



Clovis Fire Department

Standard # 4

SMOKELESS POWDER

The following is a list of required regulations:

1. The display of smokeless powder shall only be in original containers and shall not exceed twenty pounds (20#).
2. Maximum amount of smokeless powder in possession at any time shall not exceed one hundred pounds (100#).
3. Smokeless powder exceeding twenty pounds (20#) shall be stored in an approved Class II magazine.

Class II magazines shall be well constructed as follows:

- a) Two inch (2") nominal thickness lumber covered on the exterior with a minimum of No. 20 manufacturers standard gauge steel, or
- b) Two thicknesses of one inch (1") plywood covered on the exterior with a minimum of No. 20 manufacturers standard gauge steel, or
- c) Fiber equal in strength to wood as indicated in (a) and (b) above covered on the exterior with a minimum of No. 20 manufacturers standard gauge steel, or
- d) Minimum No. 14 manufacturers standard gauge steel and lined on the interior with one layer of one inch (1") thick plywood, or
- e) Material of equal strength and fire resistance.

Class II magazines containing explosives and located in buildings shall be located for easy removal in case of fire.

Class II magazines shall be painted red and when size permits, shall bear lettering in white on sides and top, at least three inches (3") high with a one half inch (1/2") stroke which reads, "**EXPLOSIVES**".

Class II magazines containing explosives, left at locations where no one is in attendance, shall be adequately secured to prevent their theft.

NOTE: A permit for purchasing and storing smokeless powder **must** be obtained from the Fresno County Sheriff's Office and a copy given to the Clovis Fire Department, **before** the Fire Marshal can issue a permit for storage and handling of smokeless powder.