



Emmett Township Fireworks Application Packet

Must be Submitted 30 Days Prior to Display Date

Please Find Enclosed in this Packet The Following Items

- Emmett Township Fireworks Display Permit Application – **Must be filed to the township for Consumer Fireworks Displays conducted on NON Federal Holidays.**
- State of Michigan Fireworks Display Permit – **Must be filed to the township in addition to a Township Fireworks Permit for any Display Fireworks or “Articles of Pyrotechnics” - *Professional Grade Fireworks. Or when performing ANY display on a Non Federal Holiday.***
- Fireworks Types and Definitions Sheet
- Copy of the Emmett Township Fireworks Ordinance
- Example Sheet of LEGAL **Consumer** Fireworks in Michigan
- Fireworks Questions and Answer Info from State of Michigan (LARA) on fireworks regulations for display of and sales of fireworks in Michigan.
- Listing of “National Holidays” Defined by MCL 28.457 in USC 6103

This Permit is required for ALL fireworks display requests on Non Federal holidays, or if conducting a Public Display or Using Professional Grade Fireworks or Articles of Pyrotechnics regardless of holiday. Personal use of Consumer Grade Fireworks on day before, day of or day after a National Holiday DOES NOT require a permit.



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Fireworks Display Application

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The undersigned organization or group hereby applies to the Emmett Township Board for a permit to publicly display fireworks. We guarantee that the display will be conducted by a qualified person under our immediate supervision in adequate open space. A certificate of comprehensive general or personal liability insurance for a least \$1,000,000, protecting the applicant against property or personal injury damages during the display and naming the Charter Township of Emmett, its agents, officials, and employees as additionally insured parties MUST be ATTACHED to the application with the proper site plan.

Location of the display: _____
(*Location may not be changed after approved by Public Safety Director)

Date of Display: _____

Name of Operator _____

Name, Address and Phone of applicants:

I, THE UNDERSIGNED APPLICANT, HEREBY SWEAR THAT ALL OF THE STATEMENTS, ANSWERS AND INFORMATION I HAVE PROVIDED IN OR AS PART OF THIS APPLICATION ARE TRUE, ACCURATE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. AND I UNDERSTAND AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ANY FALSEHOODS OR MISREPRESENTATIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH STATEMENTS, ANSWERS OR INFORMATION CAN, AMONG OTHER THINGS, BE THE CAUSE OF A DENIAL OF THE REQUESTED LICENSE AND CAUSE FOR THE REVOATION OF ANY LICENSE ISSUED TO THE APPLICANT.

Signature of Applicant

Public Safety Director

Township Clerk

Date: _____

Date: _____

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SITE PLAN

A site plan of the area where the event is to be conducted shall be submitted with the application. The site plan shall set forth all structures in the area and the discharge site fallout area. The site plan shall furthermore set forth the distance separating the mortars used to launch the fireworks and the structures and also set forth the distance separating the mortars and the spectators viewing the display.

Clerk Use Only

Date Received: _____

Non-Refundable Application Fee \$100.00 Paid

Report Sent to Public Safety: _____

Report Received from Public Safety: _____

Date of Board Action: _____

Final Action: Approved Denied

Insurance Binder Attached: Public Safety Director or Designee Signature: _____



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Fireworks Types Definitions

“Articles Pyrotechnic” mean pyrotechnic devices for professional use that are similar to consumer fireworks in chemical composition and construction but not intended for consumer use, that meet the weight limits for consumer fireworks but are not labeled as such, and that are classified as UN0431 or UN0432 under 49 CFR 172.101.

“Consumer Fireworks” means fireworks devices that are designed to produce visible effects by combustion, that are regulated to comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States consumer product safety commission under 16 CFR parts 1500 and 1507, and that are listed in APA standard 87-1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, or 3.5. Examples include, but are not limited to aerials, roman candles, bottle rockets, firecrackers, helicopter/aerial spinners, re-loadable shell devices, missile-type devices, single tube devices with report and other items that leave the ground. Consumer fireworks do not include low-impact fireworks.

“Display Fireworks” means large fireworks devices and explosive materials intended for use in fireworks displays and designed to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation, as provided in 27 CFR 555.11, 49 CFR 172, and APA standard 87-1, 4.1.

