



Isle of Man Government

Reil'tys Ellan Vannin

Application for exemption under the Firework Act 2004 Section 4(5)(c)

Organisations such as charities, committees, and other such persons or class of persons can apply under Section 4(5)(c) of the Firework Act 2004 to become exempt from making applications to the Department in order to hold a firework display outside of prescribed dates.

The list of such organisations will be held at the Department of Home Affairs, contact Claire Newall on 694323 or claire.newall@dha.gov.im for further information. In addition such organisations etc will be subject to listing in a prescribed order subject to the approval of Tynwald.

There are certain criteria required in order to be included on the list prescribed by the Department.

The department requires the information listed below to be provided on the attached application form from your organisation in order to consider your application for inclusion on the exemption list.

- For Charities –
- A copy of your registration.
 - A copy of the minute from the meeting at which the application for exemption was discussed.
 - Responsible persons' details and contact numbers.
 - The likely regularity of the firework event.
 - The likely location of the event.
 - Explanation and reasons why you would like to be included on the list.
- For Committees -
- A copy of your constitution.
 - A copy of the minute from meeting at which the application for exemption was discussed.
 - Responsible persons' details and contact numbers.
 - The likely regularity of the firework event.

The likely location of the event.
Explanation and reasons why you would like to be included on the list.

For Clubs - A copy of your constitution/status/Rules or relevant documentation.
A copy of the minute from meeting at which the application for exemption was discussed.
Responsible persons' details and contact numbers.
The likely regularity of the firework event.
The likely location of the event.
Explanation and reasons why you would like to be included on the list.

Each application must contain the above information that is relevant to your organisation and a completed application form.

Once you have been added to the list (you will receive written confirmation from the Department) the responsible person must email julie.cross@dha.gov.im with the details of the display, which will be forwarded on to the Isle of Man Constabulary, the Fire and Rescue Service, the Emergency Services Joint Control Room and the Coastguards on your behalf.

You must email the details of each display to the Department to ensure the Emergency Services are notified of the display. The email must be received 2 weeks before the event

Firework(s) should not be discharged after midnight by the prescribed organisation.

The responsible person must out of courtesy consider notifying the following in the area of display –

- Hospital
- Veterinary Practice
- Retirement Home
- Boarding Kennels or Cattery
- Riding Stables
- Farms with livestock
- Neighbours with domestic animals

The responsible person must publicise, in the immediate area, the date and time the event is to take place by way of a notice provided by the Department of Home Affairs.

The responsible person must be 18 years or over.

In the event that there are any problems with displays, consideration will be given as to whether the organisation should be removed from the list and Tynwald approval sought for such removal

The Events Safety Advisory Group can be contacted for advice or guidance for events where public access is intended. The Group can be contacted through the Health and Safety at Work Inspectorate, Murray House, Mount Havelock, Douglas IM1 2SF, telephone 01624 685952 or email eventsafety.dlge@gov.im

Fireworks exempt under Schedule 1 of the Fireworks Act 2004

1. An amorce, that is, a percussion cap designed for use in toys, which comprises a paper envelope containing a dot of impact-sensitive pyrotechnic composition and which forms part of a roll.
2. A cap, that is, a device (including, for the avoidance of doubt, an amorce) designed for use in toys which comprises a non-metallic envelope or cup containing a dot of impact-sensitive pyrotechnic composition, and which produces a report when it is hit.
3. A cracker snap, that is, a device which –
 - (a) comprises 2 overlapping strips of card or paper with a friction-sensitive explosive composition in sliding contact with an abrasive surface; and
 - (b) produces a report when pulled apart.
4. A novelty match, that is, a match with a dot of pyrotechnic composition which is designed to be held in the hand while functioning and whose functioning involves report or the production of visual effects, or both.
5. A party popper, that is, a device –
 - (a) which is designed to be held in the hand while functioning,
 - (b) which is operated by a pull string with an abrasive surface in sliding contact with a friction-sensitive pyrotechnic composition; and
 - (c) whose functioning involves a report with the ejection of streamers or confetti, or both.
6. A serpent, that is, a pre-formed shape of pyrotechnic composition, with or without support, whose functioning involves the generation of expanded residue.
7. A sparkler, that is, a rigid wire partially coated with slow-burning pyrotechnic composition, whose functioning involves the emission of sparks without report.
8. A throwdown, that is, a device comprising impact sensitive explosive composition and grains of inert material wrapped in paper or foil, which functions to produce a report when thrown onto the ground.



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Public Notice

Details of the responsible person

Title(Mr/Mrs/Miss)		Forename		Surname	
Address					
				Post Code	
Daytime tel. no.			Mobile		
Email					

Display Details

Date of display		Time	between		and	
Location of display						
		Postcode				
Approx. attendance						

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