

SPECIAL AMUSEMENT BUILDINGS

Scope:

Haunted or fun houses or other similar installations set up for 90 days or less inside a structure not designed for this specific use.

Permit:

A permit must be obtained from the Fire Marshal's Office. Attach to the permit application a floor plan which shows the travel path, location of the exits, location of fire extinguishers, list the types of flame resistive treated decorative materials, and provide an evacuation procedure.

- ___ Dead-end corridors are not permitted. Aisles are at least 4 feet wide and 6 feet 8 inches high.
- ___ 2. There must be an obvious (signed) exit out of any maze for every 50 feet of linear travel.
- ___ 3. All stairways must be illuminated to a level of at least 1 foot-candle.
- ___ 4. Groups shall not exceed 20 persons. Each group of children age 12 or under shall be accompanied and supervised by a staff person who is 18 years of age or older. The staff person shall have an operable flashlight and be familiar with the facility.
- ___ 5. Smoking is not permitted in the facility, post "No Smoking" signs.
- ___ 6. Electrical installations shall meet the requirements of the Electrical Code.
- ___ 7. A permit application must be submitted and approved before the facility is open to the public.
- ___ 8. The maximum number of persons allowed in the facility at any time shall be determined by the Fire Marshal's Office during the review of the permit application.
- ___ 9. Open-flame devices and temporary heaters are not permitted in the facility at any time.
- ___ 10. Decorative materials (wood, foam, textiles, cornstalks, hay, dry branches, etc) shall be flame resistant. Untreated combustible materials are prohibited. Proof of flame resistive treatment shall be provided with the application and confirmed during the inspection.
- ___ 11. Exits are a minimum 3 feet wide and 6 feet 8 inches in height and all exits have egress signage as required by the fire official. All required exits and access to exits shall not be obstructed or locked. Every exit way shall be kept clear of obstructions and storage.
- ___ 12. Travel distance to a portable fire extinguisher shall not exceed 50 feet The minimum classification (type) shall be 2-A:10-B:C and mounted in a conspicuous location no higher than 5 ft. Staff members shall be instructed in the proper use of the extinguishers.
- ___ 13. The fire official may require staff guides and additional means of electronic communications.

Note: These are the more common violations seen by fire officials for this type of occupancy. This is only a guide to assist you with your fire inspection. The fire official may or may not find other violations.