Policy Title: Fireworks/Pyrotechnics

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**SUMMARY:**

The possession or use of fireworks and/or pyrotechnic devices is strictly prohibited or strictly regulated on all Coastal Carolina University properties, including buildings, grounds and vehicles – whether University owned or managed – or at any University hosted, registered or affiliated event, held either on or off campus, including University related travel.

**DEFINITIONS:**

Fireworks - combustible or explosive composition or any article prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or an audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration, or detonation. Fireworks include, but are not limited to, firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, roman candles, and other similar devices.

Pyrotechnic devices – similar to fireworks, however, pyrotechnics and pyrotechnic devices are used in the entertainment industry rather than the consumer market.

**POLICY:**

I. **POLICY**

The students, faculty and staff of Coastal Carolina University can best learn, work and live in an environment free from the dangers and constraints, both physical and psychological, which can arise from the presence or use of fireworks. Further, the University is committed to reducing the risk of bodily injury or death due to intentional, accidental, inexpert or improper use of fireworks.

Therefore, the possession or use of fireworks and/or pyrotechnic devices is strictly prohibited or strictly regulated on all Coastal Carolina University properties, including buildings, grounds and vehicles – whether University owned or managed – or at any University hosted, registered or affiliated event, held either on or off campus. Additionally, this policy applies to all Coastal Carolina University sponsored travel.
This policy applies to all Coastal Carolina University faculty, staff, students, organizations, and visitors. A Coastal Carolina University student, faculty or staff member in violation of this policy will be subject to University disciplinary policies and procedures.

II. SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS

Coastal Carolina University or groups affiliated with the University may want to plan events that will use fireworks or pyrotechnic devices. Authorization for these events, either on or off campus, may be granted on a case-by-case basis. Requests for exceptions to the fireworks policy must be made in writing to the President of the University or designee no later than sixty (60) days in advance. This request must include approval and any specified conditions from the State Fire Marshall in accordance with all applicable Federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations, and a site plan and safety review by the City of Conway Fire Department.

Additionally, any licensed individual or firms conducting the fireworks and/or pyrotechnics may only do so through a contractual agreement with the University that has been reviewed and approved in advance by the University’s Office of Risk Management.