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Fire Department to Present Class on Indoor Pyrotechnics

Theaters that use indoor pyrotechnics must have state licensed operators

Branson Fire Rescue will be presenting a course on the safe use of indoor pyrotechnics used before a live audience to prepare theater owners, operators and pyrotechnic technicians for testing to receive a license through the Missouri Division of Fire Safety.

State law requires pyrotechnic or special effect operators to attend a certified training program, test their knowledge on the use of indoor pyrotechnics, and obtain a license from the State Fire Marshal's Office. In addition, all theaters using indoor pyrotechnics must apply for and secure a permit from the Branson Fire Rescue.

The four-hour course will be presented on Wednesday, February 24 at 1:00 p.m. At the completion of the training course participants will be eligible to take the written exam given by the Missouri Fire Marshal's Office. Currently licensed pyrotechnic operators may also attend to earn required continuing education credits.

The course will be held at the fire department's training center located at the Red Roof Mall located at 500 Gretna Road in Building 13.

To register for the course or for additional information, contact Branson Fire Rescue at (417) 243-2790. Applicants will need to order a copy 2016 edition of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 1126 prior to the class date. This Standard can be ordered through the website www.nfpa.org.