

# **FIREWORKS**

## **ORDINANCE# 10-03**

The purpose of this ordinance is to cover the use of "Fireworks" in the Town of Rollinsford and to require a permit for such use.

### **FD-10-01**

Within the Town of Rollinsford, any person twenty-one (21) years of age or older, shall be required to acquire a permit for consumer fireworks. All fireworks shall meet the State of New Hampshire RSA 160-C requirements. A list of permissible fireworks can be found at NH Department of Safety-Division of Fire Safety or @ [www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/firesafety/fireworks/index.html](http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/firesafety/fireworks/index.html)

A resident of Rollinsford setting off permissible fireworks shall be required to obtain a permit fifteen (15) days prior to the actual date of the fireworks display.

No person under the age of twenty-one (21) shall be allowed to set off any firework, permissible or non permissible.

### **FD-10-02**

RSA 160-C:11 Possession and Display of Permissible Fireworks:

1. Notwithstanding RSA 160-B:4, a person who is 21 years of age or older may Possess permissible fireworks except in a municipality which has voted to prohibit possession pursuant to RSA 160-C:6. A person who is 21 or older may display permissible fireworks on private property with the written consent of the owner or in the owner's presence, except in a municipality which has voted to prohibit displays of permissible fireworks pursuant to RSA 160-C:6.

### **FD-10-03**

Within the Town of Rollinsford it shall be unlawful to set off fireworks after the time of 11:00 pm on weekend nights and weeknights that are a federal or state holiday, and 10:00 pm on all other weeknights.

All fireworks shall be set off in a clear area of at least:

- fifty (50) feet from the nearest above ground electrical, telephone or telegraphline, tree or overhead obstruction.
- two hundred (200) feet from the nearest public highway, railroad or other means of travel unless closed to travel during the display.
- Two hundred (200) feet from the nearest building.
- Two hundred fifty (250) feet from the nearest tent or canvas shelter.
- Five hundred (500) feet from the nearest hospital, penal facility or other healthcare or detention establishment.
- Twice the distance of the largest shell in the display from areas containing bulkstorgae of a material which contains a flamability, explosive or toxic hazard.

Where unusual or safety threatening conditions exist, the Fire Chief or his designee shall be permitted to increase the required separation distances as deemed necessary to protect life and property. Refer to Saf-C 5017:01 and Saf-C 5017:02.

#### **FD-10-04**

Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a violation if a natural person, or guilty of a class B misdemeanor if any other person

Any person found in violation of this ordinance shall be fined a sum of twenty-five (25) dollars for the first offense, then fifty (50) dollars for any offense thereafter.

Violations of the above ordinance shall be reported to the Dover District Court.