

**Town of Sumner
Policy # 2017 0814**

**Fireworks Permit Required
For the Possession, Use, and Display of Fireworks**

Town of Sumner
Jefferson County
State of Wisconsin

The Town of Sumner, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, by an approved Town Board Motion, adopts this Policy on August 14, 2017 at a Town Board Meeting with a quorum voting and present, and orders as follows:

The sale of fireworks in the Town of Sumner is not permitted.

It is illegal in the Town of Sumner to possess, use, discharge or display fireworks as defined in Sect. 167.10 (1) Wis. stats., except if in possession of a Fireworks Permit issued by the Town of Sumner Chairperson and attested by the Town Clerk in accordance with Sect. 167.10(3)(3) Wis. stats..

A Fireworks Permit Application for the Possession, Use, and Display of Fireworks becomes valid as a *Fireworks Permit* after the Permit Application Fee is paid and all requirements and conditions of the permit are met, including the provision of the following documents to the Sumner Town Clerk.

1. An approved Fireworks Permit from the Fire Department with jurisdiction at the display location. (City of Fort Atkinson Fire Department –or - Edgerton Fire Protection District)
2. A copy of the Contract between the appropriately licensed Contractor and the Sponsor or other parties to the contract.
3. A Certificate of Liability Insurance, naming the Town of Sumner as additional insured by the Contractor for \$1.5 million (\$1,500,000.00).

The Permit Application shall require the following information and affirmations.

1. A specified location of the event by address, and the distance between the discharge of the display and buildings, vegetation, and the general public.
2. The date of the display and a specified rain date.
3. Approximate start and end times of the display.
4. The name and signature of the Sponsor of the display and event.
5. The name and signature of the Property Owner where the display will originate.
6. The business name, contact information, and federal license number of the pyrotechnic Contractor that will provide the display.
7. An affirmation by the applicant that the display will take place only over water and that a “first-light search” will take place over land areas under and adjacent to the discharge and display of the fireworks.
8. An affirmation by the applicant recognizing that under Sect. 167.10(7m), Wis. stats., the Town of Sumner is not civilly liable for damage to people or property caused by fireworks, for the sole reason that the town has issued a fireworks permit in conformance with Chapter 167.10 Wis. Stats..

The Permit Application Fee is set at \$250.00, or as may be changed in the Town of Sumner Fee & Forfeiture Schedule.

A complete Permit Application, including all attachments, must be received by the Town Clerk no less than seven (7) days in advance of the display event.

Upon signature approval of the Fireworks Permit Application by the Town Board Chair, and attest by the Town Clerk, the application becomes the valid Fireworks Permit.

The Fireworks Permit remains valid for one-day following the proposed original rain date.

A copy of the Fireworks Permit Application is attached as an addendum to this policy.

The effective date of this Policy is upon passage by the Town Board on August 14, 2017.

_____ John Dohner, Jr. Chairman

_____ Randall Burdick, Supervisor 1

_____ Rosemary Olson, Supervisor 2

Attest: _____ Glendan Rewoldt, Clerk