




COLORADO SPRINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT
Division of the Fire Marshal
Administrative Ruling



Number:	2021-1		
Subject:	Fireworks, Pyrotechnics, and Flame Effects		
Reference:	<i>2015 International Fire Code, Section 5608 Fireworks Display</i> <i>Ordinance 18-50, Fire Prevention Code and Standards, Section 5608.1</i>		
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PURPOSE: The purpose of this ruling is to reduce risks to life and property from fire or explosion associated with fireworks, pyrotechnics, and flame effects by supplementing mandates of the adopted *International Fire Code (IFC)* and its associated Fire Prevention Code and Standards (*Ordinance 18-50*).

SCOPE: This ruling applies to the display of fireworks, pyrotechnics, and flame effects, including proximate audience displays and pyrotechnic or flame effects.

DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE: Discovery shows, the City Council approved amendments to the *2015 International Fire Code, Section 5608 (Fireworks Display)*, as stated in the *Ordinance 18-50, Fire Prevention Code and Standards, Section 5608.1* require clarification specific to requirements and processes.

DECISION: Specific to IFC Section 5608.1 (General):

The display of fireworks and pyrotechnics, including proximate audience displays and pyrotechnic and flame effects, shall comply with IFC Section 5608, as amended in Section 5608.1, Part 1, Article 4, Chapter 8 of the *Colorado Springs Code of Ordinances Fire Prevention Code and Standards*, and NFPA 160, NFPA 1123, NFPA 1126, and the [Colorado Springs Fire Department Firework, Pyrotechnic and Flame Effect Productions](#) guidelines.