

## **OUT-OF-STATE**

Wholesalers outside of Oregon shall not have distribution sites in Oregon. Fireworks are to be delivered to the retail permit holder directly from the wholesaler's out-of-state location.

## **ISSUANCE OF PERMIT**

Within 60 days of receipt of a properly completed Permit Application and Wholesale Permit fee, the OSFM shall either grant or deny the application. In no case will the OSFM issue a permit without the approval of the local fire official having jurisdiction.

## **VALID DATES**

Permits are valid from January 1 to December 31 of the year for which they are issued.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- All persons involved in wholesale fireworks sales, storage, transportation, or distribution must be at least 18 years of age.
- Permits are not transferable to another person or business, including sub-contracting of accounts.
- Wholesalers cannot sell to individual members of the general public, but only to those persons holding fireworks permits issued by the OSFM.
- Changes in the person in charge of sales requires notifying the OSFM in writing within two weeks of date of change.
- A copy of the permit issued by the OSFM shall be posted in the sales area.
- The manager of wholesale sales, or the sales representative, must be an employee of the wholesaler, must be on site during the business hours of the site.

- Persons who have been cited or arrested for fireworks violations, or who have their fireworks permits suspended, revoked, or denied in any jurisdiction, shall not participate in fireworks wholesale activities.

## **FIREWORKS SHIPMENTS**

Shipments of fireworks from Oregon-based wholesalers to other states must be in compliance with all applicable United States Department of Transportation requirements and any other federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations pertaining to the transportation of fireworks, or in vehicles owned, leased or rented by the wholesaler.

Common carriers shall immediately notify local fire authority or the OSFM of any fireworks shipments to be delivered within or into Oregon.

Common carriers shall hold all shipments for at least 24 hours, or until released by the local fire authority and/or the OSFM.

Shipments not legal for delivery in Oregon may be confiscated, removed or have removed by the local fire authority, law enforcement authority and/or the OSFM.

*For more information or additional copies of this brochure, contact the Office of State Fire Marshal at (503) 934-8285.*

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# **WHOLESALE FIREWORKS PERMIT**

## **OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL**

## **OREGON STATE POLICE**



## **LICENSE AND PERMITS SECTION**

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*Wholesalers who sell fireworks to holders of display, retail sales and agricultural use fireworks permits are required to obtain a wholesale fireworks permit from the Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM). The permit allows the wholesaler to purchase, possess, store and sell fireworks when those activities are in conformance with the requirements of Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 837-12-500 through 837-12-570.*

## **APPLICATION**

Permit Applications shall be postmarked by a United States Postmark, or received at the Office of State Fire Marshal, no later than December 18 of the year preceding the year for which the Wholesale Permit is sought. If December 18 falls on a day when a postmark cannot be obtained, applications shall be postmarked on the preceding business day when a postmark can be obtained. If December 18 falls on a day when the Office of State Fire Marshal is closed, and the applicant wishes to hand deliver their application, it shall be delivered to the Office of State Fire Marshal at the Salem office on the preceding business day.

## **FEE SCHEDULE**

Wholesaler                      \$3,000 per year

## **SIGNATURES REQUIRED**

### **APPLICANT**

- Applications must be signed in the presence of a notary public and such signatures shall be notarized.
- Applications made by a partnership shall be signed by every partner.
- Applications made by a corporation shall be signed by an officer of the corporation and shall bear the corporation seal.

- Applications made by out-of-state companies shall also be signed by the applicant(s) and the Manager responsible for Wholesale Operations.

### **LOCAL AUTHORITIES**

- Fire
- Zoning\*
- Building\*

*\*Applicants who were issued a permit for the previous year and have not changed their storage location need only the signature of the local fire authority.*

## **DOCUMENTS**

**The following documents are required to be submitted with the application.**

- A copy of a current photographic identification card of the applicant(s). If the applicant is a corporation, the applicant shall submit copies of photographic identification of all the corporate officers. If the applicant is a partnership, the applicant shall submit copies of the photographic identification of all partners.
- A description of fireworks types and maximum quantities, by total weight, of fireworks anticipated to be stored at the site.
- A sketch and/or plot plan of the wholesale site that shows all structures, buildings, highways, property lines and the sales and storage areas. The sketch or plan must also show the distances between the sales and storage areas and all structures, buildings, highways and property lines.
- For 1.3g (class B) fireworks wholesalers, a copy of the required federal license must be attached.
- A copy of any lease or sub-lease agreements for the wholesale storage and sales site.

- Copies of all local business licenses, permits or zoning approvals required by local officials. It is the applicant's responsibility to secure all local permits, licenses or approvals.

## **APPLICABLE STATUTES AND FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY CODES**

- **Oregon Revised Statutes** 480.110 through 480.165, and 480.990.
- **National Fire Protection Association Standards**  
#68 - Guide for Explosion Venting; and #1124 - Code for the Manufacture, Transportation, and Storage of Fireworks. These may be purchased from NFPA at 1-800-344-3555.
- **Oregon Structural Specialty Code**
- **Oregon Fire Code**
- **Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives** requirements (BATFE) 5400.7 for 1.3g (class B) fireworks storage.

## **SITE SELECTION**

### **IN-STATE**

The wholesale site shall be in conformance with the Oregon Structural Specialty Code. Smoking, other ignition sources, or the use of fireworks, retail fireworks, public display fireworks, or agricultural fireworks shall not be allowed within 100 feet of the storage or sales facility. Temporary structures (including tents), non-approved buildings, and vehicles or trailers of less than 10,000 pound gross carrying capacity, are not acceptable for either wholesale storage or sales.

Security for wholesale sites shall be provided by a solid or chain link fence with locking gates at least six (6) feet high or an alternative as approved by the local fire authority.