OUTDOOR FIREWORKS DISPLAY

The purpose of this form is to establish a set of guidelines and procedures for the issuance of outdoors fireworks displays.

The Mecklenburg County policy for the issuance of a permit is:

1. All permits issued for outdoors fireworks displays shall be applied for at the Fire Marshal’s Office either in person, by fax, mail, or through e-mail.

2. The person or organization performing the display shall provide proof of liability insurance in the amount of $1,000,000.00 minimum and that the insurance is, or will be in effect at the time of the display.
   
   NOTE: The minimum amount indicated may vary depending on location of the display.

3. A site plan of the fireworks discharge site and surrounding area shall be provided and shall indicate:
   
   a. The minimum distance to nearest:
      
      i. Structures
      ii. Power and/or telephone lines
      iii. Railways, roads or highways
      iv. Viewing audience
   
   b. The location of the “fall-out” area(s).

4. The permit application shall contain the following information:
   
   a. The name of the organization sponsoring the display and/or name of the organization actually performing the display.
   b. The exact location of the display (address, building name/location, etc.)
   c. The date and time of the display.
   d. A description setting forth the name, address and age of the person(s) in charge of the display.
   e. A resume of the person(s) in charge of the display which indicates a list of experience and any licenses that he or she may hold.
   f. A list of additional personnel assisting the person in charge of the display.
   g. The manner and place of the storage of the fireworks.
   h. The quantity, types and maximum size of shells and mortars.

5. Upon the issuance of a permit, the Fire Marshal shall perform a site visit of the location of the display display discharge area, the “fall-out” area(s) and the spectator area to ensure that the applicable sections of Chapter 33 of the North Carolina Fire Code, NFPA 1123, and NFPA 1126 are complied with.

6. The Fire Marshal in charge of issuing the permit shall be responsible for communicating with the appropriate Fire Department for fire watch and stand-by arrangements.