"Firework" or "fireworks" means any composition or device, except for a starting pistol, a flare gun, or a flare, designed for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation. Fireworks consist of consumer fireworks, low-impact fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, display fireworks, and special effects.

“Low Impact Fireworks” means any ground-based and some handheld sparkling devices as that phrase is defined under APA standard 87-1, 3.1, 3.1.1.1 to 3.1.1.8, and 3.5.

“Novelty fireworks” mean that term as defined under APA standard 87-1, 3.2, 3.2.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.2.4, and 3.2.5 and all of the following:

- (i) Toy plastic or paper caps for toy pistols in sheets, strips, rolls, or individual caps containing not more than .25 of a grain of explosive content per cap, in packages labeled to indicate the maximum explosive content per cap.
- (ii) Toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes, toy trick noisemakers, and toy guns in which toy caps as described in subparagraph (i) are used, that are constructed so that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, and that are designed to break apart or be separated so as to form a missile by the explosion.
- (iii) Flitter sparklers in paper tubes not exceeding 1/8 inch in diameter.

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- (iv) Toy snakes not containing mercury, if packed in cardboard boxes with not more than 12 pieces per box for retail sale and if the manufacturer's name and the quantity contained in each box are printed on the box; and toy smoke devices.

“Special Effects” means a combination of chemical elements or chemical compounds capable of burning independently of the oxygen of the atmosphere and designed and intended to produce an audible, visual, mechanical, or thermal effect as an integral part of a motion picture, radio, television, theatrical, or opera production or live entertainment.

(MCL 28.457) "National holidays" are those defined in 5 USC 6103:

- New Year's Day, January 1st
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the third Monday in January
- Washington's Birthday, the third Monday in February
- Memorial Day, the last Monday in May
- Independence Day, July 4th
- Labor Day, the first Monday in September
- Columbus Day, the second Monday in October
- Veterans Day, November 11th
- Thanksgiving Day, the fourth Thursday in November
- Christmas Day, December 25th

A Permit is NOT required for the display of “CONSUMER and LOW IMPACT Fireworks on the Day Before, the Day Of and the Day After the above National Holidays. HOWEVER Local Township Ordinance DOES regulate the TIMES fireworks may be displayed. Check with the Township for any time restrictions that have been put in place by the Board.

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RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF FIRE SERVICES
RICHARD W. MILLER
STATE FIRE MARSHAL

MIKE ZIMMER
DIRECTOR

Frequently Asked Questions Fireworks General

1. Question: What types of fireworks are legal in the State of Michigan?

Answer: Effective January 1, 2012, the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, PA 256 of 2011 allows the sale and use of consumer fireworks [Examples of legal fireworks](#).

- a) Consumer fireworks, referred to as 1.4G would include: roman candles, bottle rockets and other items that leave the ground. For reference, please see American Pyrotechnics Association (APA) standard 87.1, 2001 Edition: [APA Standard](#).
- b) Novelty items such as sparklers, snakes, snaps and poppers remain legal for sale and use. Novelty fireworks are not regulated under the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act.
- c) Low Impact Fireworks such as ground sparkling devices, ground based or handheld sparklers also remain legal for sale and use in Michigan. Per PA 256 of 2011, [Section 28.456](#) requires a low impact registration be filed with the Bureau of Fire Services. To register for low impact fireworks please see the [fireworks low impact registration](#) link.
- d) Display fireworks, typically referred to as 1.3G, are large and explosive items typically used for public display and are locally permitted for use by professionals. They are not regulated by the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA).

2. Question: Who may not buy or use consumer fireworks?

Answer: According to the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act PA 256 of 2011, [Section 28.462](#):

- a) Prohibits the sale of consumer fireworks to a minor (anyone under the age of 18).
- b) Prohibits the use of consumer fireworks by anyone who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- c) Fireworks may not be used on public, school, or private property of another person unless express permission is obtained to use the fireworks on that property.

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3. Question: How long is the consumer fireworks certificate valid for?

Answer: A consumer fireworks certificate is valid from the date of issuance through April 30th of the following year. A retailer must apply annually and meet all statutory requirements. Guidelines for application process can be found at: [Michigan consumer fireworks certificate and low impact registry application and guidelines](#).

