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**Subject:** Mon Nov 28 Council >> Fireworks deputation

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]Mon Nov 28 Council >> Fireworks deputation

I wish to speak in person to the proposed ban on the evening of Monday Nov 28 City Council Meeting.

Kindly confirm details for the meeting.

Thank you

Aleem Kanji

CAO - Chief Advocacy Officer

Canadian National Fireworks Association

NationalFireworks.ca



## Canadian National Fireworks Association

- Aleem Kanji, Chief Advocacy Officer (CAO)
- November 28, 2022

Deputation to City Council

# Canadian National Fireworks Association

- Established in 2013, the Canadian National Fireworks Association is the leading voice advocating on behalf of the fireworks industry and our 3,000 members to promote fair access and safety in the sale and use of fireworks
- Partnering with all three levels of government to create improvements within the fireworks industry through:
  - Vendor Certification & Employee Training
  - Be a Good Neighbour Program
  - Advocacy with Regulators
  - Strong & Engaged member compliance
- Industry and the government both must accept the responsibility to create education, vendor certification and training for users

**Education and Communication are key to addressing Brampton's safety, and enforcement requirements**



*Mission of the CNFA is to promote fair access and safety in the sale and use of fireworks through vendor certification, employee training, advocacy with regulators, and member compliance.*



# Be a Good Neighbour Program – now in Punjabi

## BE A GOOD NEIGHBOUR

- Prepare
- Inform
- Respect
- Be Safe
- Celebrate
- Clean Up

HEY TORONTO!  
FIREWORKS ARE LEGAL TO USE IN CITY PARKS.  
PLEASE RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBOURS,  
YOUR COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENT!  
HAPPY CANADA DAY!

### FAMILY FIREWORKS SAFETY SÉCURITÉ DES FEUX D'ARTIFICE

- 1. Read and follow the instructions on the fireworks box.
- 2. Do not use fireworks if you are under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- 3. Do not use fireworks in prohibited areas.
- 4. Do not use fireworks in a confined space.
- 5. Do not use fireworks in a vehicle.
- 6. Do not use fireworks in a structure.
- 7. Do not use fireworks in a field of tall grass or brush.
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- 10. Do not use fireworks in a field of tall grass or brush.

Millions of Canadians enjoy fireworks every year to celebrate traditional holidays and personal celebrations. Please join us and download our "Be a Good Neighbour" safety pamphlet. Lets all enjoy fireworks safely while respecting our neighbours. Good neighbours: Prepare, Inform, Respect, Be Safe, Celebrate, and Clean Up!

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## ਇੱਕ ਚੰਗੇ ਗੁਆਂਢੀ ਬਣੋ

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ਲੱਖਾਂ ਕੈਨੇਡੀਅਨ ਹਰ ਸਾਲ ਰਵਾਇਤੀ ਛੁੱਟੀਆਂ ਅਤੇ ਨਿੱਜੀ ਜਸ਼ਨ ਮਨਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਪਟਾਕਿਆਂ ਦਾ ਆਨੰਦ ਲੈਂਦੇ ਹਨ। ਕਿਰਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਸਾਡੇ ਨਾਲ ਜੁੜੋ ਅਤੇ ਸਾਡਾ "ਚੰਗੇ ਗੁਆਂਢੀ ਬਣੋ" ਸੁਰੱਖਿਆ ਕਿਤਾਬਚਾ ਡਾਊਨਲੋਡ ਕਰੋ। ਆਓ ਸਾਰੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਗੁਆਂਢੀਆਂ ਦਾ ਆਦਰ ਕਰਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਸੁਰੱਖਿਅਤ ਢੰਗ ਨਾਲ ਪਟਾਕਿਆਂ ਦਾ ਆਨੰਦ ਮਾਣੀਏ। ਚੰਗੇ ਗੁਆਂਢੀ: ਤਿਆਰੀ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ, ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ, ਆਦਰ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ, ਸੁਰੱਖਿਅਤ ਰਹਿੰਦੇ ਹਨ, ਜਸ਼ਨ ਮਨਾਉਂਦੇ ਹਨ, ਅਤੇ ਸਫ਼ਾਈ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਨ!

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# Education, not Banning is the key to Compliance

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**ਹੁਣ ਕੈਨੇਡਾ ਦੇ ਮਿਸ਼ੀਸਾਗਾ 'ਚ ਰੋਵੇਗਾ ਖਾਲਿਸਤਾਨ ਰੈਡਰੋਡਮ**

ਮਹਿਲਾ ਨੇ ਜਲਦੀ ਕੋਰਟ

**ਭਾਰਤੀ ਹਾਈ ਰਿਜਿਸਟਰ ਨੇ ਸਿੱਖਾਂ ਦੇ ਵਿਰੋਧ ਮਗਰੋਂ ਵਿਦਾਇਤ ਤਸਵੀਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਡਿਜ਼ੀਟਲ**

**ਤੁਲਸੀ ਗੋਬਿੰਦ ਨੇ ਭੈਰੋਵਿਕ ਪਾਰਟੀ 'ਤੇ ਨਾਨਕਾਚਾਰ ਦੇ ਦੋਸ਼ ਲਗਾ ਕੇ ਕੀਤਾ ਤੋੜ-ਫਿੱਟਾ**

315-254-0302

Patrick Brown @patrickbrownnt

We still see thousands of infractions despite the by laws. There seems to be a real interest in celebrating Diwali with fireworks. The same old approach of banning them isn't working. Police and by law can't keep up with the number infractions all happening at the same time.

