



MEDIA ADVISORY



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Press Conference on the Dangers of Fireworks

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- Who:** The Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) and the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) are partnering together to warn residents of the potential dangers of fireworks this Fourth of July holiday and promote fireworks safety.
- What:** OCSD and OCFA will discuss fireworks regulations, emphasizing that even "safe and sane" fireworks are illegal in most Orange County cities. If fireworks are allowed in their city, residents must comply with that city's regulations and use the fireworks only in the timeframe allowed, within those cities. Fireworks safety tips will also be discussed. Fireworks are explosives and can cause severe personal injuries and property damage if used incorrectly.

Scheduled Speakers

- OCSD Bomb Squad Investigator Robert Mann
- OCFA Operations Chief Dave Thomas
- Teenage victim of illegal bottle bomb (tentatively scheduled)

Static Display

- "safe and sane" fireworks
- illegal fireworks

Fireworks Danger Demonstration

- Mannequin with sparklers
- Watermelon with illegal fireworks
- Bottle bomb

When: **Monday, July 1 at 10:00 a.m.**
Media staging begins at 9:45 a.m.

Where: **OCSD Katella Training Facility**
1900 West Katella Avenue in Orange
Southwest parking lot adjacent to Santa Ana River Trail

Video & Interview Opportunities Available

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