POLICY FOR THE USE OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS IN THE TOWN OF HANCOCK.

The purpose of this policy is to insure the safe and orderly use of permissible Consumer Fireworks in any and all areas of the town.

Consumer Fireworks as defined by Federal Regulations under 27 CFR section 555.11 are as follows. Any small firework device designed to produce visible effects by combustion and which must comply with the construction, chemical composition, and labeling regulations of the U.S. Consumer Products Safety. Some small devices designed to produce audible effects are included, such as whistling devices, ground devices containing 50 mg or less of explosive materials and aerial devices containing 130 mg or less of explosive material. (A further definition may be found in New Hampshire RSA 160-C:1.)

It is the responsibility of the sponsoring individual to be sure that the fireworks to be used meet these guidelines.

An application can be obtained at the Town Office and must be completed by the sponsoring individual. Once completed the Fire Chief and the Police Chief must approve, date, and sign the application. This process must take place at least 15 days prior to the date of the display.

Failure to obtain a permit can result in a fine.