

Aberdeen Fireworks Frequently Asked Questions



What is the best way to get to the fireworks display?

We highly recommend you use public transport or the Park and Ride services from Kingswells, Calder Park and Bridge of Don which have drop off and pick up points very close to the display area.

Is there parking provided?

No, there isn't any dedicated parking spaces. There is a limited amount of parking for Blue Badge holders only on Links Road between Urquhart Road and the Beach Ballroom with access via Urquhart Road. Don't forget your blue badge and spaces are allocated on a first come first served basis. After the event, please be patient as you will need to wait for the crowds to leave before you are allowed to drive away.

What time do the roads close and reopen?

The majority of roads close at 5.45pm and re-open at 9.00pm on Thursday 5 November. There are some exceptions and full details on the road closures and traffic restrictions can be found online at aberdeencity.gov.uk/winterfestival

Why are so many roads closed when the fireworks display is on?

As over 12,000 people annually attend this event we have to close the nearby roads to ensure everyone can enter, watch and leave the Queens Links area safely.

Can I bring sparklers to the event?

Yes. Please use them responsibly by not giving them to children under 5 years old, never hold a child and sparkler and supervise young children closely. Once finished, please put them in the used sparklers bins. Full safety advice is available at firescotland.gov.uk/your-safety/fireworks-safety.aspx

Can I bring fireworks to the event?

No, in the interests of public safety we do not allow any fireworks at the event. Anyone found with fireworks will have them removed.

What should I do if my child gets lost?

As this is a very popular and busy event please ensure you keep a close watch on young children at all times. Please tell your children that if they get lost to tell a Police Officer or Event Steward wearing hi-visibility clothing. Parents and carers should immediately report a lost child to a Police Officer or Event Steward with a description of their appearance and clothing.

Why is there no bonfire at Aberdeen Fireworks display?

In the interest of public safety Aberdeen City Council made the decision a number of years ago to remove a bonfire from its 5 November activities and focus on the quality of the Fireworks display.