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Checklist for Outdoor Fireworks or Proximate Audience Exhibition

Permit # _____

Location of Event	
City & County of Exhibition	Date & Time of Exhibition
FD Name	Exhibitor's Name
Exhibitors License Number	Exhibitor's Phone Number

Initialing each step indicates the step has been completed

Fire Official Exhibitor

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1. Was insurance or bond of \$1,000,000.00 or more verified?		
2. Was product purchase verified to be from licensed Ohio Wholesaler, Manufacturer or Out-Of-State Shipper with a shipping permit? License # _____		
3. Has exhibitor identified names of all assistants who will be present? Has exhibitor provided copies of all licenses and permits?		
4. Was the site inspection conducted prior to issuing permit? Date of site inspection: _____		
5. Have locations, distances and details of the site plan been verified for accuracy?		
6. Does the proposed location for temporary storage of fireworks (up to 14 days) comply with this rule?		
7. Is adequate fire protection available?		
8. Does distance to spectator area comply with a minimum of 70 feet per inch of largest shell and/or close proximity separation distances for audiences in accordance with NFPA 1126 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code?		
9. Is the display site selection in accordance with NFPA 1123 (Chapter 5, Site Selection) and/or NFPA 1126 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code?		
10. When the fireworks arrived at the site, were they in a properly placarded vehicle/trailer?		
11. If the show requires reloading of fireworks, are the extra fireworks properly secured in a ready box, 25 feet upwind of the mortars?		
12. Was the condition of mortars check for damage, dents, broken plugs, etc.?		
13. Are all shells greater than or equal to 8" in diameter provided with electronic ignition?		
14. Are the mortars made of approved material, of sufficient strength, length and durability to cause shells to be propelled to safe altitudes?		
15. Are buried mortars installed to comply with NFPA 1123 Section 4.4 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code?		
16. Are mortar racks and/or bundles that are not inherently stable, secured or braced to stabilize them?		
17. Are the racks properly positioned to prevent them from firing towards the spectators?		
18. Are the racks braced in a manner that secures the balance of the mortars should one fail?		
19. Are all security persons and monitors in place and positioned to prevent unauthorized persons in discharge site?		
20. Is smoking or open flame prohibited where fireworks are present?		
21. Have all mortars, mortar racks, bundles, box items, ground displays, cakes and candle placements been examined? Are items not inherently stable secured properly and braced for stability?		
22. Are only the licensed exhibitors and designated registered assistants within the discharge perimeter?		

By signing this form below, I acknowledge that I understand and have followed all the requirements and procedures described in this checklist. To the best of my knowledge, the information included in this document is complete and accurate. Procedures described herein have been followed by myself and all the other properly authorized participants in this exhibition of fireworks.

Fire Chief/Fire Prevention Officer: _____ **Date:** _____

Ohio Licensed Exhibitor: _____ **Date:** _____

Provide completed copy of form to the following: Exhibitor, Fire Chief/Fire Prevention Officer, Law Enforcement Officer and State Fire Marshal

Code References

1. In accordance with division (D) of Section 3743.54 of the Revised Code.
2. In accordance with division (A) of Section 3743.54 of the Revised Code.
3. In accordance with paragraph (H)(7)(5608.7) of this rule.
4. In accordance with division (C) of Section 3743.54 of the Revised Code.
5. In accordance with paragraph (H)(4)(5608.4) of this rule.
6. In accordance with paragraph (H)(7)(5608.7) and paragraph (J)(1)(5610.1) of this rule.
7. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 8.1 and 8.1.1 and NFPA 1126 Section 8.1 and A.8.1.6.1 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
8. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 5.1.3.1 and NFPA 1126 Section 8.4 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
9. In accordance with paragraph (H)(4)(5608.4) of this rule and NFPA 1123 Table 5.1.3.1 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
10. In accordance with paragraph (I)(1)(5609.1) of this rule.
11. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 4.2.4.3 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
12. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 4.3.1.1 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
13. In accordance with division (C) of section 3743.53 of the Revised Code.
14. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 4.3.7 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
15. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 4.4 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
16. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 4.5.5 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code and paragraph (H)(10)(b)(5608.10.2) of this rule.
17. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 5.2.1.3.1 and Section 4.3.2 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
18. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 4.6.1 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
19. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 8.1.2.1 and NFPA 1126 Section 8.2.6 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
20. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 8.1.6.1 and NFPA 1126 Section 8.5.5 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code.
21. In accordance with NFPA 1123 Section 4.5.5 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code and paragraph (H)(10)(b)(5608.10.2) of this rule.
 - Inspector should do a complete walk through with the licensed exhibitor to address each item to ensure the integrity of each item and that each item cannot fall over or be repositioned.
22. In accordance with paragraph (H)(10)(c)(5608.10.3) of this rule.

NFPA 1123-2011 Edition; NFPA 1126-2011 Edition

Additional Requirements

- Both the fire official and licensed exhibitor should mutually agree in advance on a method used to communicate during the exhibition. Agreement should also be made in advance pertaining to the exact location the fire official will be stationed to maintain safety for all involved.
- If a condition arises requiring the entry of fire protection or other emergency response personnel into the fallout area security perimeter, the display shall be halted until the situation is resolved.
- If a significant hazard exists due to weather, lack of crowd control, or other condition, the exhibition shall be halted until resolved.
- The security of the display site shall be maintained until released by the exhibitor.
- Check with the safety person and monitors for any signs of problems.
- Allow registered assistants to enter the area and attend to extinguishing fires, smoldering embers and debris in the fire area and fallout area.
- Before entering the area, wait a minimum period of time that the exhibitor deems necessary, to include letting the area cool with resulting inspection by fireworks crew.
- Confer with the licensed exhibitor and, if mutually agreed, release fire crew and equipment from the scene. Do not release security or monitors. Maintain barricades for area until spectators have left.
- Be sure all live product and duds are properly repackaged and secured into the vehicle. Replace placards on vehicle.
- Where fireworks are displayed at night, appropriate morning reinspection of the site should be mutually agreed to.

The completed permit application and completed checklist constitute final approval by the AHJ. These forms shall be submitted to the State Fire Marshal's office by the fire official no later than **five** days after the date of exhibition. Please return to:

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This checklist is not a substitute to reviewing and complying with Chapter 3743. of the Revised Code, Ohio Fire Code 1301:7-7-56, NFPA 1123, NFPA 1124 and NFPA 1126 as listed in rule 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code as it relates to Fireworks Exhibitions.

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