4. Question: What is a fireworks safety fee and how is it collected?

Answer: Per PA 256 of 2011, [Section 28.460](#) the fireworks safety fee is a 6% safety fee collected by the retailer at the time of sales in addition to the 6% sales tax on both consumer and low-impact fireworks. Fire safety fees must be paid to the Bureau of Fire Services and sales tax must be paid to the Department of Treasury.

- a) [Fireworks safety fees](#) are due no later than 20 days after the end of every preceding month. Payments for [fireworks safety fees](#) can be submitted online or by mail.
- b) If you are not selling fireworks every month you are still **required** to submit a fireworks safety fee monthly report that indicates zero sales.
- c) Applications will be denied if all sales reports from the previous year have not been submitted. This requirement starts during the month of issuance of the certificate and continues until April 30 of the following year or until a [Fireworks Written Notice of Cancellation Request, BFS-408](#) is submitted.
- d) A [Fireworks Written Notice of Cancellation Request, BFS-408](#) may be submitted. After the cancellation request is submitted, safety fee reporting is no longer required beginning the following month. **Note:** *Reversal of the cancellation is not permitted*; a new application must be made if you want to sell at the same location again.

5. Question: What if I only want to sell novelty fireworks like sparklers, snakes, snaps and poppers?

Answer: PA 256 of 2011 doesn't apply to novelties. Novelty fireworks may be sold without being registered or obtaining a certificate.

6. Question: What if I only want to sell low impact fireworks like sparkling wheel devices and ground sparkling devices?

Answer: Per PA 256 of 2011, [Section 28.456](#), the act requires that any retailer selling low-impact fireworks in the State of Michigan:

- a) [Register online](#) each calendar year not less than ten days before the low-impact fireworks are sold.
- b) The low impact retailer must collect the 6% fireworks safety fee and remit those fees to the Bureau of Fire Services 20 days after the end of each month.

- c) If you are not selling low impact fireworks every month you are still **required** to submit a fireworks safety fee monthly report that indicates zero sales.
- d) This requirement is valid starting during the month of registry and ending on December 31 of the same year.
- e) In order to sell low impact fireworks the following year, the retailer must re-register.

7. Question: I have a display fireworks business; do I have to apply for a fireworks certificate with the Bureau of Fire Services?

Answer: No. All permits issued for the discharge of display fireworks are obtained from the local unit of government, jurisdiction or municipality where the fireworks are being displayed. Fees, if any, charged for these permits are retained by that local jurisdiction.

8. Question: Where does the city, township or village obtain display fireworks permit forms?

Answer: Each year the supervisor or clerk from the local unit of government, jurisdiction or municipality will have to contact the Bureau of Fire Services at fireworks@michigan.gov to request the forms. These forms will **not** be distributed to any individual other than a supervisor or clerk from a local unit of government, jurisdiction or municipality.

9. Question: What do I need to do if I want a display permit for my township?

Answer: You must contact your local unit of government, jurisdiction or municipality and ask for the fireworks display permit form. If local unit of government, jurisdiction or municipality does not have the form, that office must contact the Bureau of Fire Services at fireworks@michigan.gov to request copies of the forms.

10. Question: Where can I find more detailed information about fireworks products and safety?

Answer: Please visit the following websites:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/info/fireworks/recalls.html>
http://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/APA_STAND_87-01_378370_7.pdf?20141121095249

11. Question: Who do I contact if I have more questions?

Answer:

- a) You may refer to the Bureau of Fire Services website at www.michigan.gov/bfs for information related to fireworks.

- b) You may call the Bureau of Fire Services at 517-241-8847 or 517-373-7441 or by facsimile at 517-332-1427.
- c) You may email fireworks@michigan.gov. **Note:** Email is the preferred method of contact during the fireworks season (April – September) due to the high demand on staff. Emails will be responded to promptly within one business day.

12. Question: How can I find out who has a certificate?

Answer: There are online search tools provided on our website which will allow you to search for [consumer fireworks certificates](#) and [low impact fireworks registration](#).



EMMETT CHARTER TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES - ARTICLE IX. - FIREWORKS

FOOTNOTE(S):

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Editor's note— Ord. No. 8-2013, § 2, adopted Aug. 8, 2013, repealed Ord. No. 1-2012, adopted Nov. 8, 2012. Ord. No. 1-2012 did not expressly amend the Code and was not codified prior to repeal, but pertained to similar subject matter as set out herein by § 1 of Ord. No. 8-2013.

