



**DRAYTON VALLEY/BRAZEAU COUNTY
FIRE SERVICES**

CONSUMER FIREWORKS PERMIT

Date: _____

Permit Number: _____

Pursuant to Article 5.1.1.2 National Fire Code – Alberta Edition 2019, Brazeau County Bylaw 517-05 “ Discharge of Fireworks” and Bylaw 703-09 “ The Fire Services Bylaw”.

Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services hereby permits:

(Applicants Name)

(Phone Number)

(Address)

(Email Address)

TO: Purchase Posses Store Discharge

At: _____
(Fireworks Location)

(Name of Permit Holder)

(Permit Holder if not same as above address)

(Phone Number if not same as above)

This Permit is Valid from: _____ to _____
(Date of Display) (Date of Display)

(Approximate Start Time) To _____
(Approximate End Time)

IMPORTANT

The permits shall indemnify and save harmless The Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services, its agents, servants, and employees from any and all liabilities, damages, costs, suits, or actions arising out of the use of fireworks for which this permit is valid and any damages to property, real or personal, or injury to any persons including death resulting there from.

This permit may be cancelled, or the permit holder may be ordered to cease the discharging, firing, or setting off of fireworks when in the opinion of the authority having jurisdiction, it is considered necessary to do so for reasons of safety, or there exists conditions that contravene the National Fire Code - Alberta Edition 2019.

The permit holder may be required to pay costs incurred by the Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services in Fire Fighting which occurred due to willful or wanton disregard for the conditions stated on this permit.
The permit holder shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of the National Fire Code - Alberta Edition 2019 including amendments.

CONDITIONS FOR DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS

Brazeau County Bylaw 703-09 the Fire Services Bylaw

10. A application for a fire permit to discharge consumer fireworks shall be made to the Fire Chiefs office in writing. The Fire Chief shall receive and consider the application and may refuse issuance of permit on reasonable and probable grounds that a public interest risk exists for the proposed discharge of consumer fireworks.

Brazeau County Bylaw 517-05 Discharge of Fireworks

- a) “*Family*” fireworks hours of use must be within the noise bylaw restrictions of 7:00 am to 12 midnight.
- b) **ALL** occupied adjacent landowners (occupants) within 200 meters (656 feet) must be notified of intent to discharge by the permit applicant, and any objections must be addressed to the fire department, in writing, prior to a permit being issued.
- c) “*Family*” fireworks shall not be allowed to be discharged in any “Hamlet”.
- d) “*Family*” fireworks shall not be allowed to be discharged in any Brazeau County “Country Residential Subdivision” having more than 5 parcels.

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5.1.1.2. Explosives

- 1) The manufacturing, handling, transportation, sale and use of *dangerous goods* classified as explosives shall be in conformance with NRCan R.S.C., 1985, c E-17, “Explosives Act” and Regulations

Explosive Regulation, 2013 (SOR/2013-211)

Part 2 – General Requirements, Prohibitions and Safety Precautions

Prohibitions

Prohibited explosives

12 The following explosives are, in the opinion of the Minister, intrinsically unsafe and must not be acquired, possessed, used or sold:

- (a) trick fireworks (for example, cigarette loads, dancing crackers and exploding golf balls); and
- (b) explosives containing chemicals that are not compatible with one another.

Sale or transfer

13 A person must not sell or otherwise transfer an explosive to another person if they have reasonable grounds to suspect that

- (a) the other person is not authorized by the *Explosives Act* or these Regulations to acquire the explosive;
- (b) the explosive will be used for a criminal purpose; or
- (c) the other person is under the influence of alcohol or another performance-diminishing substance.

Acquisition of restricted explosive

14 A person must not acquire an explosive that the Chief Inspector of Explosives has authorized with restrictions unless

- (a) if the authorization is restricted to specified people or bodies or classes of people or bodies, they are a person or body or member of a class of people or bodies specified in the authorization;
- (b) if the authorization is restricted to specified purposes, they intend to use the explosive for a purpose specified in the authorization; or
- (c) if the authorization is restricted to specified people or bodies or classes of people or bodies and to specified purposes, they are a person or body or member of a class of people or bodies specified in the authorization and intend to use the explosive for a purpose specified in the authorization.

15 A person must not carry out an activity involving an explosive if they are under the influence of alcohol or another performance-diminishing substance. A person who has taken a prescription drug may carry out such an activity if they have medical proof that they need the drug and that it will not impede their ability to safely carry out the activity.

Smoking

16 A person must not smoke while they are carrying out an activity involving an explosive or if they are within 8 m of an explosive.

Alteration of markings

17 (1) A person must not alter, deface or obscure any printing or label on an explosive or its packaging unless they are ordered to do so by an inspector to correct an error.

Change of quantity

(2) However, after removing an explosive from its packaging, a person may alter the printing or label on the packaging to reflect the remaining quantity.

False information

18 A person must not include in a document required by these Regulations any information that is false or misleading. A person must not submit a document that, by reason of non-disclosure of facts, is false or misleading.

Safety Precautions

Knowledge of activity

19 A person who is carrying out an activity involving an explosive must ensure that they, and any person under their supervision, have knowledge of the activity being carried out and of the measures that must be taken to minimize any likelihood of harm to people and property that could result from the activity, including measures to

- (a) prevent an accidental ignition;
- (b) limit the spread of any fire or the extent of any explosion; and
- (c) protect people from the effects of any fire or explosion.

Precautionary measures

20 A person who is carrying out an activity involving an explosive must take measures that minimize the likelihood of harm to people or property that could result from the activity, including measures to

- (a) prevent an accidental ignition;
- (b) limit the spread of any fire or the extent of any explosion; and
- (c) protect people from the effects of any fire or explosion.

