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**Explosive Substances (Classification of Fireworks) Notification 2007**

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In exercise of the powers vested in him by section 4B of the Explosive Substances Ordinance **(a)**, the Inspector of Explosive Substances establishes the following list of classifications of fireworks —

**Citation and Commencement**

**1.** This notification may be cited as the Explosive Substances (Classification of Fireworks) Notification 2007 and shall come into force on the day of its publication in the Gazette.

**List of fireworks**

**CATEGORY 1: Low intensity entertainment fireworks**

- (a) Sparklers and sparkles, the type and size of which have been approved by the Inspector of Explosive Substances;
- (b) Christmas crackers, party poppers and any fun snaps the type and size of which have been approved by the Inspector of Explosive Substances;
- (c) Fireworks which, in the Republic, would be within scope of the Basic Requirements (Toys) Regulations of the Republic (P.I. 384/2002).
- No licence of the kind prescribed by section 4(1)(d) and (e) of the Explosive Substances Ordinance is required in respect of the storage, transport, possession or use of fireworks within Category 1 where they are in the possession of any person who is entitled to possess or use them in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions issued in respect of the fireworks in their possession and the amount does not exceed 1000 items.
- Fireworks within category 1 are excluded from the requirements of regulation 47(b) of the Explosive Substances Regulations 1940 **(b)**.

**CATEGORY 2: Safety equipment fireworks**

Fireworks which are integrated in air bags or other safety equipment which are part of the functioning of such equipment.

- For the avoidance of doubt, flares, smoke signs or other similar fireworks which through use on their own may constitute safety or rescue equipment do not fall within this category.

**CATEGORY 3: Rescue sign fireworks**

Fireworks within scope of the Powerboat Regulations 2001 **(c)**.

- No licence of the kind prescribed by section 4(1)(d) and (e) of the Explosive Substances Ordinance is required in respect of the storage, transport, possession or use of fireworks within Category 3 provided they are kept or used for rescue purposes in the sea in accordance with the provisions of the Powerboat Regulations 2001.
- Fireworks within category 3 are excluded from the requirements of regulation 47(b) of the Explosive Substances Regulations 1940.

**CATEGORY 4: Fireworks for technical use.**

Fireworks used for technical applications of the kind which are included in category 1 of the Recommendations of the United Nations for the transport of hazardous merchandise (Orange Book).

**CATEGORY 5: High intensity entertainment fireworks**

All other entertainment fireworks which are not included in category 1 of this notification.

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**(a)** Statute Laws of Cyprus, revised edition, 1959.

**(b)** Sub. Leg. (Cyprus) 3/40.

**(c)** Public Instrument No. 52/2001.

- Fireworks within category 5 are high explosives substances in accordance with regulation 61 of the Explosive Substances Regulations 1940.

**CATEGORY 6: Other Fireworks**

Any fireworks not falling within categories 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 above.

- For any fireworks within category 6 which are to be imported from or exported to a member State of the European Union or the European Economic Area, the following is not required:
  - a licence to import the fireworks in accordance with section 4(1)(a) of the Explosive Substances Ordinance. This does not affect a person's obligation to obtain a licence to transport the fireworks in the Areas in accordance with section 4(1)(e) of that Ordinance.
  - an approval to export the fireworks in accordance with section 4(1)(f) of the Explosive Substances Ordinance.

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Dated this 8th day of January 2007.

(SBA/AG/2/CR/178/1)

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