Sec. 38-301. - Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to establish a safe environment for the use or discharge of fireworks and to regulate the public health, safety and general welfare of the persons and property, in particular to ensure protection of the viewing public and the property owners surrounding the discharge site of the fireworks.

(Ord. No. 8-2013, § 1, 8-8-2013)

Sec. 38-302. - Definitions.

As used in this article, the following words and phrases have the meanings set forth herein:

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- (2) Toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes, toy trick noisemakers, and toy guns in which toy caps as described in subsection (1) of this section are used, that are constructed so that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, and that are designed to break apart or be separated so as to form a missile by the explosion.
- (3) Flitter sparklers in paper tubes not exceeding 1/8 inch in diameter.
- (4) Toy snakes not containing mercury, if packed in cardboard boxes with not more than 12 pieces per box for retail sale and if the manufacturer's name and the quantity contained in each box are printed on the box; and toy smoke devices.

Person means an individual, agent, association, charitable organization, company, limited liability company, corporation, labor organization, legal representative, partnership, unincorporated organization, or any other legal commercial entity.

Special effects means a combination of chemical elements or chemical compounds capable of burning independently of the oxygen of the atmosphere and designed and intended to produce an audible, visual, mechanical, or thermal effect as an integral part of a motion picture, radio, television, theatrical, or opera production or live entertainment.

Use of fireworks means the ignition, discharge, and use of fireworks.

For purposes of this article, *federal holidays* are defined as:

- (1) New Year's Day (January 1).
- (2) Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. (Third Monday in January).
- (3) Washington's Birthday (Third Monday in February).
- (4) Memorial Day (Last Monday in May).
- (5) Independence Day (July 4).
- (6) Labor Day (First Monday in September).
- (7) Columbus Day (Second Monday in October).
- (8) Veteran's Day (November 11).
- (9) Thanksgiving Day (Fourth Thursday in November).
- (10) Christmas Day (December 25).

(Ord. No. 8-2013, § 1, 8-8-2013)

Sec. 38-303. - General prohibition on ignition, discharge and use of consumer fireworks.

No person shall ignite, discharge or use fireworks within the Township of Emmett at any time, except that:

- (a) Fireworks may be discharged in strict compliance with any permit issued by the township in accordance with the Act and this article.
- (b) The use of consumer fireworks is permitted the day before, the day of, and the day after a federal holiday; provided, however, that the ignition, discharge, or use of consumer fireworks is prohibited on these days between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.
- (c) The use of low-impact fireworks will be permitted yearround.



(Ord. No. 8-2013, § 1, 8-8-2013)

Sec. 38-304. - Additional prohibitions.

- (a) Consumer fireworks shall not be ignited, discharged, or used from any of the following locations without the owner or the legal representative's express written permission:
 - (1) On public property, including streets and rights-of-way; or
 - (3) On church property; or
 - (4) From the property of another person.
- (b) Consumer fireworks shall not be ignited, discharged, or used by a person under the influence of alcoholic liquor or a controlled substance or a combination of both.
- (c) Low-impact fireworks shall not be ignited, discharged, or used by a person under the influence of alcoholic liquor or a controlled substance or a combination of both.
- (d) Any person who uses fireworks shall be in compliance with all other applicable laws or ordinances.

(Ord. No. 8-2013, § 1, 8-8-2013)

Sec. 38-305. - Permit, application and site plan.

- (a) Any person wishing to use consumer fireworks or display fireworks on any day except the day before, day of or day after a federal holiday shall, at least 30 days prior to the event, pay a fee established by the Emmett Township Board and submit an application for a permit on a form created by the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs furnished by the township and shall secure permission from the township board prior to the event.

State law reference— (Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, 2011 PA 256, section 16(1).)

- (b) A site plan of the area where the event is to be conducted shall be submitted with the application. The site plan shall set forth all structures in the area and the discharge site fallout area. The site plan shall furthermore set forth the distance separating the mortars used to launch the fireworks and the structures and also set forth the distance separating the mortars and the spectators viewing the display. All site plans must be approved by the Director of the Emmett Charter Township Department of Public Safety prior to township board approval. The approval by the public safety director or township board may be subject to such conditions as the director or his designee may impose to properly safeguard the public, both as to persons and property; and subject to the provisions of the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, 2011 PA 256.

