



**Fauquier County**  
**Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Management**  
**Office of the Fire Marshal**  
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**Requirements for Fireworks Display**

1. Application for a Fireworks Display Permit shall be filed with the Office of the Fire Marshal, accompanied with a certificate of liability insurance, with minimum limits. The permit shall be displayed in a conspicuous location at all times.
2. A site plan shall be submitted for approval to the Office of the Fire Marshal a minimum of 14 days prior to any display.
3. Fauquier County follows the guidelines of SFPC 2015 for Aerial displays.
4. Requirement of a notarized letter from the property owner, granting permission for use of property display.
5. There shall be a minimum of one person that is licensed by the State Fire Marshal and listed as a current certified pyro technician on the State Fire Marshals list of Pyro Technicians to shoot and conduct the display at all times. In order to possess, store or purchase class 1.3 fireworks, one must obtain an Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms certification and submit it at the time of application and all other paperwork for Fireworks Display Permit.
6. **NO SMOKING** permitted in area of storage or display site.
7. Vehicles used to transport fireworks shall be placarded in accordance with DOT 49 CFR requirements.
8. The vehicle transporting the fireworks shall not be left unattended at any time while loaded.
9. Requirements of (1) 2A10BC fire extinguisher and (2) water pressure fire extinguishers on site during display.
10. Mortar racks shall be constructed and secured to prevent falling over while in use.
11. Racks shall be inspected prior to use, damaged racks shall not be used.
12. A safe parameter shall be established and secured once fireworks arrive on site.
13. A minimum 100' per inch of shell separation area shall be established prior to display,

3" shell	300	feet safe area
4" shell	400	feet safe area
5" shell	500	feet safe area
6" shell	600	feet safe area
7" shell	700	feet safe area
8" shell	800	feet safe area
9" shell	900	feet safe area
10" shell	1,000	feet safe area

14. The firework display shall be stopped if wind conditions exceed 15 mph.
15. County noise ordinances prohibit fireworks being set off after 10:00 PM (2200hrs).

*The above regulations and requirements shall apply, however should any outstanding hazard occur as a result of the proposed operation, even though the above requirements were met, display of fireworks shall not be permitted.*

For any questions or information requested, please contact The Fauquier County Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Management Fire Marshal's Office  
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm



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TO BE COMPLETED BY INSPECTOR ON DAY OF INSPECTION  
**Inspector's Aerial Display Checklist**

1. Location of display: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Company shooting display: \_\_\_\_\_
3. FPCP onsite: ( Y / N ) Permit# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. Copy of Insurance policy on site: ( Y / N )
5. Letter of permission from property owner: ( Y / N )
6. Personal Protective clothing on site:  
Hard Hat ( Y / N )                      Hearing protection ( Y / N )  
Eye Protection ( Y / N )                Protective clothing ( Y / N )
7. Approved site plan packet on site: ( Y / N )
8. Mortars properly labeled:  
Shell size(s) ( Y / N )                      Shell type(s) ( Y / N )  
Shell fuse minimum of 6" in length ( Y / N )  
Fuse safety cap in place ( Y / N )  
  
Firework manufacturer:  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Shells delivered on site and attended at all times ( Y / N )
10. Delivered shells inspected for damage (tears, leakage, broken fuses, sign of exposure to moisture) ( Y / N )
11. Shell separated into groups of shell sized and salutes ( Y / N )
12. Mortar racks inspected for damage ( Y / N )
13. Mortar racks inspected for proper positioning ( Y / N )
14. Mortar racks secured/anchored properly ( Y / N )
15. Mortar racks inspected for water or debris in tubes ( Y / N )
16. Reloading mortar racks size(s) shall not be mixed ( Y / N )
17. Required fallout area for maximum shell size used (100' per inch of shell ) ( Y / N )

18. Discharge of aerial shells shall not be within 25' of overhead obstructions ( Y / N )
19. Discharge of aerial shells shall not be within separation or safe area of a tent or canvas structure ( Y / N )
20. Vehicles and spectators shall not be located within the separation area ( Y / N )
21. Adequate fire protection provided ( Y / N )
22. Monitor shall be positioned around the perimeters for crowd control ( Y / N )
23. Once mortars are on site, no unescorted public access permitted ( Y / N )
24. Aerial displays shall be postponed immediately if the following exists:  
 Inadequate crowd control \_\_\_\_\_ High winds exceeding 14 MPH \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adverse weather conditions \_\_\_\_\_
25. **NO SMOKING** permitted within 50' of material ( Y / N )
26. Measures taken to prevent exposure of mortars to weather ( Y / N )
27. No person permitted to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol during display ( Y / N )
28. In case of misfire, mortar(s) shall be marked, wait 15 minutes, flood with water, wait 3 minutes then empty mortar tube.
29. After display, fallout area shall be inspected before public is allowed to re-enter the area.
30. Dry grass under ground displays shall be wet down prior to display being fired ( Y / N )
31. Operator(s) (shooters) shall be on State Fire Marshals List? ( Y / N )
32. Operator assistant(s) shall be at least 18 years of age? ( Y / N )

All code requirements are from the 2015 edition of SFPC? ( Y / N )

Date of inspection: \_\_\_\_\_

Weather conditions at time of inspection: \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector: \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby accept full responsibility for the adherence to all requirements of the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code and/or the Fauquier County Open Burning Ordinance pertaining to the above application and checklist.**

**Shooter Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Print** \_\_\_\_\_



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Application for Fireworks Display Permit

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business or Organization Represented: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location of Display: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Display: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Time of Display: \_\_\_\_\_  
Supplier of Fireworks: \_\_\_\_\_  
Transporter of fireworks to location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fireworks storage location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor of Display: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shoot Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

24 Hour Emergency Number (Day): \_\_\_\_\_ (Night): \_\_\_\_\_

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*Must return this application with 3 copies of the following within  
14 days prior to the display date.*

- 1) Site plan showing firing location, shell inventory & size, fallout **area**, location of spectators and location and site of any structures.
- 2) Copier of insurance certificates noting minimum 2 million dollar liability policy.
- 3) Notarized letter of permission from property owner authorizing use of property for the display.
- 4) Federal Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms permit for transportation of explosives.

The applicant agrees to comply with all rules and regulations as set forth in the Fire Prevention Code and shall be held liable legally responsible for any violations of the code.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_