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Fireworks. They're ubiquitous this time of year, but there is no requirement in our Constitution that you use them, get injured by them or start a fire with them. As you plan to celebrate the upcoming Independence Day holiday, please remember that all fireworks that explode or leave the ground are illegal throughout Colorado. This includes firecrackers, cherry bombs, bottle rockets, roman candles, mortars and similar items. State-permissible fireworks include sparklers, fountains, ground spinners, and similar novelty items, but some neighborhoods, cities and counties restrict the use of these devices. Please check with the neighborhood, city or county where you live for specific restrictions before you buy fireworks.

Legal fireworks can be dangerous. Yet these devices also have the potential to injure users and bystanders, and ignite fires. According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, an average of 200 people go to the emergency room every day in the month around the July 4th holiday (6/22-7/22) with fireworks-related injuries. Each of those injuries was preventable. Remember, the safest way to enjoy fireworks is to view a professional display.

Neighbors, Please don't take this warning lightly. We have an at-risk neighborhood that could go up with just a cigarette stub let alone fireworks. If anyone sees fireworks in our area, call 911 right away. A Good Neighbor is one who keeps our homes from burning up.

Dumpster Day will be Aug 13th this year - start your planning now.

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