(Ord. No. 8-2013, § 1, 8-8-2013)

Sec. 38-306. - Requirements and restrictions.

- (a) Every person who ignites, discharges, or uses fireworks shall follow National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Code 1123 for Fireworks Display and/or the Emmett Township requirements, whichever is more restrictive.
- (b) Every person who is granted a permit to ignite, discharge, or use fireworks shall maintain personal liability insurance/property damage liability insurance in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 as a minimum during each event. Additional insurance may be required based upon conditions and/or the location



of the display. The township and its employees and/or officers shall be named as additional named insured on the insurance policy. The insurance policy must be submitted with the aforementioned application and shall be subject to the risk management company's review. The insurance policy shall also include coverage for the cleanup after the event has ended.

State law reference— Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, 2011 PA 256, section 16(2).

- (c) Any person using fireworks shall be responsible for all shells or devices being fired or burned. In the event any shell does not explode, the person shall secure the area until the unexploded shell is found and properly disposed of.
- (d) Smoking in an area where fireworks are being used is prohibited under NFPA 1124, 7, 3, 11, 1 and is regulated by Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, 2011 PA 256, 12(4).
- (e) Nothing herein limits the liability of any individual for injury to any person or property as a result of the use of fireworks, including any fire suppression costs incurred as a result of improper, careless or negligent use of fireworks.

(Ord. No. 8-2013, § 1, 8-8-2013)

Sec. 38-307. - Enforcement, seizure of fireworks and penalties.

- (a) This article may be enforced by the Emmett Township Public Safety Director, his designee and/or sworn public safety officers.
- (b) If an enforcing official determines that a violation of this article or the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act has occurred, the official may seize the fireworks as evidence of such violation.
- (c) Unless otherwise provided herein, any person who violates any provision of this article is guilty of a misdemeanor which shall be punishable upon conviction thereof by a fine not exceeding \$500.00 or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court.
- (d) Any person who violates section 38-303(b) is responsible for a municipal civil infraction punishable by a civil fine of \$50.00 for the first offense and \$500.00 for a second offense or any subsequent repeat offenses.
- (e) Any person who violates section 38-304(a) is responsible for a state civil infraction as provided by Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, 2011 PA 256, section 12(1).
- (f) Upon conviction, or finding of responsibility, for a violation of this article, the township may dispose of or destroy any consumer fireworks or low-impact fireworks retained as evidence for prosecution of the violation.
- (g) In addition to any other penalty provided herein, a person who is convicted or found responsible for a violation of this article shall reimburse the township for the costs of storing, disposing of, or destroying any consumer or low-impact fireworks seized as provided for herein.

(Ord. No. 8-2013, § 1, 8-8-2013)



Fireworks in Michigan



Legal Consumer Fireworks



Aerials



Bottle Rockets/ Sky Rockets



Reloadable Shell Device

Roman Candles



Firecrackers



Missile Type
Rockets



Helicopter/
Aerial Spinners



Single Tube
Device with
Report

Legal Low Impact Fireworks

Ground Based or Handheld Sparklers



Sparklers &
Sparkler Trees



Cylindrical



Cone

Sparkling Wheel Devices



Ground Sparkling Devices



Ball & Disk



Cylindrical



Square

Calif. Rocket



Smoke Devices



Cylindrical



Smoke Cone



Calif. Smoke Candle

May Not Have More Than 500g of Explosive Mixture.

Novelties



Snappers/ Drop Pops



Snakes



Party Poppers



Smoke Ball



Sparkling Devices

Novelties are not regulated in Michigan.

Questions Regarding Fireworks? www.michigan.gov/bfs

Instructions for Application for Fireworks Other Than Consumer or Low Impact

Applications shall be submitted to the legislative body of a city, village or township board. A permit may be issued as a result of official action by the legislative body. A permit shall be valid only for use within the limits of the jurisdiction of the legislative body of a city, village or township board.

