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Fire Permit

LOW HAZARD (FIRE WORKS) FIRE PERMIT

PART 1

Permit Number: _____

ISSUED TO:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Landowner: YES NO

DESCRIPTION AND QUANTITY OF FIRE:

Fire Works Display (Low Hazard) (July1, 2019)

DISPLAY INFORMATION (Required):

Location of Display (Rural Address): _____

Display Date: Approved (if signed and completed) _____

Time: _____

Legal Land Description: _____

Property Owner: _____

Property Owner Contact Phone #: _____

Signature of Property Owner: _____

(Not valid without property owner signature)

Name of Permit Holder: _____

(Please print)

Permit Holder Signature: _____

****please complete reverse side of this permit***

County Fire Services Representative: Sturgeon County

(Please Print)

PART 2

Checklist

****must be completed at time of purchase****

- Are you over 18 years of age? Yes _____ No _____
- Has your neighbours been informed of the exact date/time of the burn? Yes _____ No _____
- Has written permission been obtained from the landowner at the discharge site? Yes _____ No _____
- Has written permission been obtained from the landowner(s) or occupant(s) of adjacent lands on which debris might reasonably fall? Yes _____ No _____
- Has the Fire Department/Sturgeon County been contacted and informed of date and time (exact of the event)? Yes _____ No _____
- Has Sandy Beach been informed of the planned fireworks and provided with copies of the landowners / adjacent landowners consent? Yes _____ No _____
- Has the discharge site been cleared of dry grass and / or combustible materials and entire discharge area thoroughly wet down? Yes _____ No _____
- Is there a portable fire extinguisher, having a rating of not less than 2A in the immediate discharge area? Yes _____ No _____

If you have answered NO to any of the aforementioned questions, you will be in contravention of the Alberta Fire Code 2006.

The following conditions apply:

- Winds must be less than 15km per hour.
- Sufficient tools, equipment and quantities of water readily available for the size of the burn being conducted
- You must obtain a fire permit and adhere to all of its conditions.
- Take precautions to ensure the fireworks is under control at all times.
- You are responsible for conducting a fire that is safe.
- You must attend your fireworks at all times.
- Smoke must not impair visibility on a roadway or highway
- Consideration must be given to neighbours to avoid physical discomfort.
- Please ensure your fireworks is completely extinguished.
- Fire permits may be withdrawn if environmental conditions change.
- Fire permits will not be issued when a County-wide fire ban is in effect.
- Sufficient fire suppression support must be available at all times.
- Please note that call outs from Sturgeon County by you or other residents will have a minimum charge of \$1,220, which will be added to the tax roll upon receipt and payment.
- THEY MUST BE INFORMED PRIOR TO THE PLANNED fireworks event as well as your NEIGHBOURS
- **Applicants MUST confirm Insurance Coverage for planned activities and all manufacturers operational instructions must be followed****

PART 3

- I have read and understand **PART 1** and **PART 2** of this permit application. I agree to comply with all conditions of this permit and understand that I will be held responsible for any contravention of Section 5.7 of the *Alberta Fire Code*.

Print name of Owner/Applicant and Responsible Adult

Signature of Owner/Applicant and Responsible Adult (**MUST BE SIGNED**)

Date

(PRINT)

CONDITIONS:

Excerpts from the Alberta Fire Code 2006

Section 5.7. Fireworks

5.7.1 Fireworks

A-5.7.1 Municipalities have the authority to regulate fireworks within their jurisdiction under the Municipal Government Act. Municipalities can use the Municipal Government Act to establish a fireworks permit bylaw allowing the municipality to permit fireworks. A fireworks permit bylaw established by a municipality may have provisions that include or exclude any activity involving fireworks.

5.7.1.1 Application

- 1) Except as permitted by Sentence (2), this Section shall apply to the sale and discharge of *fireworks* and pyrotechnic devices.
- 2) This Section shall not apply to a person who possesses or discharges *fireworks* commonly used as distress flares.

