

Fireworks Photography Cheat Sheet

Essential Settings

- ISO 100
- Aperture f/8
- Shutter 2-10 sec (or Bulb mode)
- Manual focus set to infinity

Must-Haves

- Tripod
- Remote or self-timer
- Extra batteries and memory cards

Quick Tips

- Frame vertically for tall bursts
- Shoot early before smoke builds
- Scout location ahead of time
- Turn off flash
- Leave space at the top of your frame
- Experiment with zoom or defocus effects

Bonus

- If your sky is still bright, use an ND filter to get longer exposures.
- Shoot into the eastern sky (opposite sunset) for darker backgrounds.

HAVE FUN AND HAPPY SHOOTING!