1. Type of Permit – check all boxes that may apply to the type of permit needed. You may select several permit types depending on your fireworks display. You may check with your legislative body of a city, village or township board for assistance when making your selection. Please review the following definitions to determine which type of permit to select:
 - Agricultural or Wildlife Fireworks – devices distributed to farmers, ranchers, and growers through a wildlife management program administered by the US Department of Interior or Michigan DNR.
 - Articles Pyrotechnic – 1.4G fireworks for professional use only that is classified as UN0431 or UN0432.
 - Display Fireworks – 1.3G fireworks for professional use only
 - Special Effects Manufactured for Outdoor Pest Control or Agricultural Purposes – devices with a combination of chemical elements or compounds capable of burning independently of the oxygen of the atmosphere and designed and intended to produce an audible, visual, mechanical or thermal effect for pest or animal control.
 - Public Display – a fireworks display that is open to all persons for viewing.
 - Private Display – a fireworks display that is not open to the general public for viewing.
2. Name of applicant – list the name of the applicant. The applicant may be a person representing an organization, group, firm or corporation, or self. If the applicant is also the operator, enter the same name in the operator's section.
3. Address of applicant – complete the address of the applicant; include the street address, city, state and zip code.
4. Name of person or resident agent representing corporation, LLC, DBA or other – list the name of the person or resident agent that represents the corporation, LLC, DBA or other.
5. Address of person or resident agent that represents the corporation, LLC, DBA or other – list the address of the person or resident agent representing the corporation, LLC, DBA or other.
6. Non-resident applicant – list the name of the non-resident applicant. A non-resident applicant shall appoint a Michigan attorney or Michigan resident agent in writing to be the applicant's legal representative upon whom all service of process in any action or proceeding may be served.
7. Name of pyrotechnic operator – list the name of the pyrotechnic operator. The pyrotechnic operator is the person in charge of the display. The legislative body of a city, village or township board shall rule on the competency and qualifications of the operator before granting a permit and may require an affidavit from the applicant as to the operator's experience, former pyrotechnic accidents, criminal record, sobriety, etc.
8. Address of pyrotechnic operator – list the address of the pyrotechnic operator; include the street address, city, state and zip code.
9. Age of the pyrotechnic operator – list the age of the pyrotechnic operator; the operator must be 18 years of age or older.
10. Name of assistant – list the name of the assistant to the pyrotechnic operator;
11. Address of assistant – list the address of the assistant; include the street address, city, state and zip code. If there is more than one assistant, please list additional assistants on a separate sheet and include the address and age of those additional assistants.
12. Age of assistant – list the age of the assistant to the pyrotechnic operator; the assistant must be 18 years or older.
13. Name of other assistant – list the name of other assistant to the pyrotechnic operator.
14. Age of other assistant – list the age of the assistant to the pyrotechnic operator; the assistant must be 18 years or older.
15. Exact location of proposed display – list the address of the exact location of the proposed fireworks display.
16. Date of proposed display – indicate the date of the proposed fireworks display; only one display date can be used per application.
17. Time of proposed display – indicate the time of the proposed fireworks display.
18. Manner and place of storage - indicate the manner and place of storage within the legislative body of a city, village or township board of fireworks that are ready for display, just prior to the display in the area of exhibition. The legislative body of a city, village or township board shall obtain approval from the local fire authorities of the manner and place of storage before any permit is issued.

19. Amount of bond or insurance - the issuing legislative body of a city, village or township board shall set the amount of and proof of bond or insurance for the protection of the public to satisfy claims for damages to property or personal injuries arising out of any act or omission on the part of the person, firm or corporation, or any agent or employee of the applicant. The applicant shall assure the bond or insurance required is provided.
20. Name of bonding corporation or insurance company – provide the name of the bonding corporation or insurance company for which the bond was issued through.
21. Address of bonding corporation or insurance company – list the address of the bonding corporation or insurance company; include the street address, city, state and zip code.
22. Number of fireworks and kind of fireworks to be displayed– indicate the total amount of fireworks proposed for the display or use and a description of the type of fireworks for display; such as 10 aerial bombs, 30 aerial rocket bursts, etc.
23. The application is valid for the calendar year in which the application was received and permit was issued.
24. Permit fees shall be established by the legislative body of a city, village or township board and shall be submitted to and retained by legislative body of a city, village or township board.
25. Permitting will be in compliance with the [Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, PA 256 of 2011](#), [MCL 28.466, Section 16](#).
26. **Mail the application to the legislative body of a city, village or township board within the location jurisdiction of the display.** DO NOT mail the application to the Bureau of Fire Services (BFS). If mailed to the BFS, it will be returned to the sender.