Dear parents,

For many children and young people, New Year's Eve is a time of celebration, excitement and fireworks. But fireworks must be handled with care, and we all share a responsibility for keeping each other safe.

Talk to your children about how they can protect themselves, their friends and those around them. Remember that fireworks may only be set off on **31 December and 1 January**, and that following the five fireworks safety tips can help prevent accidents and injuries.

Useful facts to know and pass on:
- Fireworks may only be used legally on December 31st and January 1st
- You can legally purchase fireworks in stores from December 15th to December 31st
- Fireworks must be legal and CE-marked
- Violating the fireworks regulations can result in fines

Contact the police

Contact the police and call 1-1-4 if you find an abandoned/discarded chrysanthemum bomb or a powerful firework such as a "canonslag" – never touch it yourself!

More information

Find more information about fireworks, laws and regulations on the Danish Business Authority's website:
https://www.sik.dk/privat/goer-det-sikkert/fyrvaerkeri/love-og-regler-om-fyrvaerkeri

De fem fyrværkeriråd

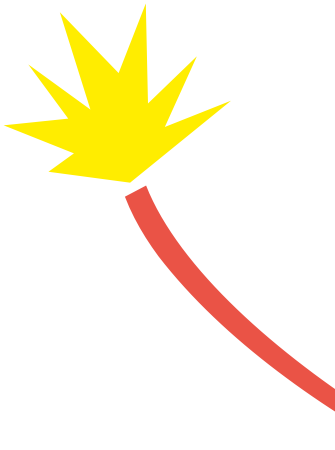
1. Always wear protective eyewear
2. Only use approved fireworks – never homemade or illegal fireworks
3. Never hold lit fireworks in your hand
4. Keep a safe distance and never lean over fireworks
5. Never go back to a misfire

(Source: Danish Business Authority)

Is it hard to get the conversation started?

Here are some questions you can use as a starting point:

- Do you think about what might go wrong when fireworks are being set off?
- How can you help keep yourself and others safe when adults are lighting fireworks?
- Can you think of an accident that could have been avoided if one of the five fireworks safety tips had been followed? Which one?
- Do you always follow the fireworks safety tips? If not, why?



Hovedstadens Beredskab and SSP Copenhagen wish everyone a safe and joyful December and a Happy New Year.