

# CHAPTER 30 – FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

## Sec. 30-1. – Fireworks display permit.

(a) Issuance. The county administrator may issue permits, upon application in writing, for the aerial display of fireworks, commonly known as pyrotechnic displays, for fair associations, amusement parks or by any organization or group of individuals, under the minimum terms and conditions set forth in the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code. It shall be unlawful for any person to hold, present or give any such display of fireworks without first having obtained such permit from the county administrator.

(b) Applications. Applications for the display of fireworks shall be submitted in writing to the county administrator not less than 30 days prior to the event. Such application shall include the following information:

(1) The name and address of applicant.

(2) Date, time and place of the display.

(3) A statement that the fireworks will be arranged, located, discharged, and fired in a manner that will not be a hazard to property or endanger any person.

(4) A statement that the applicant will assume full liability for any injuries to any person or damages to any property that may be caused by the negligence of any person involved in the display, and that the applicant will hold the county harmless from all claims for injuries or damages.

(c) Approval. Upon approval of an application for a permit to

display fireworks, the county administrator shall write across such application the wording "Approved," and the application shall be signed and dated.

(d) Permit on file and on display. After being approved as aforesaid, one copy of the application, which will then become a permit to display fireworks, shall be kept on file by the county administrator until after the date the fireworks are displayed; one copy shall be returned to the applicant and shall be in possession of the person in charge of displaying the fireworks at the time and place they are being displayed; one copy shall be forwarded to the Orange County Sheriff; and one copy shall be forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

*(Ord. of 9-9-2003(1); Ord. of 6-28-2011(12))*

**Secs. 30-2-30-30. – Reserved.**

**Sec. 30-31. – Components of county safety program.**

Orange Volunteer Fire Company; Gordonsville Volunteer Fire Company; Barboursville Volunteer Fire Company; Mine Run Volunteer Fire Company; and Lake of the Woods Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, Inc., and their respective volunteer members are declared to be integral parts of the official safety program of the county as contemplated by chapter 670 of the Acts of Assembly of 1972.

*(Ord. of 6-12-1973; Ord of 02-28-2017)*

**Sec. 30-32. – Participation in certain activities by persons under 16 years old.**

(a) Pursuant to Code of Virginia, § 40.1-79.1B., any member of the Barboursville Volunteer Fire Company, Lake of the Woods Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, Inc., and Mine Run Volunteer

Fire Company, Inc., who is 16 years of age or older may, with parental or guardian approval, work with or participate fully in all activities of the fire company, provided such person has attained certification under National Fire Protection Association 1001, level one, firefighter standards, as administered by the department of fire programs.

(b) Any trainer or instructor of such persons mentioned in subsection (a) of this section or any member of the volunteer company who supervises any such person at the scene of any emergency shall be exempt from the provisions of Code of Virginia, § 40.1-103.

*(Ord. of 4-12-1983)*