



Dallas Fire-Rescue Department Indoor Firework/Pyrotechnic Display Guidelines

This checklist provides **some** of the basic regulations governing the operation of indoor firework/pyrotechnic displays. If you have any questions or concerns, call Dallas Fire-Rescue at 214-670-4319.

1. Submit in writing a plan outlining the proposed use of pyrotechnics. Plans must be submitted a minimum of 15 days prior to the event.
2. Submit a site diagram showing the location of devices and their fallout radius or operating distances in relation to the operators, audience, performers, support personnel, and/or structures.
3. Perform a live demonstration for Dallas Fire-Rescue personnel to evaluate the effect of the display. Pyrotechnic devices fired during a performance must be at least 15 feet from an audience or otherwise must be approved by Dallas Fire-Rescue personnel. Concussion mortars must be at least 25 feet from the audience.
4. Provide a list of types and amounts of firework/pyrotechnic materials. Material safety data sheets (MSDS) must also be included.
5. Provide certification that the set, scenery, and rigging materials are inherently flame-retardant or have been treated to achieve flame retardancy. Dallas Fire-Rescue personnel may also conduct a field test of materials.
6. Provide Proof of Liability Insurance coverage. Coverage is required for all firework/pyrotechnic displays.
7. Obtain a Dallas Fire-Rescue Firework Display Permit prior to the event. A \$405.00 fee is required for the permit. Other fees, such as for storage and transportation, may be required.

A PYROTECHNIC OPERATOR MAINTAINING A STATE OF TEXAS SPECIAL EFFECTS OPERATOR LICENSE MUST PERSONALLY CONDUCT OR SUPERVISE THE DISPLAY.

IF THE APPLICANT MEETS ALL GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENTS, A PERMIT FROM THE CITY OF DALLAS FOR A FIREWORKS DISPLAY WILL BE ISSUED.

FIRE-RESCUE PERSONNEL MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE AT ALL PYROTECHNIC DISPLAYS. FIRE-RESCUE PERSONNEL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO STOP THE USE OF PYROTECHNIC DEVICES DURING A DISPLAY.



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General Requirements:

- Approved fire extinguishers; pressurized water or pump extinguishers shall be available.
- Personnel familiar with the operation of applicable fire extinguishers shall be on-site.
- Provide a lockable room or facility for the preparation and storage of pyrotechnic devices.
- No personnel shall handle or use pyrotechnic materials while under the influence of intoxicating beverages, narcotics, controlled substances, and prescription or nonprescription drugs that can impair judgment.
- No pyrotechnic device shall be left unattended. When loaded, firing systems for pyrotechnics shall not be left unattended.
- Pyrotechnic devices must be in clear view of the pyrotechnic operator or his assistant before being fired.
- Smoking will not be allowed within 25 feet of the area where pyrotechnics are being handled.
- Combustible decorative materials used shall be flame resistant. Treatments used to render materials flame resistant shall be renewed as often as necessary to maintain the materials' flame resistance.
- Interior wall and ceiling finishes shall be in accordance with the City of Dallas Building Code.

ALL APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET BEFORE THE SHOW WILL BE ALLOWED TO BE CONDUCTED.