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Prepare ਤਿਆਰੀ ਕਰੋ | Inform ਸੂਚਤ ਕਰੋ | Respect ਆਦਰ ਕਰੋ | Be Safe ਸੁਰੱਖਿਅਤ ਰਹੋ | Celebrate ਜਸਨ ਮਨਾਓ | Clean Up ਸਫ਼ਾਈ ਕਰੋ

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# Vendor Certification & Employee Training Program

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## Fireworks Vendor Training Course

- Explosives Act Review
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  - The Explosives Safety and Security Branch (ESSB)
  - Explosives Regulatory Division
  - Transport Canada
  - Provincial and Municipal Bylaws
  - Regulator & Bylaw Review
- Sales Establishment**
  - Sales Establishment (Your Store)
  - The Definition of a Dwelling
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  - Requirements of a Sales Establishment**
  - Temporary Sales Establishment

### Requirements of a Sales Establishment

341 (2) Whether the establishment is permanent or temporary, the retailer must ensure that

- (a) the sales establishment is protected from unauthorized access when it is not open for business, and
- (b) all places where consumer fireworks are stored, whether inside or outside the establishment, must be at least 100 m from all above-ground storage tanks for flammable substances in bulk and at least 8 m from the following:
  - (i) fuel dispensers at a fuel dispensing station,
  - (ii) retail propane-dispensing tanks and cylinders,
  - (iii) above-ground storage tanks for flammable substances, and
  - (iv) dispensing facilities for compressed natural gas.

NF Business Regulations 2011 - BR/01/0714, 01/02

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CNFA Vendor Certification and Employee Training Course coming soon!



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**CNFA: Canadian National Fireworks Association**

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1/ Banning 4,000 federally approved fireworks products will not work. Purchases will be made in other cities, online or underground through illegal vendors.



**insauga** @insauga · Nov 23

Fireworks ban coming to Brampton after record number of complaints  
[insauga.com/fireworks-ban-...](https://insauga.com/fireworks-ban-...)

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# GUNTER: Edmonton's proposed amateur fireworks ban an overreach by council

Lorne Gunter

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Edmonton Fire Chief Joe Zatylny told city council that without a ban on amateur fireworks, it's hard for the city to crack down on illegal fireworks and follow up on complaints. PHOTO BY ED KAISER /Postmedia, file

Really!? Council is considering banning amateurs from setting off fireworks inside





## Canadian National Fireworks Association

*Promoting fair access and safety in the sale and use of fireworks*

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June 22, 2022

### **CNFA opposes proposed fireworks ban in Brampton, welcomes report referral by the city**

On June 22, 2022, during the City of Brampton's Committee of Council meeting, a unanimous decision by Council was made to refer back to staff to consult with the industry and the residents of Brampton on fireworks. The CNFA welcomes the referral back, and the opportunity to re-examine a proposed blanket fireworks ban in Canada's fastest-growing city and should include a full review in Brampton of:

1. The proposed fireworks ban.
2. City by-law enforceability of the proposed fireworks ban.
3. Canada's only 3-metre height regulation of fireworks.
4. Transparent data on fireworks complaints.
5. Stronger education, public engagement, and communications around the safe use of fireworks.

During this meeting, Aleem Kanji, Chief Advocacy Officer of the Canadian National Fireworks Association, also known as the CNFA, a national association representing fireworks manufacturers, distributors, and retailers, made a presentation to the committee. Mr. Kanji's presentation focused on a ban being unenforceable while stating that the CNFA is proud to continue to partner with the city on education, training, vendor certification and employee training courses and strengthened communications with the City of Brampton.

The CNFA has launched a campaign on the safe use of fireworks including in the language of Punjabi, exclusively for Brampton residents. It is proud to have its website accessible fully in Punjabi at [www.NationalFireworks.ca](http://www.NationalFireworks.ca). Mr. Kanji added that as the city approaches the festival of Diwali on October 24, residents should be given the opportunity to use fireworks - a longstanding tradition in the celebration of Diwali that has existed for centuries, celebrated by over 1 billion people across the world including 250,000 in Brampton.

The CNFA looks forward to our longstanding partnership with all City of Brampton officials, stakeholders and the wider community and will continue to be a resource for the city. Like other Canadians, we look forward to Bramptonians continuing to celebrate fireworks safely, as they do with other activities.

**ABOUT THE CNFA:** The Canadian National Fireworks Association (CNFA) is a national association that represents fireworks manufacturers, distributors and retailers. The CNFA's mission is to promote fair access and safety in the sale and use of all fireworks through public education, advocacy with regulators, and member compliance. [www.nationalfireworks.ca](http://www.nationalfireworks.ca) The CNFA is committed to working with federal, provincial, and local municipalities to educate consumers, vendors and regulators about the safe sale and use of family fireworks, along with fair and reasonable regulation.

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# The Ask

As Council unanimously consented to in June 2022, refer the item back to staff to conduct consultations with the industry and residents of Brampton:

***A motion to amend the item to immediately convene a working group of all stakeholders to work together and bring forward solutions on fireworks***



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# Environment & Carbon Footprint

Industry has worked with Dr. Tom Smith – Chemist from Oxford University to create a software calculator to measure our footprint:

- A consumer fireworks display of \$1000: 5.25 KG of CO<sub>2</sub>
- A consumer fireworks display of \$500: 0.625 KG of CO<sub>2</sub>
- 1 hour car trip from Brampton to Downtown Toronto: 19 KG of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Propane gas tank for backyard BBQ: 2.4 KG of CO<sub>2</sub> per hour
- Return flight from Toronto to Tampa: 270 KG of CO<sub>2</sub>
- 7 day cruise for 1 person: 1 metric ton of CO<sub>2</sub>

Fireworks FX reduced its carbon footprint by 70 metric tons per year in 2021 and we expect a reduction of 200 metric tons in 2022



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