

SPRING HILL FIRE RESCUE and EMS DISTRICT Fireworks Tent Permitting Requirements

The following requirements shall be adhered to for all submissions for fireworks tent permits.

Applicant must meet the requirements of NFPA 1124: National Fireworks Code, 2006 ed., including Chapter 7 "Retail Sales of Consumer Fireworks." Please reflect all conditions on your site drawing for submission.

1. Tent dimensions must be on site plan. Fire Department as AHJ (Authority Having Jurisdiction) will measure installed tent.
2. Minimum of 2 properly inspected fire extinguishers meeting State of Florida requirements to be mounted at exits. All extinguishers must be a minimum of 2A with one being a pressurized water type (PW). Where electric power is used one of the two extinguishers shall be an all purpose dry chemical powder (minimum of 2A10BC).
3. AHJ requires a minimum of two exits at all times that retail sales area is open (minimum of 44 inches wide). Based upon size of tent additional exits may be required.
4. Exits to be located so travel distance is no more than 35 feet from any exit.
5. All exits are required to have lighted exit signs when sales are conducted after dusk.
6. Emergency lighting is required in all tents open for sales after dusk.
7. All electric wiring to comply with NFPA 70 Article 305. All devices installed, either battery or electric, must be UL listed.
8. All sales aisles must be 48 inches wide.
9. Unless previously allowed by special circumstances (court order), no fire works sales are allowed on a grassy area. All tents to be installed on a paved surface.
10. Area within 30 feet of the tent shall be cut back to 30 feet on all sides of dry grass, dry brush, etc.
11. No parking is allowed within 10 feet of a fireworks tent.
12. No smoking signs shall be installed on all 4 sides (Authority Having Jurisdiction, AHJ).
13. Signs shall be located on all 4 sides of the tent that state "NO FIREWORKS DISCHARGED WITHIN 300 FEET." Such signs shall have letters 4 inches high on contrasting background.
14. A Flame break must be installed where displays run more than 16 feet of linear distance, measured along the length of the display. Minimum 44 inch break.
15. Portable generators used to supply electricity must use only Class II or Class III fuel. Generators to be located not less than 20 feet to the tent structure. Generator fuel tank limited to 5 gallons.
16. A generator using Class I fuel limited to 2 gallon tank.
17. Any generator located more than 50 feet from the structure has no fuel limit.
18. No cooking within 20 feet of the tent structure. No open flames for cooking allowed within 50 feet.
19. All employees (personnel) assigned to the consumer fireworks sales or handling shall be given safety training.
20. Type of training and documentation of training must be posted. Have employees (personnel) sign that all requirements for permits have been read and are understood, and that fire extinguisher training has been provided. All employers/supervisors will sign the same checklist.