

Fireworks Permits Minimal Requirements

Listed below are some of the requirements for obtaining a fireworks permit in Blue Earth County.

- The operator must be at least 21 years of age and be a licensed pyrotechnic.
- The application must be submitted at least 15 days prior to the event.
- State law prohibits private individuals from sponsoring fireworks displays. Examples of organizations that ARE eligible would be: a city, fair association, or public or private organizations.
- You must submit to the County:
 1. Completed application
 2. \$25.00 permit fee
 3. Map of the grounds where the fireworks will be displayed
 4. A \$1,000,000 certificate of Insurance with Blue Earth County listed as the certificate holder– can be faxed to 507-304-4344

Note: Once the above has been submitted, the County will obtain the Sheriff's approval.

Please contact Stephanie Jahnke with questions:

507.304.4491

or

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or

County Administration

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Minnesota Fireworks Laws

CONSUMER FIREWORKS

<i>Specifically Permitted</i>	Wire or wood sparklers of not more than 100 grams of pyrotechnic composition per item. Ground-based sparkling devices which are non-explosive and non aerial, and contain 75 grams or less of chemical mixture per tube or a total of 200 grams or less for multiple tube items and include: fountains, cones, illuminating torches, wheels, ground spinners, flitter sparklers, flash / strobes, and novelty devices including snakes, glow worms, trick noisemakers, party poppers, and snappers.
<i>Specifically Prohibited</i>	Firecrackers, torpedoes, missiles, skyrockets, bottle rockets, roman candles, daygo bombs, mines and shells, chasers, and parachutes.
<i>Selling Period</i>	No restrictions on time of year for sale, possession, or use.
<i>Age of Purchase</i>	18 years

DISPLAY FIREWORKS

<i>Display Permit</i>	Apply to municipal clerk in the municipality where the display will take place at least 15 days before date of display or county auditor if display will take place outside a city.
<i>Insurance</i>	Required, in amount deemed adequate by fire chief.
<i>Operator</i>	Must be state certified by written exam from State Fire Marshal and proof of experience.

MANUFACTURE, STORAGE, TRANSPORTATION

State and local permits required to manufacture.

SALE, POSSESSION AND USE OF FIREWORKS

Prohibited except as otherwise provided in Sec. 624.20 to 624.25.

ENFORCING AUTHORITY

State of Minnesota
Department of Public Safety
Division of State Fire Marshal
444 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55101
651-215-0500
www.fire.state.mn.us

LAW NUMBER

MN Statutes 624.20 et seq.
2003 MN State Fire Code, Chapter 33

