

Chapter 350

FIREWORKS

Sec. 350-1 Permit Established.

There is established in the unincorporated areas of the County a "Permit for the Supervised Display of Fireworks" in accordance with the Fireworks Use Act. No permit shall issue except in accordance with the rules provided herein. No permit shall be required of any State or County Fair Association.

Sec. 350-2 Application for a Permit.

The application for a permit shall be made to the Sheriff, in writing on a form to be supplied by the Sheriff, by at least three persons, each of whom shall have obtained the age of 21 years, and shall be delivered to the Sheriff at least 15 days in advance of the date to be described in the permit. The application shall include the following:

(a) The date upon which the fireworks are to be displayed and may state a second date upon which the fireworks are to be displayed in the event weather should prohibit the display on the intended date.

(b) A plat which describes the location at which the fireworks are to be displayed, which location shall be within the unincorporated area of the County and shall not be such as to constitute a hazard to the property or persons of others.

(c) A statement of the kinds of fireworks to be displayed, their number and the intensity of their intended use at the display.

(d) A bond in a sum not less than ten thousand dollars made payable to the County and conditioned on the applicants' compliance with the Fireworks Use Act, the rules and regulations of the Office of the State Fire Marshall, and this ordinance.

(e) Proof of the issuance of a policy of insurance covering the applicants against the risks attendant to the display, in an amount not

less than one million dollars and with a deductible not greater than ten thousand dollars.

(f) The full names, residence addresses and dates of birth of at least one person who is competent to display the fireworks.

(g) A fee for the review of the application in the amount of one hundred dollars.

Sec. 350-3 Issuance of the Permit.

(a) The Sheriff shall act upon the application within 48 hours of its receipt. The Sheriff shall review the application to determine whether it has been presented in accordance with this ordinance; determine whether the location of the display complies with this ordinance and the Fireworks Use Act; meet with the chief of the affected fire protection district; and determine whether the person or persons named in the application are competent to display the fireworks. If the Sheriff approves of the application, he shall issue the permit upon a form prepared for that purpose. If the Sheriff disapproves of the application, he shall so notify the applicant.

(b) The Sheriff shall not issue the permit unless the chief of the affected fire protection district first agrees that the permit should be issued.

(c) The permit shall be valid only for the date, location and persons identified in the permit, and shall not be transferable.

(d) The Sheriff may distribute a portion of the permit fee to the affected fire protection district.

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