



VIRGINIA

Consumer Fireworks

Specifically Permitted

Fountains that do not emit sparks or other burning effects to a distance greater than five meters (16.4 feet); wheels that do not emit a flame radius greater than one meter (39 inches); crackling devices and flashers or strobes that do not emit sparks or other burning effects to a distance greater than two meters (78.74 inches); and sparkling devices or other fireworks devices that (i) do not explode or produce a report, (ii) do not travel horizontally or vertically under their own power, (iii) do not emit or function as a projectile, (iv) do not produce a continuous flame longer than 20 inches, (v) are not capable of being reloaded, and (vi) if designed to be ignited by a fuse, have a fuse that is protected to resist side ignition and a burning time of not less than four seconds and not more than eight seconds.

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Firecrackers, skyrocketes, torpedoes, and other fireworks which explode, travel laterally, rise into the air, or fire projectiles into the air.

Selling Period

Year round.

Age of Purchase

18 years of age and older.

Licensing

N/A

Authority

Commonwealth of Virginia
Dept of Housing & Community Development
Office of State Fire Marshal
501 N 2nd Street
Richmond, VA 23219
Phone: (804) 371-7170

Law Number

Code of Virginia, Chap. 9, Sec. 27-94 et seq. Statewide Fire Prevention Code

Statute(s)

VA Chapter 9. Statewide Fire Prevention Code Act
<https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title27/chapter9/>

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