



NORTH CAROLINA

CONSUMER FIREWORKS

Specifically permitted

Sparklers, fountains, smoke devices, snake and glow worms, trick noisemakers such as party poppers, string poppers or snappers, and toy pistol caps. The foregoing items are subject to size and chemical composition limitations.

Specifically prohibited

All fireworks not specifically permitted.

Age of Purchase

16 Years or older

DISPLAY FIREWORKS

Display permits

Apply to local authority. Displays must comply with NFPA 1123, NFPA 1126.

Insurance

Minimum of \$500,000, local jurisdictions may require insurance that exceeds that amount.

Operator

Operator license required. Among other requirements, the operator must be at least 21 years of age, possess a valid ATF issued credentials, and pass a written test. Test fee: \$10. License fee: \$100. (There is a separate licenses for outdoor pyrotechnics operators and a proximate audience pyrotechnic operators. Each license fee is \$100.)
Renewal fee: \$60.
Assistants license required. Assistants, among other requirements, must be 18 years old and pass a written exam. License fee: \$30. Renewal fee: \$30.

MANUFACTURE, STORAGE, TRANSPORTATION

Manufacturing of fireworks not permitted. Common carriers cannot transport or deliver pyrotechnics in its regular course of business.

ENFORCING AUTHORITY

Office of State Fire Marshal
Pyrotechnic Permitting
1202 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1202
Phone: 1 (800) 634-7854
www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/

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