5.7.1.2. Manufacture, Importation, and Transportation

- 1) The manufacture and importation of *fireworks* shall be in conformance with the “Explosives Act” and its Regulations, published by Natural Resources Canada.
- 2) The transportation of *fireworks* shall be in conformance with the “Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act” and its Regulations.

5.7.1.3. Discharge

- 1) Except as permitted in Clause 5.7.1.7.(1)(b), no person shall discharge, fire or set off *fireworks* from, on or over
 - a) public land as defined in the Public Lands Act, or
 - b) a forest protection area designated under the Forest and Prairie Protection Act.

5.7.1.7. Written Permission

A-5.7.1.7. Due to the fact that fireworks can be purchased in one municipality and discharged in another, individuals must ensure that written permission is obtained from all of the appropriate authorities if this is the case.

- 1) No person shall
 - a) purchase, possess, handle, discharge, fire or set off *fireworks* unless written permission issued by the fire department for that purpose has been obtained, or
 - b) discharge, fire or set off *fireworks* in a forest protection area unless written permission issued by a *forest officer* for that purpose has been obtained.
- 2) Written permission issued under Sentence (1)
 - a) shall specify the date, time and location on which the *fireworks* are to be discharged, and considers necessary to ensure the safe use of the *fireworks*.
- 3) Permission shall not be granted under this Section in respect to *high-hazard fireworks* unless the applicant possesses a *fireworks* supervisor card issued pursuant to the “Explosives Act” and its Regulations, published by Natural Resources Canada.

5.7.1.9. Age Requirement

- 1) No person who is under 18 years of age shall purchase, possess, handle, discharge, fire or set off *fireworks*.

5.7.1.10. Discharging

- 1) *Fireworks* from which a projectile is discharged shall be set up in such a manner so that when ignited the projectile will go into the air in a vertical direction not more than 15° off the perpendicular.
- 2) Where ground level *fireworks* are discharged
 - a) they shall be positioned out of the firing range of aerial *fireworks* and in a location where there is no dry grass or combustible material on the ground beneath them, and
 - b) the area shall be thoroughly wet down immediately before the *fireworks* are discharged.
- 3) A portable extinguisher having a rating of not less than 2-A shall be provided and kept in the immediate discharge area.

3.2.10. Indoor Storage of Fireworks

3.2.10.1. Application

- 1) Except as permitted in Sentence (2), this Subsection shall apply to the indoor storage of Fireworks.
- 2) This Subsection shall not apply to the storage of Fireworks commonly used as distress flares.

3.2.10.2 Dwelling Units

- 1) *High Hazard Fireworks* shall not be stored in a dwelling unit.
- 2) Not more than 10kg gross weight of *Low Hazard Fireworks* obtained in accordance with Part 5 shall be stored in a dwelling unit.
- 3) If *Low Hazard Fireworks* are stored in a dwelling unit, they shall be stored
 - a) in a secure container,
 - b) in a cool, dry area, and
 - c) away from
 - i) an open flame,
 - ii) excessive heat, or
 - iii) spark-producing equipment or tools.

3.2.10.5. Low Hazard Storage

- 1) *Low Hazard Fireworks* that are displayed for sale shall be
 - a) in lots that do not exceed 25kg each gross weight,
 - b) in a package, glass case or other suitable receptacle away from flammable or combustible substances, and
 - c) in a place that is not exposed to direct or refracted sunlight or excessive heat.
- 2) Where *Low Hazard Fireworks* that exceed 25kg gross weight are stored, they shall be in a container meeting the requirements of the “Explosives Act” and its Regulations, published by Natural Resources Canada.
- 3) Where *Low Hazard Fireworks* that exceed 100kg gross weight are stored, they shall be stored in a separate store or warehouse meeting the requirements of the “Explosives Act” and its Regulations, published by Natural Resources Canada.