

TOWN OF DENMARK

FIREWORKS SALE, MANUFACTURE & STORAGE ORDINANCE

1. TITLE AND AUTHORITY

This ordinance shall be known as the "Town of Denmark Fireworks Sale, Manufacture & Storage Ordinance." It is adopted pursuant to the enabling provisions of the Maine Constitution, the Provisions of 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3001, and the provisions of 8 M.R.S.A. Section 223-A

2. DEFINITIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH 8 M.R.S.A. SECTION 221-A, SUBSECTION 1-A

Consumer Fireworks: "Consumer Fireworks" has the same meaning as in 27 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 555.11 or subsequent provision, but includes only products that are tested and certified by a third-party testing laboratory as conforming with United States Consumer Product Safety Commission standards, in accordance with 15 United States Code, Chapter 47.

"Consumer Fireworks" does not include the following products:

- A. Missiles type rockets, as defined by the State Fire Marshal by rule;
- B. Helicopters and aerial spinners, as defined by the State Fire Marshal by rule; and
- C. Sky rockets and bottle rockets. For purposes of this paragraph, "sky rockets and bottle rockets" means cylindrical tubes containing not more than 20 grams of chemical composition, as defined by the State Fire Marshal by rule, with a wooden stick attached for guidance and stability that rise into the air upon ignition and that may produce a burst of color or sound at or near the height of flight.

Fireworks: "Fireworks" means any:

- A. Combustible or explosive composition or substance
- B. Combination of explosive compositions or substances;
- C. Other article that was prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration or detonation, including blank cartridges or toy cannons in which explosives are used, the type of balloon that requires fire underneath to propel it, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, Roman candles, bombs, rockets, wheels, colored fires, fountains, mines, serpents and other Fireworks of like construction;
- D. Fireworks containing any explosive or flammable compound; or
- E. Tablets or other device containing any explosive substance or flammable compounds.

The term "Fireworks" does not include Consumer Fireworks or toy pistols, toy canes, toy guns or other devices in which paper caps or plastic caps containing 25/100 grains or less of explosive compound are used if they are constructed so that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion, toy pistol paper caps or plastic caps that contain less than 20/100 grains of explosive mixture,

sparklers that do not contain magnesium chlorates or perchlorate or signal, antique or replica cannons if no projectile is fired.

3. SALES, MANUFACTURER & STORAGE

The sale, manufacture & storage of Consumer Fireworks & Fireworks is prohibited.

4. CIVIL PENALTIES

Whoever violates any of the provisions of the foregoing Sections shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) per occurrence and not more than twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per occurrence, plus attorneys fees and costs.