

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

## FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

## **AMUSEMENT PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

Appendix Chapter 1, Section 105.6.2 of the Los Angeles County Fire Code states An operational permit is required to operate a special amusement building.

**SPECIAL AMUSEMENT BUILDING.** A building that is temporary, permanent or mobile that contains a device or system that conveys passengers or provides a walkway along, around or over a course in any direction as a form of amusement arranged so that the egress path is not readily apparent.

**Open flame.** A person shall not utilize or allow to be utilized, an open flame in connection with a public meeting or gathering for purposes of deliberation, worship, entertainment, amusement, instruction, education, recreation, awaiting transportation or similar purpose in Group A or E occupancies without first obtaining a permit in accordance with Appendix Chapter 1, Section 105.6.

**Special amusement buildings.** An approved automatic smoke detection system shall be provided in special amusement buildings in accordance with this section.

**Exception:** In areas where ambient conditions will cause a smoke detection system to alarm, an approved alternative type of automatic detector shall be installed.

## Emergency voice/alarm communication system.

An emergency voice/alarm communication system, which is also allowed to serve as a public address system, shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 72 and be audible throughout the entire special amusement building.

**Special amusement buildings.** Special amusement buildings shall comply with Sections 914.7.1 and 914.7.2.

**Automatic sprinkler system.** Special amusement buildings shall be equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1. Where the special amusement building is temporary, the sprinkler water supply shall be of an approved temporary means.

**Exception:** Automatic sprinklers are not required where the total floor area of a temporary special amusement building is less than 1,000 square feet (93 m2) and the travel distance from any point to an exit is less than 50 feet (15 240 mm).

**Automatic fire detection.** Special amusement buildings shall be equipped with an automatic fire detection system in accordance with Section 907.2.11.

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