Part 16 – Consumer Fireworks

DIVISION 2

Rules for Users

Acquisition and Storage

Acquisition

- **354 (1)** A user who is at least 18 years old may acquire, store and use consumer fireworks, whether or not they hold a licence. A user who acquires consumer fireworks must comply with this Division.

Toy pistol caps

(2) A user who is less than 18 years old may acquire and use toy pistol caps.

Storage — licensed user

- **355 (1)** A user who holds a licence must store their consumer fireworks in the magazine specified in the licence.

Storage — unlicensed user

(2) A user who does not hold a licence must store their consumer fireworks in a dwelling or a storage unit and ensure that the requirements of sections 356 and 357 are met.

Maximum quantity — dwelling

- **356 (1)** The maximum quantity of consumer fireworks that may be stored at any one time in a dwelling is 10 kg.

Maximum quantity — storage unit

(2) The maximum quantity of consumer fireworks that may be stored at any one time in storage units, whether in a single unit or in several, is 1 000 kg.

Storage requirements — dwelling

- **357 (1)** When consumer fireworks are stored in a dwelling, they must be stored away from flammable substances and sources of ignition, in a manner that protects them from theft and ensures that access to them is limited to people authorized by the user.

Storage requirements — storage unit

- (2) When consumer fireworks are stored in a storage unit,
- (a) the storage unit must be located in a dry place, away from flammable substances and sources of ignition;
 - (b) the storage unit must be constructed and maintained to prevent unauthorized access and to protect the contents from weather;
 - (c) if the storage unit is a container, it must not impede exit in case of fire;
 - (d) if the storage unit is not a container, all exits must be unobstructed;
 - (e) any shelving in the storage unit must be constructed from a non-sparking material (for example, wood or painted metal);
 - (f) nothing other than consumer fireworks may be stored in the storage unit;
 - (g) the storage unit must be attended when it is unlocked;

- **(h)** the storage unit must be kept clean, dry, organized and free of grit;
- **(i)** any spill, leakage or other contamination in the storage unit must be cleaned up immediately;
- **(j)** precautions that minimize the likelihood of fire in or near the storage unit must be taken; and
- **(k)** a sign that displays the words “Danger — Fire Hazard/Risque d’incendie” in letters at least 10 cm high and that prohibits smoking using letters, or a symbol, at least 10 cm high must be posted on the storage unit in a clearly visible location.

Use

Instructions

- **358 (1)** When using consumer fireworks, a user must follow the instructions of the person who obtained their authorization. If there are no such instructions, the fireworks must not be used.

Electric match

- (2) A user must not use an electric match to fire fireworks.

No smoking

- (3) A user must not smoke, and must prohibit all others from smoking, within 8 m of the site of use of the fireworks.

User under 18 years old

- **359 (1)** A user who is under the age of 18 may use consumer fireworks if they are supervised by a person who is at least 18 years old.

Supervision

- (2) A person who acquires consumer fireworks may give them to a user who is under the age of 18 if the person ensures that the user is supervised by a person who is at least 18 years old.

Toy pistol caps

- (3) The supervision requirement in subsections (1) and (2) does not apply in respect of toy pistol caps.

The Authority having jurisdiction may order a person to cease the discharging, firing, or setting off fireworks when considered necessary to do so for reasons of safety.

- 1) The fire department, or forest officer in the forest protection area, is permitted to seize, take, remove or cause to be seized, taken or removed any fireworks offered or exposed for sale or being used contrary to this section.
- 2) Where fireworks are seized in accordance with Sentence (1), the fire department, or forest officer in the forest protection area, shall dispose of them in a safe manner.

Written Permission

1) No person shall

- a) Purchase, possess, handle, discharge, fire or set off fireworks unless written permission issued by the fire department for that purpose has been obtained, or
- b) Discharge, fire or set off fireworks in a forest protection area unless written permission is issued by a forest officer for that purpose has been obtained.

2) Written permission issued under Sentence (1)

- a) Shall specify the date, time and location on which the fireworks are to be discharged, and
- b) Is permitted to contain any other terms and conditions the fire department or forest officer considers necessary to ensure the safe use of the fireworks.

**There is an administrative fee to process the permit application – as per the Fee Schedule.*

I am 18 years old and have been made aware of the conditions on this permit, and I understand the conditions and information contained herein.

(Name and signature of Permit Holder)

(Authority Having Jurisdiction, SCO #)

CONDITIONS UPON ISSUING FIREWORKS PERMIT

	Detailed map of site location has been presented to the fire services representative.
	Written description of how fireworks will be stored prior to, during and after the event.
	Written permission from land owner has been obtained and presented to fire services.
	Company Name and address of vendor where fireworks were purchased
	A portable fire extinguisher having a rating of not less than 2-A shall be provided and kept in the immediate discharge area.
	Adequate water supply required to control a possible fire.
	Fireworks not to be discharged when wind velocity exceeds 45km/hr or when, in the opinion of the authority having jurisdiction, weather conditions create an undue fire hazard.
	Notification of adjacent landowners of the fireworks event.
	No persons, other than persons responsible for discharging fireworks, shall be closer than 30m from the location at which the fireworks are being discharged.
	Fire Services shall do a site inspection of the property prior to fireworks being set off.
	Fire Works Signage Required (Signs can be acquired from the Drayton Valley Brazeau County Fire Services)
	Other Conditions:

****Warning** Failure to follow the above conditions may result in a fine, and/ or recovery of suppression costs.**

Company Name/Address of Vendor

Description of how Fireworks are stored.

I have read and have been made aware of the conditions set for this fireworks event.

 (Signature of Permit Holder)

 (Authority Having Jurisdiction, SCO #)