



NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONSUMER FIREWORKS

Specifically permitted

Consumer fireworks (formerly known as Class C fireworks) as defined in 27 C.F.R. § 555.11, excluding the prohibited items below. Local authorities may prohibit consumer fireworks.

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Class C sparklers that contain chlorate or perchlorate, firecrackers, and bottle rockets. (Per New Hampshire's Department of Safety website, missiles, sky rockets, handheld fountains, and devices that solely produce smoke also are prohibited.)

Purchase restrictions

Must be least 21 years of age to purchase and possess fireworks. However, if the person is between 18 and 21 years of age and is on active duty with the armed services or has been called to active service as a member of the state guard, sale is permitted. Cannot sell fireworks to anyone who appears to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Age to sell

May be 18 years of age *if* under the direct supervision of someone who is 21 years of age or older.

Further requirements

Sellers must be licensed (see below) and provide a \$50,000 bond per location and be insured, minimum insurance policy of \$100,000 per accident. Consumer fireworks may only be sold from a permanent structure with a fire suppression system.

DISPLAY FIREWORKS

Display permit

Permit Required. Apply to local authorities at least 15 days before display date. 72 hours before the display, a copy of the permit and proof of insurance must be transmitted to the Department of Safety.

Insurance

Required. Most provide proof of bond or insurance. Bond, minimum \$50,000. Insurance, minimum of \$100,000 liability per accident.

Operator

There must be at least one operator. State Police Certificate of Competency required. Written examination. Minimum age 21 years of age. One assistant, who must be at least 18 years of age, also must be present.

STORAGE/TRANSPORTATION

State law specifies requirements for storage and transportation.

LICENSING

State license for sale of fireworks required, valid for 1 year, \$1,500 annual fee per location. Minimum age 21 years. Must have ATF permit plus local permit.

ENFORCING AUTHORITY

Commissioner of the Department of Safety
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03305
Phone: (603) 223-3889; (603) 223-4289
<https://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/firesafety/special-operations/fireworks/>

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