

# <u>AMHERST COUNTY</u> <u>Fireworks Display Permit Application</u>

## **General Information**

Date/ /						
Applicant						
Address			_City			
State	_Zip_		_Phone()			
			Phone()			
Display Information						
Sponsor		_Location of	Display			
Date of Display	/	/				
Display starting time		_a.m./p.m.	EST # Attending			
Display Operator (pyro-technician) "MUST BE 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER"						
Name						
Address			_City			
State	_Zip_		Phone()			

Provide the name and the Virginia certification number of the Pyrotechnic and that will be in charge of the display. Attach a copy of that person's certification card.

Name (Print – Last, First, MI) Cert. Number	Cert. Number

## **Operators, Assistants:**

Name and ages of persons who will be present and assisting with the display (attach additional page if needed):

Name (Print – Last, First, MI) Cert. Number		Age		
Signature of Applicant				
Printed Name of Applicant	_Date	/	/	
Certificate of InsuranceYesNo				
Approved by:				
Signature of Fire Marshal				
Printed Name of Fire Marshal	Date	/	/	

<u>NOTE:</u> It is the responsibility of the Pyro-technician and / or company as well as or the event sponsor to clean all fireworks debris from the display site prior to leaving the display site after the fireworks have been displayed. Please bring rakes or the appropriate equipment to clean the display site.

## **Fireworks Display Permit**

A permit is require for the pyrotechnic display of fireworks within the County of Amherst. The permit is issued by the Department of Public Safety. Application for approval shall be made in writing at least 15 days in advance of the date of the display or discharge of fireworks. The rules and regulations for the pyrotechnic display of fireworks shall be in accordance with NFPA 1123, 1124, and 1126.

The application submittal must include the supporting documentation at follows:

- A certificate of insurance or a bond with a minimum amount of liability insurance of \$1,000,000.
- A complete list of all pyrotechnic devises to be displayed. Displays before proximate audience require the submittal of device and effect descriptions.
- Site plan(s) which detail the firing site and device layout and an overall site plan indicating the location so spectators, the firing site, and fallout perimeter, and fireworks storage area.
- Letter of permission to display fireworks by the property owner,
- Resumes for each pyro-technician to be on-site. This shall include a phot copy
- Arrange for standby fire apparatus for protection down range if needed.

### General Requirements

All fireworks materials and devices shall be transported to the fireworks discharge site in accordance with Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations.

The sponsor of the display shall make provisions for adequate fire protection and emergency medical services for the display.

The sponsor shall provide monitors whose duty shall be to the enforcement of crown control located around the display area.

Monitors shall be posted around the discharge site to prevent spectators or unauthorized persons from entering the display area.

Until the Fire Marshal and exhibitor have completed the post display inspections, the discharge site shall be restricted.

During the period before the display where pyrotechnic materials and devices are present, unescorted public access to the site shall not be permitted.

No smoking shall be allowed within 500 feet of any area where firework or other pyrotechnic materials are present.

#### **General Requirements (continued)**

No person shall be allowed in the discharge area while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, or controlled substances, medication (prescription or non-prescription), that could adversely affect judgement, mobility, or stability.

Prior to placement, mortars shall be inspected carefully for defects. Defective mortars shall not be used.

A minimum of (2) two fire extinguishers with a minimum rating of 2A-40BC shall be located within 50 feet of the discharge site. Pressurized water or pump extinguishers may be substituted for dry chemical fire extinguishers.

Spectators, vehicles, or readily combustible materials shall not be within the fallout area during the display.

Following the display, the firing crew shall conduct an inspection of the fallout area for the purpose of locating any unexploded aerial shells or live components. This inspection shall be conducted before any public access to the site is permitted.

The proper handling and disposal of any unfired shells shall be provided by the operator/ exhibitor.

In the opinion of the Fire Marshal or his designee, or the operator/exhibitor, whenever any hazardous condition exists, the fireworks display shall be postponed until the condition is corrected.

In the opinion of the Fire Marshal or his designee, or the operator/exhibitor, should high winds, precipitation, or other adverse weather conditions prevail such that a significant hazard exists, the fireworks display shall be postponed until weather conditions improve to a reasonable level.

It is the responsibility of the operator/exhibitor and or the sponsor for the cleanup at the discharge site.

The licensed exhibitor/operator shall be responsible for compliance with the provisions under which the fireworks exhibition permit was granted.

In order to assure the Fire Marshal ample time to review the plans and permit application, all documentation shall be submitted no less than 15 days before the date of the event.