DIRECTORY OF STATE AMUSEMENT RIDE SAFETY OFFICIALS

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Introduction

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission) is an independent federal regulatory agency established by Congress in the Consumer Product Safety Act to protect the public against unreasonable risks of injury and death from consumer products. The Defects Investigation Division within the Office of Compliance is responsible for, among other things, identifying defects in consumer products which present substantial product hazards and developing recalls designed to remove such products from both consumers and the chain of distribution.

The Commission has jurisdiction only over mobile amusement rides, i.e. those rides transported from location to location. According to the best available information, eight states do not have state administered inspection programs for mobile rides; and eight states and the District of Columbia do not have state administered inspection programs for fixed-site rides. While authority under each state's legislation differs, the main purpose is to prevent deaths and injuries on amusement rides through the early identification of unsafe and defective rides.

This Directory identifies the individual state offices dedicated to ride safety to encourage communication among the states and the federal government. The high level of expertise developed by state amusement ride officials and their willingness to promote knowledge within this area have been invaluable in identifying unsafe mobile amusement rides and preventing future deaths and injuries on a national level.

The CPSC staff engages in the following activities to foster amusement ride safety:

1. Serving as a clearinghouse for safety information on ride incidents identified by Commission investigators and state and local ride officials. We transmit this information to state and local officials periodically or as needed.
2. Working on voluntary safety standards for mobile amusement rides through the Council for Amusement & Recreational Equipment Safety (CARES), the National Association of Amusement Ride Safety Officials (NAARSO), the Outdoor Amusement Business Association (OABA), and Amusement Industry Manufacturers & Suppliers International, