



**A ZONING PERMIT IS REQUIRED - PLEASE CALL 406-455-8415
NOTICE TO FIREWORKS RETAILERS**

To sell eligible Class C Fireworks in the Great Falls City limits, the seller needs to obtain a **TEMPORARY** license from the City Licensing Department in the Community Development Office, Room 112 at the Civic Center located at Park Drive and Central Avenue.

STEPS TO OBTAIN A LICENSE:

1. Complete a temporary business license application.
2. Post license at place(s) of business for the issued period.
3. Place a 2A Pressurized Water Extinguisher or one garden hose and a "No Smoking" sign (4" letters) in each sales booth or area.
4. Firework stands located on private property require written letter of authorization from the land owner.
5. Attach a site plan where the firework stand is going to be located on the property.

All non profit groups (i.e., Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Camp Fire must also obtain a license and conform to the same regulations.)

Firework Stands are to be located on private property zoned (C-2, C-3, M-2) The right-of-way on City Streets and Avenues is to be kept clear.

Dates for Fireworks Sales are 07-02 to 07-04 of current year from 8:00am to 12:00am only

PER STATE LAW NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 IS ALLOWED TO WORK IN THE FIREWORKS STANDS. A \$100.00 ZONING PERMIT IS REQUIRED.

SIZE	FEEES
0 - 300 sq. ft.	\$125.00 + \$100.00= \$225.00
301 - 1,000 sq. ft.	\$375.00 + \$100.00 = \$475.00
1,001 - 2,000 sq. ft.	\$625.00 + \$100.00 = \$725.00
2,001 - 3,000 sq. ft.	\$875.00 + \$100.00 = \$975.00
3,001 sq. ft. or larger	\$1,125.00 + \$100.00 = \$1,225.00

ALL FIREWORKS ARE BANNED FROM ALL CITY PARKS

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**TEMPORARY BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION
CITY OF GREAT FALLS-COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
PO BOX 5021
GREAT FALLS, MT 59403
406-455-8414**

Business Name _____

Business Stand Address _____

Business Phone _____

Stand Size _____

Applicant's Name _____

Applicant's Address _____

Home Phone _____

Time Period for License _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have filled out the attached application to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that any person providing misinformation upon this application shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a penalty of up to \$500 and six months in jail.

DATE

SIGNATURE

APPLICATION & ZONING PERMIT PLANNING DEPARTMENT

771-1180 ext. 438



Applicant Name _____ Owner Purchaser Lessee Representative

Applicant Mailing Address _____ Phone _____

Property Address or Legal Description _____

Existing or most recent use of property _____

Check reason for application:

- Build new primary structure/use
(New Building Permit)
- Add to/alter existing structure
(Building Permit repair or remodel)
- Build new accessory structure
(Garage or shed)
- Safety Inspection Certificate
(Fire Department Inspection)

Nature and scope of the proposed project: Explain the project including number of dwelling units, if residential, and describe in detail the proposed use, if nonresidential.

Certification: I hereby certify that I have provided this information in order to obtain a zoning permit and I am responsible for its accuracy.

(Date) (Signature)

NOTE: This application is for a ZONING PERMIT ONLY! Such elements including special development standards, setbacks, off-street parking, landscaping, driveway approaches, building codes, exterior lighting and signage are addressed through separate permits.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date received _____ Permit No. _____

Zoning District _____ Approved _____ Denied _____

Legal Description: Lot _____ Block _____ Addition _____

Parcel Number _____ Location ID _____

Comments: _____

Determination made by _____ Date issued _____

Planning Staff Signature

NOTE: This permit expires 1 year after issued.

Article 90 - FIREWORKS

Sections:

9.90.010 - Selling and discharging dates and times.

A. The selling and discharging of fireworks within the incorporated limits of Great Falls shall be July 2 through July 4 from 8 am to midnight.

(Ord. 2965, 2007; Ord. 2664, 1994).

B. Fireworks may be discharged on December 31 from 10:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. January 1. Fireworks may not be sold within the incorporated city limits except as provided in 9.90.010 (A).

C. The Fire Chief, or designee, shall determine if there are special circumstances that warrant the discharge of fireworks not provided for in 9.90.010 A and B, and authorize such use if the circumstance is community wide and of national, state and local significance.

D. Professional Fireworks Displays using display fireworks. Public displays of fireworks by a licensed, bonded pyrotechnic operator are exempt from 9.90.010A-C. Permits for any public display by a licensed bonded pyrotechnic operator from the Fire Department are required to conduct a public fireworks display. "Display Fireworks" means an aerial shell, salute, flash shell, comet, sky battle, mine, and any similar 1.3g (display fireworks) and 1.4g (consumer fireworks) explosive as defined by the U.S. Department of Transportation in Part 173, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations.

(Ord. 2965, 2007; Ord. 2664, 1994).

9.90.020 - Possession illegal.

A. Possession of fireworks not allowed to be sold or discharged by the State of Montana shall be illegal.

(Ord. 2965, 2007; Ord. 2664, 1994).

B. It shall be unlawful for any parent, guardian, or custodian of any child, the child being age seven (7) or younger, to permit or consent to the possession or discharge by the child of any fireworks as defined herein, unless that parent, guardian or custodian be in direct supervision of the child at the time of discharge. For purposes of 9.20.020(B) "direct supervision" means the overall direction and control of an individual and requires the individual furnishing direct supervision to be present and immediately available to furnish assistance while he or she is in possession of or is discharging any and all fireworks. Direct supervision also requires the individual directly supervising to control the application of flame or other means of discharge of the firework and must be no greater than ten (10) feet away from the individual being directly supervised at time of the firework's discharge.

(Ord. 2965, 2007)

9.90.030 - Permissible fireworks.

Shall be the same as those authorized by the State of Montana.

(Ord. 2965, 2007)

9.90.035 - Littering illegal.

It shall be illegal for anyone to leave debris from discharged fireworks on any public place including but not limited to parks, sidewalks, streets, and alleys, or on private property not owned by the individual discharging the fireworks.

(Ord. 2965, 2007)

9.90.040 - Enforcement.

A. City Police Officers and Firefighters shall enforce these rules and regulations.

B. Any official charged with enforcing these rules and regulations may;

1. Issue a Notice to Appear to Great Falls Municipal Court for violations of this Chapter.

2. Seize illegal fireworks that are offered for sale, sold, or in the possession of any individual in violations of this chapter.
 3. Recommend to the Planning and Community Development Department that any wholesaler/retailer found in violation of this chapter have his/her license revoked.
- C. Any person who violates these rules and regulations shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to the following fines.

(Ord. 2664, 1994).

- 1st Offense—One hundred dollars (\$100.00).
- 2nd Offense—Two hundred dollars (\$200.00).
- 3rd Offense—Three hundred dollars (\$300.00).
- 4th and higher—One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

(Ord. No. 3057, § 1, 8-17-2010)

9.90.060 - Fireworks prohibited on all public property.

Fireworks may not be discharged in any city park or on any public sidewalk, street, public right-of-way, public easement or alley.

(Ord. 2965, 2007; Ord. 2664, 1994).

9.90.070 - Fireworks stands and permit fees.

- A. Anyone, group or organization wishing to sell fireworks within the incorporated boundaries of the City of Great Falls shall obtain a special permit. The fees collected from the permit shall cover the costs to issue said permit; to inspect the fireworks stands; and costs of enforcement.
- B. Operators of fireworks stands shall educate all patrons on the
 1. Legal, safe use of fireworks
 2. The dates and times allowed for fireworks to be discharged, and
 3. The requirement to clean up all debris left from discharged fireworks.
- C. Fireworks stand permit fees are based upon square footage as follows:

(Ord. 2965, 2007; Ord. 2664, 1994).

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