

# Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles (Scotland) Act 2022

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#### PART 1

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- 2 Categories of fireworks

#### PART 2

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3 Application of Part

# Fireworks licensing

- 4 Requirement to have fireworks licence
- 5 Supply of fireworks to unlicensed persons

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- 12 Revocation of fireworks licence
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- 16 False or altered licences and documents

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- 17 Power of Scottish Ministers to make arrangements for certain functions
- 18 Power to make further provision
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- 1 Regulatory authorities or those acting under the direction of a regulatory authority
- 2 It is not an offence under section 4(1) for a...
- 3 It is not an offence under section 5(1) (supply of...
- 4 It is not an offence under section 24(1) (restriction on...
- 5 It is not an offence under section 27(2)(a) (firework control...
- 6 It is not an offence under section 36(1) (prohibition of...
- 7 Professional organisers or operators of fireworks displays or pyrotechnics displays
- 8 It is not an offence under section 5(1) (supply of...

- 9 It is not an offence under section 21(1) (prohibition on...
- 10 It is not an offence under section 22(1) (restriction on...
- 11 It is not an offence under section 24(1) (restriction on...
- 12 It is not an offence under section 27(2)(a) (firework control...
- 13 It is not an offence under section 36(1) (prohibition of...
- Business or supply in accordance with Pyrotechnic Articles (Safety) Regulations 2015
- 15 It is not an offence under section 5(1) (supply of...
- 16 It is not an offence under section 22(1) (restriction on...
- 17 It is not an offence under section 24(1) (restriction on...
- 18 It is not an offence under section 27(2)(a) (firework control...
- 19 It is not an offence under section 36(1) (prohibition of...
- 20 Organiser of a public fireworks display
- 21 It is not an offence under section 24(1) (restriction on...
- 22 It is not an offence under section 27(2)(a) (firework control...
- 23 It is not an offence under section 35(1) (prohibition of...
- 24 It is not an offence under section 36(1) (prohibition of...
- 25 Persons under 18 in education, training or employment
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- 27 It is not an offence under section 22(1) (restriction on...
- 28 Public servants and volunteers in similar roles
- 29 It is not an offence under section 35(1) (prohibition of...
- 30 (1) In paragraphs 28 and 29, "armed forces" means naval,...

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- 1 General
- 2 Power to purchase fireworks
- 3 Power to observe carrying on of business etc.
- 4 Power to enter premises without warrant
- 5 Power to inspect and test fireworks
- 6 Power to seize and retain items
- 7 Powers in relation to documents
- 8 Power to break open container etc.
- 9 Power of entry with warrant
- 10 Power to require assistance from person on premises
- 11 Access to seized items and documents
- 12 Notice of testing of item
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