

BONFIRES AND
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STAY SAFE
THIS
HALLOWEEN



SAFETY TIPS FOR A HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Do not leave material lying around that may be taken for a bonfire



Do not facilitate illegal bonfires or firework displays on or near your home or property



Contact the Fire Service or Local Authority if you see a bonfire being built or lit close to buildings, trees, overhead cables, underground services or car parking areas – Fire Service 999/112 OR Environment Section MCC - 042-9661240



Stay a safe distance from bonfires and fireworks – wind can carry sparks long distances which may cause permanent injuries and scars



Keep dangerous substances such as oil, petrol, diesel and spray cans away from fires or fireworks



Hazardous Materials like aerosols, foam filled furniture, batteries and tyres will behave erratically and cause toxic fumes



Parents, businesses and households – Do not provide any materials for bonfires



Do not buy, use or supply fireworks



Respect the Emergency Services, Council Staff and the Gardaí in doing their jobs



Keep pets indoors around Halloween night –

Above All – Be Safe and enjoy Halloween.

WHY SHOULD WE AVOID BUILDING OR ATTENDING BONFIRES?



Burning tyres and other toxic materials releases pollutants into the atmosphere, which is bad for our health, especially for asthma sufferers and those with respiratory diseases



Illegal Bonfires are dangerous - children, adults and pets are at a high risk of injury and trauma from fireworks and bonfires



It's bad for the environment - burnt earth on parklands, pitches and community green spaces will take approximately 18 months to recover before grass will grow back



Every year the Halloween clean up is a major cost to your Local Authority - think what that money could do for YOUR community



Monaghan Fire & Civil Protection, National Ambulance Service have an important and very busy job to do fighting fires and saving lives, and Bonfires are an unnecessary and avoidable extra burden on these busy men and women



Communities, especially older people, can become afraid when they see a bonfire and hear the associated noise

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