



MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE ECONOMY AND MARITIME AFFAIRS

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR MINING

OFFICE OF THE CABINET SECRETARY

(PUBLIC NOTICE)

USE OF FIREWORKS DURING NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

This is to inform the general public that use of fireworks during New Year celebrations has been authorized. Fireworks displays will only be conducted on venues authorized by the State Department for Mining.

Consequently, the public is requested to ensure that fireworks displays are carried out within the requirements of the Explosives Act Cap 115 Laws of Kenya. Fireworks displays should be carried out in an orderly manner so that the general public are not inconvenienced. In this regard, the parties carrying out displays shall ensure that:

1. The necessary permits to hold fireworks are obtained from State Department for Mining offices in **Nairobi, Mombasa, Wundanyi, Kisumu, Eldoret, Nakuru, Nyeri and Embu**.
2. Fireworks are used only at the authorized venues such as clubs, hotels, churches, sports grounds, school compounds or any other venue as may be authorized by an Inspector of Explosives.
3. All fireworks are sourced from licensed fireworks dealers.
4. The displays are held between **0000hrs and 0030hrs on 31st December 2024**.
5. Display shells are limited to a maximum of four-inch caliber in all venues in urban and built-up areas except as may be exempted by an Inspector of Explosives.
6. Only qualified, experienced and sober persons shall be allowed to fire aerial shells and other aerial display fireworks.

Firework Dealers shall ensure that: -

1. Fireworks are **not** sold to any child who is below age Thirteen (13) years as doing so is an offence under Explosives Act, Cap 115.
2. Aerial display fireworks (Shells, Rockets, Roman Candles and Cakes) are sold to holders of permits to display fireworks duly signed by an Inspector of Explosives

We take this opportunity to wish everyone a Prosperous New year.

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