

The Western Pyrotechnic Association 2009 Western Winter Blast Convention

Rules and Guidelines for Fireworks and Chemical Vending, Display and Storage

All vendors should request a registration form packet from Lynden King skyking@elkgrove.net or download them from www.westernpyro.org. Those members wishing to vend at Winter Blast need to submit a Vendor Table Request Form, Winter Blast registration form, all waivers, and payments before December 31, 2008 to:

**WPA – Vending
P.O.Box 990
Fontana, CA 92334**

Vending space will be rented on a per table basis.

Remember you must also submit your WWB Member Registration Form & Waiver of Liability Form.

All vendors entering the event shall be current members of the WPA. Spouses of the vendor do not need to hold a membership in the WPA but must be registered as a spouse and pay the applicable registration fee. All others working with vendors must hold a current WPA membership and pay all applicable event registration fees.

The Board of Directors has lowered the cost of the tables in the C tent to \$50.00 each. Additionally, the tables being provided for the trade show are 24” longer than those formerly available at the Aquatic Center. They are 3’ x 8’. All vending tables will be \$50.00 each.

The Trade Show has been moved to SARA Park. It will be a separate tent, but located within the secure area near the Class C tent. It will have walls and some kind of covering (carpeting) on the ground to help keep the dust down.

Due to substantial renovations at SARA Park, a brand new area has become available for vending. It is located along the track access ramp behind the food vendor (where the old gate was). It is approximately 100 feet long and backed by a short chain link fence. This area has rough asphalt paving. It is open to the public, so during the evenings you will have that customer base, as well as WPA members to draw from. We are calling this area the “Outside Marketplace.” Items sold here must adhere to the same rules as in the trade show tent.

Vendors may use their own tables and tents in this “Outside Marketplace” location as long as they are registered as vendors for this event and have paid for vending table space in the trade show tent. Tables will be available for rent at this location, but must be requested on the Vendor Table Request Form. There is no security in this location, so it must be cleared out nightly.

1. The vending chairman will assign vending space with a preference to your chosen spaces. These will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Table Request Forms submitted without full payment will not be processed. Confirmations will be sent by email.
2. All vendors must be WPA members in good standing with all 2009 membership dues paid.

3. All vendors must be approved to vend by the WPA Vendor Chairman and the WPA Board of Directors.
4. **Trade Show and the Class C Tent must be completely cleared out, and have rented tables and chairs stacked by 12:00 noon on Monday. NO EXCEPTIONS will be made!**
5. **The Trade show will be closed on Sunday during the Business Meeting to allow vendors to attend.**
6. Before vending begins each day, only vendors and helpers shall be allowed in the sales areas. The vending areas will be open for setup at least an hour prior to vending.
7. All sales will be conducted inside the designated building or area. **Absolutely no sales will be allowed outside designated areas or outside of designated vending times.** Overnight storage will be allowed in the designated vendors parking area.
8. Sales in the Class C tent are limited to adult members of the WPA (18 years or older) or minors with a responsible adult member present. Customers **MUST** visibly display a convention badge and wrist band. **It is the vendor's responsibility to make sure that customers have valid WWB credentials.**
9. Sales may be shut down at any time by the convention chairpersons, safety chairperson, vending chairperson, security chairperson or any Board member if necessary for the safety or the best interest of the Club.
10. Anyone causing a safety hazard or rules violation may be evicted from the sales area and/or WWB event without reimbursement or notice. Sales may be resumed only upon clearance by the Vendor Chairperson or the Board of Directors.
11. All consumer fireworks items must be labeled as such with proper warning labels. All items sold are limited to ground reports of less than 50 mg., aerial reports of less than 130 mg., 3 to 8 second burning visco fuse igniters and bases (if required by federal law).
12. No packs or bundles of firecrackers with counterfeit or bogus labels may be sold in the vendor area unless the vendor prominently represents them as counterfeit.
13. **Vendors must have product liability insurance in the amount of at least \$1,000,000.00. A copy of the certificate must accompany your registration. The WPA must be named as an additional insured.**
14. All WPA fireworks policy and safety rules must be adhered to, including **NO SMOKING** within 50 feet of the vending building or 50 feet from any entrance.
15. Security may be available at the vending area. However, the WPA and its officials can not be held responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen items.
16. No alcoholic beverages of any kind will be allowed in the vending areas.

17. Each vendor will be responsible for cleanup and or damage to their area. Boxes and trash must be taken to the proper disposal area. A \$50.00 cleanup deposit fee is required and will be returned after the convention if your area is cleaned.
18. The attached indemnification form MUST be signed and returned by all vendors.
19. Marine signal flares may NOT be sold.
20. Time fuse and visco fuse may be sold in the consumer fireworks/chemical vending area.
21. All items for sale MUST have proper and accurate labeling.
22. Black powder can only be sold in manufacturer's one pound or less cans.
23. Quantities of non-consumer items on display shall be limited to one item, one-quarter pound of stars or comets (one comet if they weigh more than one-quarter pound) of each type, one one-pound can of Black Powder, one box of lance of each type, one case of match, and one box of electrical matches.
24. Non-consumer fireworks items must be stored overnight in approved magazines and if not used at the convention, returned to the ATF licensed owner before leaving the convention.
25. It is the policy of the WPA that all members attending the annual convention be in compliance with ALL local, state and federal laws regarding the handling, storage, transfer or use of any and all pyrotechnic materials regulated by law. Members who willfully and / or intentionally violate these laws governing the handling, storage, transfer or use of these pyrotechnic materials, shall, at the discretion of the Board, have their membership suspended or terminated or be subject to any other punitive action deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors of the WPA.

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Vendor Indemnification Form

In consideration of the undersigned being authorized to act as a vendor at the Western Pyrotechnic Association, Incorporated (WPA), 2009 Convention in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, the undersigned, individually and if applicable, on behalf of the Corporation as an officer thereof, does hereby agree to hold harmless the WPA, Incorporated, its officers, directors, and agents, from any and all claims which might arise from such action, that is, vending at said convention, including, but not limited to any claims or actions which may be advanced by the Consumer Product Safety Commission or other regulatory or law enforcement agency that any such activity is not in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission regulations and other applicable laws and further agrees to indemnify the WPA, its officers, directors, and agents from any loss, cost or expense which the WPA, its officers, directors, or agents, may sustain by any such claims, including, but not limited to court costs and attorneys' fees.

All vending must be in an approved WPA vending area; only to WPA members; compliant with all existing laws; and subject to final approval by the Chairpersons of safety, security and the Board of Directors.

Signed: _____ Title _____

(Type the vendor's name and address, and, if applicable, the Corporation name, the state in which it is incorporated, and indicate the capacity of the person signing on behalf of the corporation.)