

# Fireworks Displays Policy – Private Requests

## 1 Preamble

#### 1.1 Background

- 1.1.1. By law, individual members of the public are not permitted to conduct fireworks displays on private property. There does, however, remain a consumer demand and legal capability for fireworks displays to be held in conjunction with public events and corporate functions.
- 1.1.2. While such requests are infrequent, approaches are made to Council for the use of high profile foreshore areas and reserves for fireworks displays.
- 1.1.3. Council has established strict procedural guidelines for the staging of fireworks in conjunction with Council-owned activities and events. It is prudent that a similar policy approach is adopted when fireworks are staged in conjunction with private and/or corporate activities.

#### 1.2 Purpose

- 1.2.1. The objectives of this policy are to ensure that:
  - a. All statutory and regulatory obligations are fulfilled in gaining permission for, and the subsequent staging of, a fireworks display.
  - b. The highest possible public safety standards are established and maintained prior to, throughout and following the display.
  - c. Nearby members of the public who may be affected by the display are fully informed of the planned activity and that there are no unreasonable impacts on the local community.
  - d. Adequate planning and notification measures are taken with regard to the safety and well-being of domestic pets and animals that may be exposed to the fireworks display.

#### 1.3 Scope

1.3.1. This policy applies to all fireworks displays within the City of Holdfast Bay.

## 1.4 **Definitions**

1.4.1. There are no specific definitions associated with this policy.

#### 2 Policy Statement

2.1.1. The City of Holdfast Bay has established a policy on Fireworks Displays which is aimed at providing private organizations with information on Council's requirements to gain permission for, and subsequently set off fireworks on Council's parks and reserves

#### 3 References

## 3.1 Legislation

3.1.1. Local Government Act 1999

#### 3.2 Other References

There are no other references.

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