

MOTION PICTURE AND FILMING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with State law and the Folsom Municipal Code, the Fire Department has the responsibility to regulate fire, life, and panic safety associated with filming activities. Section 105.6.49 of the Folsom Fire Code states: A permit shall be obtained from the Fire Prevention Division prior to engaging in the following ...to conduct activities related to the production of motion pictures, televisions, commercials, and similar productions.

For most productions, the Fire Department will verify compliance with State Fire Marshal regulations, Folsom Fire Code requirements, and City of Folsom permit requirements by conducting spot inspections throughout the course of the production. The City recovers costs associated with these inspections by charging a Fire Code Inspection Fee.

If these inspections reveal significant or repeated fire and life safety violations, or nonpermitted activities are discovered, all filming activity will be temporarily suspended and <u>will not be resumed until all violations are corrected and a Fire Safety Officer is assigned</u> <u>and on location</u>. The Fire Safety Officer will be required for the duration of the filming. The current Fire Safety Officer fee is \$94.10/hour. This fee must be paid at the time the Fire Safety Officer is assigned for the production.

NOTE: Complex or hazardous productions may require a Fire Safety Officer during a portion or the duration of the production.

Below is a non-inclusive list of general Fire Department condition required during filming activities (There may be other conditions dependent on the specific production):

- 1. A call sheet containing call times, shooting schedule, production company contact information, and crew assignments shall be provided to the Fire Department the day before the day of filming.
- 2. The required width of fire apparatus access roads shall not be obstructed in any manner, including parking of vehicles.
- 3. Fire hydrants shall remain unobstructed at all times.

- 4. Means of egress shall not be obstructed in any manner and shall remain free of any material or matter where its presence would obstruct or render the means of egress hazardous.
- 5. Smoking is prohibited within any building used for filming and "NO SMOKING" signs shall be posted. An approved smoking area outside the building shall be identified for cast and crew use and noncombustible ash containers provided.
- 6. The filming location shall be maintained in a neat and orderly manner, free from any condition that would create a fire or life hazard; or would add or contribute to the spread of fire.
- 7. Combustible litter or waste shall not be allowed to accumulate in the building used for filming or around the exterior. Combustible waste and rubbish shall be stored in approved containers.
- 8. Internal combustion power sources, including generators, lighting units and similar equipment shall be isolated from contact with the public by either physical guards, fencing or an enclosure. Generators shall be kept 10 feet or more from combustible vegetation and 20 feet or more from tents and canopies. An approved spark arrestor shall be provided on internal combustion power equipment when it is located within 200 feet of a hazardous vegetation area.
- 9. Electrical equipment and installations shall comply with the California Electrical Code. Cords, cables, lighting, and other electrical equipment shall be maintained so they do not obstruct the means of egress or cause a trip hazard. Cables subject to damage from vehicles shall be protected by cable ramps or bridges.
- 10. Manufacturer's recommended clearance shall be maintained between set lighting and combustible materials or construction.
- 11. Portable fire extinguishers shall be provided on location as required by the Fire Marshal. The maximum travel distance to a portable fire extinguisher shall not exceed 75 feet (22,860 mm). Portable fire extinguishers shall be rated for 2A-10BC protection coverage. Said portable fire extinguisher shall have a current maintenance tag affixed to it from a California State Fire Marshal licensed technician showing annual servicing. Portable fire extinguishers shall be visible and remain unobstructed at all times.
- 12. Tents and temporary membrane structures shall be composed of flame resistant material approved by the California State Fire Marshal. Tents shall have a permanently affixed label bearing proof of State Fire Marshal compliance with the flame resistant material standards of California. Tents having an area in excess of 200 square feet (18.6 m2) and canopies in excess of 400 square feet (37.2 m2) may require a separate Fire Department permit and shall be maintained in accordance with the Fire Code. Contact the Fire Marshal for permit requirements.

- 13. The use of pyrotechnic materials requires a separate Fire Department permit and shall be performed under the regulations established by the California State Fire Marshal. Contact the Fire Marshal for permit requirements.
- 14. The use of flame, fire or other special effects requires a separate Fire Department permit and shall be performed in accordance with the Fire Code. Contact the Fire Marshal for permit requirements.
- 15. The use of refueling vehicles requires a separate Fire Department permit and shall be accordance with the Fire Code. Contact the Fire Marshal for permit requirements.