

Benton Fire Department

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Fireworks Retail Sales Checklist

The Benton Fire Department enforces local ordinances and state laws regarding the sales and use of fireworks. The 2012 Arkansas Fire Prevention Code, Arkansas Fireworks Code (Subchapter 7), and Benton City Ordinance #32 of 2013 outline the regulations, requirements and prohibitions as related to fireworks.

Minimum Requirements for Retail Sales

The following items are the minimum requirements of the Benton Fire Department for the retail sale of fireworks:

1. **Firework Retail Sales Permit** from Arkansas State Police – Office of the State Fire Marshal
2. **“FIREWORKS – NO SMOKING” signs** (with letters not less than 4” high) posted at each entrance and around the perimeter of the sales area. Signs are also required where fireworks are stored.
3. **Pressurized-water portable fire extinguisher(s)** or **charged water hose** connected to a water system.
4. **Stand Location not within fifty feet (50’)** of:
 - a. Motor vehicle fuel dispensing station dispensers
 - b. Retail propane dispensing station dispensers
 - c. Above-ground storage tanks for flammable or combustible liquids.
 - d. Flammable gases or flammable liquified gases
 - e. Compressed natural gas dispensing facilities.
5. **Two Exits (Means of Egress)** minimum must be provided for tents or covered stands with limited access.

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