

CITY OF MANTECA
FIRE DEPARTMENT

SAFE & SANE FIREWORKS

PRESENTATION



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PERMIT REGULATIONS

CITY OF MANTECA MUNICIPAL CODE

§ 8.08.130 Maximum number firework sales booths—permits issued.

A.

The maximum number of permits which the city may issue during any one calendar year shall not exceed one sales permit for each five thousand population or portion thereof, in addition to one permit for the city, **based on the Fire Chief's approval.**

B.

The city council is hereby authorized to establish, by resolution, a lottery process for which the permits will be issued. The permit will be effective for the year in which it is issued.

([Ord. O2024-08](#), 5/21/2024)

*Current population in the City of Manteca is 93,000, which allows a maximum of 18 booths for non-profit use and one for the City, totaling 19 booths per the MMC. For the past several years, we have limited the number of booths to 14 for non-profit organizations.



PERMIT REGULATIONS



Neighboring Jurisdictions Summary

- **Modesto:**

- Number of permitted booths is 70, not subject to population ratio
- Booths assigned by lottery

- **Lathrop:**

- Number of booths permitted: 1:6,000 residents, approximately 6 booths
- Booths assigned by lottery

- **Tracy:**

- Number of permitted booths: 1:10,000 residents, approximately 10 booths
- Booths assigned by lottery

- **Escalon:**

- Number of booths permitted is 4, not subject to population ratio
- Booths assigned by lottery

- **Lodi:**

- Number of permitted booths is 6, not subject to population ratio
- Booths assigned by lottery

- **Stockton:**

- Number of permitted booths is 30, not subject to population ratio
- Booths assigned by lottery

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Neighboring Jurisdictions Fees

- **Modesto:**
 - Permit fee of \$350 per booth
 - Task force enforcement flat fee of \$257 charged to the vendor.
- **Stockton:**
 - Application fee of \$35
 - Permit fee of \$275 per booth.
 - Task Force enforcement flat fee paid by non-profit groups of \$600.
- **Lodi:**
 - Application fee of \$35
 - Permit fee of \$300 per booth
 - 7% Deposit, from non-profit, based on projected sales estimate. Goes toward the cost recovery of Task Force Teams



FIREWORK COMPANY INCENTIVES DISCUSSIONS

1 PHANTOM FIREWORKS

Phantom Fireworks

Representatives have offered to provide (2) complimentary show packages to the City of Manteca for demonstration purposes.

2 TNT FIREWORKS

TNT Fireworks

Representatives have offered to provide a signage campaign on behalf of the Manteca Fire Department to promote the use of Safe and Sane Fireworks and deter the use of illegal fireworks in the City of Manteca.

COSTS AND RECOVERY



- FD up staffing costs:
 - Fire Inspectors - 40 hrs. OT - \$3,547.22
 - One Engine Co. - 72 hrs. OT - \$4,903.81
 - **Total FD Upstaffing Cost - \$8,451.03**
- PD up staffing costs:
 - PD Professional Staff (3)
 - PD Sworn Personnel (36)
 - Total PD OT hours - 349.25
 - **Total PD Upstaffing Cost - \$76,934.13**
- Illegal fireworks enforcement:
 - 2025 - 109 citations, \$130,255 fees assessed.
 - 2024 - 37 citations, \$34,965 fees assessed.
 - 2023 - 30 citations, \$28,350 fees assessed.



COUNCIL OPTIONS



- **Booth Fees – Current \$150 per booth: consider an increase to align with surrounding jurisdictions and adding an application fee.**
- **Task Force Fee – Joint venture FD/PD Enforcement of Illegal Fireworks.**
- **Surcharge on booth sales – non-profit deposit.**
- **Consider incentive offers from TNT and Phantom.**

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

- Charging a \$35 booth application fee. Effective 2027. Paid by booth operator.
- Increasing booth permit fees from \$150 to \$250 per booth, effective this year. Paid by booth operator.
- Accept product donations from Phantom Fireworks to support a City-hosted community event, subject to City Attorney review and compliance with all applicable safety standards.
- Accepting awareness/safety signage and messaging from TNT Fireworks Inc.





THANK YOU



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