

PORTLAND FIRE & RESCUE

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FIR 3.10 - SMALL SCALE SPECIAL EFFECTS

I. SCOPE

- A. This policy is established February 26, 1991.
- B. The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the use of small scale special effects in performances.
- C. This policy shall apply within all areas in which Portland Fire & Rescue has fire prevention authority.

II. SPECIFIC

- A. Definitions
 - 1. Small Scale Special Effect: Fire, flash, small explosion, limited smoke effect or similar effect normally produced on-stage as part of a night club, theater, or other performance.

III. GUIDANCE

- A. A generic conditional use permit shall be issued at no charge.
 - 1. Demonstration of the special effect may be requested at the discretion of the permit issuer.
 - 2. Permit conditions shall designate type and amount of flash powder, Lycopodium for smoke effect, etc., to be used.
 - 3. Separation distance from combustibles, other persons, etc., must be specified.
 - 4. An extinguisher with a minimum 2A-10BC rating, and a person trained in the use of the extinguisher, must be placed within 50 feet of the point where the special effect is performed.

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