

PROTECT YOUR EVERY DAY



Potential Indicators of Suspicious Activities Related To Fireworks

What Should I Consider Suspicious?

Individuals or Groups who:

- Ask questions about topics irrelevant to the use of fireworks such as disassembly/modification of fireworks, bulk reloadable shells without launching tubes, or the amount of black powder/flash powder in a particular firework or explosive.
- Show interest in using fireworks to propel fragmentation.
- Ask about “under the counter” commercial fireworks or other illegal devices.
- Express interest in improvised explosives, flash powder, other energetic pyrotechnic mixtures.
- Express interest in equipping improvised explosive devices with black powder from fireworks.
- Have injuries consistent with explosives experimentation such as missing hand/fingers, and burns.
- Behave nervously or provide vague answers about the reason for purchasing fireworks.
- Display unusual activity near cameras or attempts to disguise themselves.
- Make suspicious threatening comments regarding violent extremism, anti-Semitism, racism, etc.
- Purchase large quantities of sparklers.

It is important to remember that just because someone’s speech, actions, beliefs, appearance, or way of life is different, does not mean that he or she is suspicious.

This list is not all inclusive, nor is it intended to limit the lawful conduct of innocent persons. The totality of behavioral indicators and other relevant circumstances should be considered in deciding whether to report suspicious activity.

What Should I Do?

- ✓ Require a valid driver’s license from all customers.
- ✓ Make note of suspicious statements, people and/or vehicles.
- ✓ Talk to customers, ask questions and observe to their responses.
- ✓ If something seems wrong, notify law enforcement authorities.

Do not jeopardize your safety or the safety of others. In an emergency, call 911.

Ensuring domestic security is a community effort. By learning what to look for, you can make a positive contribution to domestic security.

This information was adapted from indicators provided by the FDLE. For additional suspicious activity indicators, please visit the Florida See Something, Say Something website at www.FLSeeSay.org.

