

# City of Galesburg

## Fire Department

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### Haunted House Special Amusement

#### Organization's Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Completed form must be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to event date.

#### Event Information:

Event Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Event Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/St/Zip: Galesburg, Illinois 61401



Signature of Organization's Official \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

In order to be approved, your application **MUST** be submitted with:

- Fee : \$35
- A scaled floor plan; explanation of plans to meet related codes.

Questions? Please contact:

Fire Marshal

P: 309/345-3757

E: [fireinsp@ci.galesburg.il.us](mailto:fireinsp@ci.galesburg.il.us)

Submit completed applications at least 2 weeks prior to event to:

City of Galesburg

Fire Prevention Bureau

150 South Broad Street

Galesburg, IL 61401

#### For Office Use Only

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

This Application has been received and

- Approved - Permit # \_\_\_\_\_
- Denied

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

This form is available on the City's website at:

[www.ci.galesburg.il.us](http://www.ci.galesburg.il.us)

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**Related Code excerpts regarding Haunted Houses**

**Galesburg Adopted Fire Code: 2012 International Fire Code**

**907.2.12 Special amusement buildings.**

An automatic smoke detection system shall be provided in special amusement buildings in accordance with Sections 907.2.12.1 through 907.2.12.3.

**907.2.12.1 Alarm.**

Activation of any single smoke detector, the automatic sprinkler system or any other automatic fire detection device shall immediately activate an audible and visible alarm at the building at a constantly attended location from which emergency action can be initiated, including the capability of manual initiation of requirements in Section 907.2.12.2.

**907.2.12.2 System response.**

The activation of two or more smoke detectors, a single smoke detector equipped with an alarm verification feature, the automatic sprinkler system or other approved fire detection device shall automatically:

1. Cause illumination of the means of egress with light of not less than 1 footcandle (11 lux) at the walking surface level;
2. Stop any conflicting or confusing sounds and visual distractions;
3. Activate an approved directional exit marking that will become apparent in an emergency; and
4. Activate a prerecorded message, audible throughout the special amusement building, instructing patrons to proceed to the nearest exit. Alarm signals used in conjunction with the prerecorded message shall produce a sound which is distinctive from other sounds used during normal operation.

**907.2.12.3 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 Section 907.5.2.2 and be audible throughout the entire special amusement building.

**914.7 Special amusement buildings.**

Special amusement buildings shall comply with Sections 914.7.1 and 914.7.2.

**914.7.1 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 any point to an exit is less than 50 feet (15 240 mm).*

**914.7.2 Automatic smoke detection.**

Special amusement buildings shall be equipped with an automatic smoke detection system in accordance with Section 907.2.12.

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**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 due to visual or audio distractions or an intentionally confounded egress path, or is not readily available because of the mode of conveyance through the building or structure.

**State of Illinois adopted fire code: 2000 NFPA 101**

**13.4.7\* Special Amusement Buildings.**

**13.4.7.1**

Special amusement buildings, regardless of occupant load, shall meet the requirements for assembly occupancies in addition to the requirements of 13.4.7, unless the building is a building in which the multilevel play structures are not more than 10 ft (3 m) in height and have aggregate horizontal projections not exceeding 160 ft<sup>2</sup> (14.9 m<sup>2</sup>).

**13.4.7.2\***

Every special amusement building, other than buildings or structures not exceeding 10 ft (3 m) in height and not exceeding 160 ft<sup>2</sup> (14.9 m<sup>2</sup>) in horizontal projection, shall be protected throughout by an approved automatic sprinkler system installed and maintained in accordance with Section 9.7. Where the special amusement building is movable or portable, the sprinkler water supply shall be permitted to be provided by an approved, temporary means.

**13.4.7.3**

Where the nature of the special amusement building is such that it operates in reduced lighting levels, the building shall be protected throughout by an approved automatic smoke detection system in accordance with Section 9.6. Actuation of any smoke detection system device shall sound an alarm at a constantly attended location on the premises. Actuation of the automatic sprinkler system, or any other suppression system, or actuation of a smoke detection system having an approved verification or cross-zoning operation capability shall provide the following:

1. Cause illumination in the means of egress to increase to that required by Section 7.8
2. Stop any conflicting or confusing sounds and visuals

**13.4.7.4 Exit Marking.**

**13.4.7.4.1**

Exit marking shall be in accordance with Section 7.10.

**13.4.7.4.2**

Floor proximity exit signs shall be provided in accordance with 7.10.1.5.

**13.4.7.4.3\***

In special amusement buildings where mazes, mirrors, or other designs are used to confound the egress path, approved directional exit marking that becomes apparent in an emergency shall be provided.

**13.4.7.5 Interior Finish.**

Interior finish shall be Class A throughout in accordance with Section 10.2.

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**Illinois State fire code: 2000 NFPA 101 – Interior Finishes**

10.2.3.2\* Products required to be tested in accordance with NFPA 255, Standard Method of Test of Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials, shall be grouped in the following classes in accordance with their flame spread and smoke development.

- (a) Class A Interior Wall and Ceiling Finish. Flame spread 0-25; smoke development 0-450. Includes any material classified at 25 or less on the flame spread test scale and 450 or less on the smoke test scale. Any element thereof, when so tested, shall not continue to propagate fire.
- (b) Class B Interior Wall and Ceiling Finish. Flame spread 26-75; smoke development 0-450. Includes any material classified at more than 25 but not more than 75 on the flame spread test scale and 450 or less on the smoke test scale.
- (c) Class C Interior Wall and Ceiling Finish. Flame spread 76-200; smoke development 0-450. Includes any material classified at more than 75 but not more than 200 on the flame spread test scale and 450 or less on the smoke test scale.

Exception: Existing interior finish shall be exempt from the smoke development criteria

**2006 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE® COMMENTARY:**

Material	Flame spread
Glass-fiber sound-absorbing blanks	15 to 30
Mineral-fiber sound-absorbing panels	10 to 25
Shredded wood fiberboard (treated)	20 to 25
Sprayed cellulose fibers (treated)	20
Aluminum (with baked enamel finish on one side)	5 to 10
Asbestos-cement board	0
Brick or concrete block	0
Cork	175
Gypsum board (with paper surface on both sides)	10 to 25
Northern pine (treated)	20
Southern pine (untreated)	130 to 190
Plywood paneling (untreated)	75 to 275
Plywood paneling (treated)	100
Carpeting	10 to 600
Concrete	0

**Figure 803.1.1(3)  
TYPICAL FLAME SPREAD OF COMMON MATERIALS**