

Fireworks Stand

Municipal Zoning

Be sure to contact the city, town, and county to see if you can operate the business in your chosen location. **Some cities and towns do not allow fireworks stands to operate in their municipality.**

Federal

- Federal Employer Identification Number (if hiring employees and not subcontracting) (EIN) [irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov)

State

- Register your LLC, LLP, or Corporation (SCSOS) - sos.sc.gov
- Sales Tax License (SCDOR) If you are seasonal be sure to indicate this - dor.sc.gov
- Business Personal Property Tax (SCDOR) - dor.sc.gov
- Fireworks Retail Sales Permit (LLR) - llr.state.sc.us
- State Fire Marshall Inspection (DSFM)

Municipal

- City Business License [more info](#)
- County Business License [more info](#)
- Building Inspection
- Sign Inspection

Hiring Employees

It is a common practice for fireworks stands to subcontract (1099) out their seasonal help, but if you are going to hire employees, you will need to do the following:

- Obtain an EIN (IRS) – [irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov)
- Register w/E-Verify (report within 3 days of employment) (DHS) – e-verify.gov
- Register w/SC New Hire (report within 20 days after employees first day of work) (SCDSS) - newhire.sc.gov
- Register with SC Dept of Revenue for Withholding (SCDOR) – MyDORWAY.dor.sc.gov
- Register with SC Dept of Employment and Workforce for Unemployment Insurance (SCDEW) – dew.sc.gov
- Order or Print employment workplace posters (LLR) – llr.state.sc.us
- Obtain Workers Compensation Insurance (if required, [click here for more info](#))

Other Considerations

- See the Fireworks Retail Permit Application (LLR) for more info on required signs, extinguishers, etc.
- The fire marshal may require you to have stock displayed on your shelves for their inspection; this seems like a catch-22 as you normally have to be licensed (and pass inspection) in order to get stock from a wholesaler or manufacturer.
- Per SC Code of Laws 40-56-230, you will be required to carry \$1,000,000 liability insurance in order to operate.
- The process can be lengthy to get approval, plan to start the process well before your open date.**

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