

WAC 212-17-053 Altered consumer fireworks—Dangerous firework.

(1) It is illegal to alter any firework from its originally manufactured form and intended use except as provided in subsection (3) of this section.

(2) It is illegal to possess, sell, purchase, store, or discharge any dangerous fireworks.

(3) The altering of a consumer or display firework can only be done legally when:

(a) For the purpose of this section a licensed pyrotechnic operator or person(s) under the direct supervision of a licensed pyrotechnic operator altering a fuse as part of a public display for consumer fireworks that are electronically fired is not considered a dangerous fireworks.

(b) A person without a pyrotechnic operator's license cannot alter fireworks.

This would include using an igniter attached to the fuse for electronically firing of the device.

This does not include the use of:

(i) A nonpyrogen type initiator that clips onto the fuse and a heated wire is the source of ignition.

(ii) Other nonregulated initiator approved by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

(c) This section does not apply to law enforcement, government agency, testing laboratory, or designated hazardous material transportation carrier who is transporting dangerous fireworks to a destruction site.

(4) Penalties for violations of this section are provided in WAC 212-17-515.

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