



# SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

Renton Regional Fire Authority

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION

## June 2022

### June is National Fireworks Safety Month

While fireworks may be a fun and festive way to celebrate our nations freedom, they can also be harmful when not handled properly.

Fireworks have been banned in the **Renton city limits since May 2005**. This was in response to the fires and associated damages caused. It is designed to protect residents and their property. Since the ban, there has been a substantial decrease in the number of fires and injuries.

### Unincorporated King County Firework Ban

This year fireworks will **also be in unincorporated King County**. This new ban brings unincorporated King County in line with most other jurisdictions to minimize confusion. Families in King County can still take the opportunity to enjoy professional fireworks displays that will be located throughout the county. For more info:

[kingcounty.gov/fireworksban](http://kingcounty.gov/fireworksban)

### Water Safety

With summer temperatures on their way, it may be tempting to jump into rivers and lakes, but these waterways can pose some risks. If you plan to be in or near water this summer, follow these recommendations:

**Know the risks** — Washington State waters are often cold enough to cause muscles to not work, even on the hottest summer day. Cold water can weaken even the strongest swimmer.

**Learn to swim** — To enjoy the water safely, learn swim strokes, water safety, survival skills, and becoming comfortable in the water.

**Wear a lifejacket** — Always wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved lifejacket when boating, tubing, rafting, swimming, or other activities in or on lakes, rivers, saltwater, or pools without a lifeguard.

**Swim where there is a lifeguard** — Swim in areas with lifeguards when possible. Wear a lifejacket while swimming in unguarded waters or until the guards start their service.

**Supervise children in or near water** — Always provide close and constant attention to children you are supervising in or near water. Always stay within touching distance of young children.

**Do not use alcohol or drugs during water activities** — Never use alcohol or other impairing drugs during water and boating activities or while supervising children around the water.



**PulsePoint** a county-wide, free life-saving mobile app that notifies users when someone nearby is in cardiac arrest and needs immediate help is now available! PulsePoint uses location-based technology to alert community members to a sudden cardiac arrest in their immediate vicinity so they can get to the victim first and start hands-only CPR in those critical, life-saving minutes before first responders are able to arrive. The app only alerts individuals to a cardiac arrest in public locations only. No training is needed and whether or not someone responds is completely optional.

**The free PulsePoint app is available for iPhone and Android. Both PulsePoint and PulsePoint AED are also available for free download at the Apple App Store and on Google Play. For more information, visit Medic One Foundation.**





# Significant Incidents

## Significant Incident Monthly Summary: May 2022

- 1694 Total Incidents (RFA Responses)
- 1 Significant Incidents
- 1 Significant EMS Calls
- 0 Significant Fire Calls
- 0 Significant Special Ops Call
- 18 Significant Malicious False Alarm Calls

### Incident Details:

- On Saturday, May 14th, Renton RFA responded to an EMS call for an accident/other trauma in station 12's area in front of 922 Glennwood Ave NE #8. Renton RFA responded with Renton PD and King County Medic One and 1 aid unit, 1 engine and 1 officer rig for a total of 6 RFA personnel. Renton PD secured the scene and units arrived to find a male in his 40's lying on the ground on the side of the road with a gunshot to his back. E312 established Sunset command and A312 conducted patient care. B311 assumed command and Medic One units arrived on scene. Patient was placed into M5 for transport to Harborview MC. RPD is investigation