

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS POINTER: FIREWORK SAFETY

According to [Idaho Firewise](#), every year, fireworks cause:



More than 32,000 fires



More than 3,000 destroyed structures and vehicles

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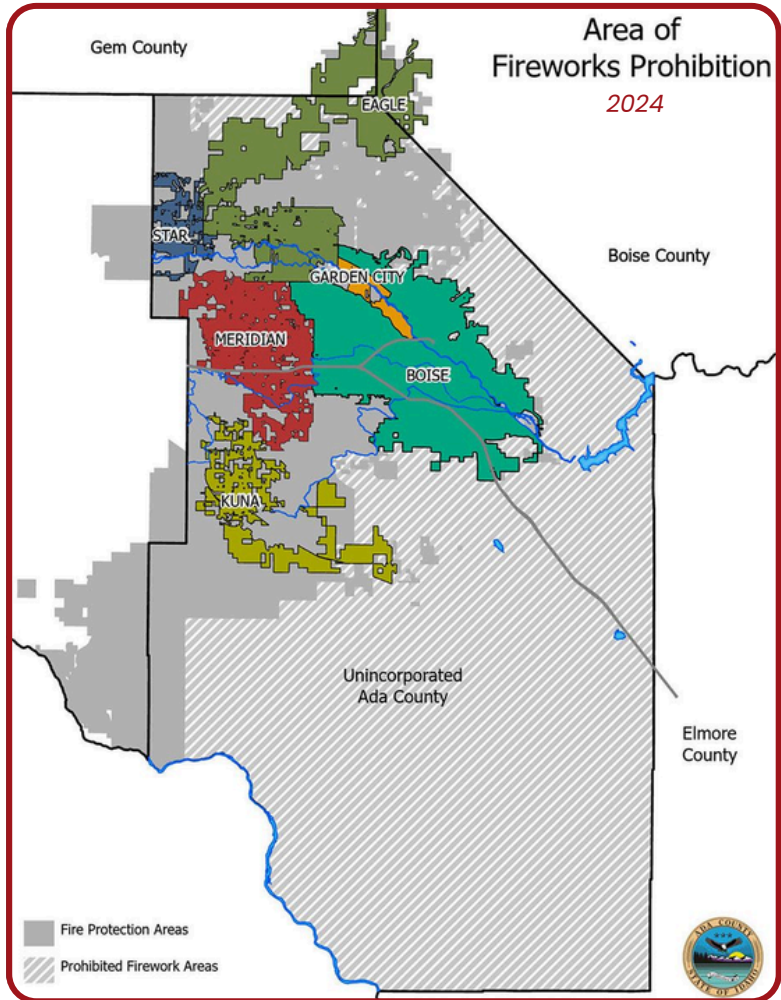
Around 10,000 emergency room visits

FIREWORK SAFETY TIPS

[Idaho Firewise](#) provides the following firework safety tips:

- Only designated adults should light fireworks.
- Put used fireworks in a bucket of water and have a garden hose ready to extinguish any sparks.
- Light one firework at a time, move away quickly and keep a safe distance until the display is finished.
- Only use fireworks outdoors and far from anything that can burn.
- Never throw fireworks or hold them in your hand.
- If a device does not light or fire, wait at least 15-minutes, then let an adult approach it carefully.
- Keep matches and lighters out of children's sight and reach.
- Clean up all debris.

Reference: Idaho Firewise. (n.d.). Common Causes of Wildfires in Idaho, Fireworks. Retrieved from: <https://idahofirewise.org/fire-prevention/common-causes-of-wildfires/>



FIREWORK REGULATIONS

There are existing federal, state, and local regulations placed on fireworks. Depending on conditions, lawmakers may choose to increase regulations on any given year. Before using fireworks in Ada County, please refer to current firework restrictions: <https://adacounty.id.gov/blog/news/fireworks-ban-for-unincorporated-ada-county/>



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