



CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF FIJI

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PUBLIC NOTICE - DIWALI FIREWORKS & AVIATION SAFETY

Each Diwali, CAAF receives increased reports of fireworks near airports. Fireworks can endanger aircraft and the lives of people on board.

It is a **criminal offence** under Fiji's Air Navigation Regulations 1981 to aim, fire, or direct fireworks at or towards an aircraft or an airport. Offenders may be prosecuted.

What you must not do:

- Do not aim or direct any fireworks at aircraft or towards any airport.
- Do not use fireworks within 5 km of Nadi and Nausori International Airports.
- Do not use fireworks within 3 km of any other domestic airport.
- Outside these zones, fireworks must not exceed 61 metres (200 ft) above ground level.

Diwali 2025 – Limited times near airports

Within the 5 km / 3 km zones above, fireworks are only permitted at the following times:

- Monday 20 October 2025, 5:00 pm – 12:00 midnight
- Tuesday 21 October 2025, 5:00 pm – 12:00 midnight

These limited permissions apply only if:

- Fireworks stay below 61 m (200 ft) above ground level; and
- The display area is outside the runway approach and take-off paths, by at least 500 m on either side.



Permissions and other permits

- You may apply to CAAF for permission under Regulation 78(2) (conditions will apply).
- A CAAF permission does not replace any permits required by other authorities.

If you see unsafe or illegal fireworks

Report it immediately to the nearest Police Post/Station. Note the location, time, and what you observed.

Questions?

- CAAF Ground Safety Department Email: info@caaf.org.fj
- Tel: 998 4498 / 221 6826

Thank you for helping keep our skies safe.