

# Application for the Discharge of Consumer Fireworks



## Proposed Permit Holder Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsoring Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

By checking this box I confirm that I am at least 18 years old.

## Event Information

Purpose of Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Discharge Method: \_\_\_\_\_  
Disposal Method: \_\_\_\_\_

## Types and Number of Fireworks to be Discharged

## Property Owner's Approval

Property owner must provide written consent to the discharge of Consumer Fireworks.

Name of Property Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Property Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## Attach to this Application

- a) List of names and contact information of all persons proposed to discharge Fireworks;
- b) Site plan of the location to this Application, including a description of the method of restraining unauthorized persons from attending too near to the discharge site; and
- c) List of proposed procedures to be followed in the event of an emergency;

## Indemnity – Please Note:

No responsibility or liability shall be attributed to the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie with respect to the discharge of Consumer Fireworks as requested in this Application. The Permit Holder shall indemnify and save harmless the City of Sault Ste. Marie from all costs and expenses caused to or incurred by the City of Sault Ste. Marie and from all claims and demands, awards, losses, costs, damages, actions, suits or other proceedings, by whomsoever made, brought or prosecuted, in any manner based upon, arising out of or connected with the performance of the Permit Holder with or without negligence on the part of the Permit Holder, the Permit Holder's employees, directors, contractors, agents and assigns.

## Proposed Permit Holder's Signature

By signing this form, you are representing that the information contained herein is true and accurate and you are agreeing to the terms set out herein, including the indemnity above. You must also comply with the terms and conditions set out in By-Law 2013-146.

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For Office Use Only – to be completed by Chief Fire Official or Designate

- Denied
- Approved by the Chief Fire Official
- Approved by the Chief Fire Official with the following additional conditions:

Signature of Chief Fire Official or Designate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Natural Resources Canada

### Consumer Fireworks Safety

Consumer Fireworks are not toys. Consumer Fireworks are, in fact, powerful pyrotechnic articles and, for this reason, both their sale and purchase are restricted. The Explosives Regulatory Division of Natural Resources Canada routinely tests fireworks and approves those that are safe to transport, store, handle, and use.

To ensure a fun but safe family fireworks display, it is important that the simple safety procedures outlined below are followed.

#### 1. Use Fireworks Outdoors

Never use Fireworks indoors; they are designed for outdoor use only.

#### 2. Choose A Clear, Open Area

- Always use Fireworks in an open area away from buildings, vehicles, overhead obstructions, and dry brush/grass (which could catch fire).
- A minimum clear area of 30 m by 30 m for aerial family fireworks, such as Roman Candles, and 20 m by 20 m for fountains and other ground-based items is recommended.

#### 3. Check for Wind

Check wind direction and speed; Fireworks should be lit with the prevailing wind blowing away from spectators and closest dwelling. Don't set off aerial Fireworks in strong winds.

#### 4. Have Water Nearby

Keep a charged hose or bucket filled with water close by in case of a malfunction or fire.

#### 5. Read All Instructions

Carefully read all the instructions for each Firework ahead of time.

#### 6. Use Ground-Based Fireworks on a Hard Surface

Always light ground-based Fireworks (fountains, mines) on a hard, flat, and level surface to ensure stability of the item. Grass is typically not suitable, and a wood or equivalent base is recommended to ensure stability.

#### 7. Bury Aerial Fireworks

For aerial fireworks (Roman Candles), bury (do not pile) the device to half its length in the ground or in a large pail or box filled with earth or sand.

#### 8. Keep Spectators Safe

Keep all spectators at least 20 m away from the location where articles are functioned.

#### 9. Use Proper Eye Protection And Wear Proper Clothing

- Protect your eyes with safety glasses or safety goggles. Regular prescription glasses or sunglasses provide little or no protection and may actually contribute to an injury.
- Wear non-flammable clothing such as cotton; never wear synthetic fibre clothing (nylon, polyester) when firing.

#### 10. Keep Children Away From Fireworks

Never let children handle, play with or fire Fireworks under any circumstances. Even sparklers, which are considered by many as "safe" fireworks for children, burn at very high temperatures and can easily ignite clothing and burn flesh. In addition, they project sparks that can easily cause eye injuries.

#### 11. Use Care When Handling Fireworks

Take care when handling Fireworks to prevent dropping them. Do not carry Fireworks in your pockets. Never smoke when handling Fireworks.

#### 12. Use Care When Firing Fireworks

- When lighting, never put any part of your body or head over the Firework; never hold them or insert them into other means of containment such as pipes; and never point or throw them at people or other sensitive/flammable targets.
- During a Fireworks show, store the unused Fireworks away from the firing area and keep them covered to prevent stray sparks from prematurely setting them off.

#### 13. Duds or Misfires

Never attempt to re-light Fireworks that have misfired (duds). Wait 30 minutes and then place them in a bucket of water.

#### 14. Clean-Up After the Show

Wait 30 minutes after the display has finished. Check the firing area for duds, clean up all debris, and check it again the next morning.