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SPECIAL EFFECTS
CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY

The newly revised Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code, (527 CMR 1.00), was effective as of December 9, 2022. The revised code adopts, in large part, the National Fire Prevention Association's (NFPA) Model Fire Code (NFPA 1 - 2021 Edition) with Massachusetts amendments.

The following study materials should be utilized in preparation for the Special Effects Certificate of Competency Examination (for new and renewal applicants):

- 527 CMR 1.00 (Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code)
Section 1.12.8.39.2 through 1.12.8.39.2.3.1
Section 1.13 through 1.13.4.2.5
Section 1.13.10 through 1.13.10.6
Section 65.1.1 through 65.5.3

The official copy of 527 CMR 1.00 is available from the State House Book Store, State House, Room 116, Boston, MA 02133 / (617) 727-2834. An unofficial copy of 527 CMR 1.00 (for convenience purposes only) is also available at the DFS website: www.mass.gov/dfs.

- NFPA 1123 - *Code for Fireworks Display* - 2018 Edition
- NFPA 1124 – *Code for the Manufacture, Transportation, and Storage of Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles* - 2017 Edition
- NFPA 1126 – *Standard for the Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience* - 2021 Edition

Available from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)
One Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269 / (800) 344-3555