in Minnesota. Explosive and aerial fireworks are still prohibited for public sale, possession and use. Prohibited fireworks include firecrackers, bottle rockets, missiles, roman candles, mortars and shells. Please see the Fireworks Fact Sheet for a more detailed list of examples.

Explosive and/or aerial fireworks that are not part of a permitted fireworks display are probably not legal for use. If you see or hear fireworks that you believe are illegal, please contact the Ramsey Police Department through Anoka County Dispatch at (763) 427-1212. Please note that sparklers and other novelty items that are legal for use may not be used on public property. This includes our parks, roads, schools, and government property. Their use is restricted to private property only.

For more information on Minnesota's Consumer Fireworks Regulations, you can contact the State Fire Marshal Division by email at firecode@state.mn.us or by calling (651) 215-0500. Additional information is also available at www.fire.state.mn.us .