

# Fireworks Bill

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Make provision about the sale of fireworks; and for connected purposes.

**B**E IT ENACTED by the King’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

## 1 Amendment of the Firework Regulations 2004

(1) The Firework Regulations 2004 are amended as follows.

(2) In Regulation 3, insert in the appropriate places—

““low noise category F2 firework” means a category F2 firework with a maximum noise level of 90db or lower;

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“high noise category F2 firework” means a category F2 firework with a maximum noise level higher than 90db;”

(3) In Regulation 9, at the beginning insert—

“(A1) No person shall supply or expose for supply any high noise category F2 firework, category F3 firework or category F4 firework other than to—

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(a) a person who is employed in, or whose trade or business (or part of whose trade or business) is the supply of fireworks or assemblies, for the purpose of that person’s supplying them in accordance with the provisions of the 2015 Regulations;

(b) a person who is employed by, or in business as, a professional organiser or operator of firework displays for the purpose of that person’s employment or business; or

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(c) a person who is employed in, or whose trade or business (or part of whose trade or business) is, the transport of fireworks, for the purpose of that person’s trade, employment or business.”

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(4) In paragraph (1)—

(a) omit “paragraphs (2) and (2A)” and insert “paragraph (2A)”, and

(b) for “adult firework” substitute “low noise category F2 firework ”.

(5) Omit paragraph (2).

## 2 Consequential provision

- (1) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision that is consequential on section 1.
- (2) Regulations under this section are to be made by statutory instrument.
- (3) A statutory instrument containing regulations under this section may not be made unless a draft instrument has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament. 5

## 3 Review: online sale of fireworks

- (1) The Secretary of State must, within six months of the passing of this Act, appoint an independent person (“the independent person”) to carry out a review of the regulation of the online sale of fireworks (“the review”). 10
- (2) The review must consider –
  - (a) whether existing fireworks regulations are suitable for regulating the online sale of fireworks,
  - (b) the effectiveness of current provision for enforcing the law relating to the online sale of fireworks, and 15
  - (c) whether there is a need for specific regulation of the sale of fireworks on social media.
- (3) The independent person must prepare a report of the review and provide a copy of that report to the Secretary of State. 20
- (4) The report under subsection (3) may contain recommendations for such changes to the law or to government policy as the independent reviewer considers appropriate.
- (5) The Secretary of State must lay before Parliament a copy of the report before Parliament as soon as is reasonably practicable after receipt. 25

## 4 Extent, commencement and short title

- (1) This Act extends to England and Wales and Scotland.
- (2) This Act comes into force at the end of the period of six months beginning with the day on which it is passed.
- (3) This Act may be cited as the Fireworks Act 2025. 30



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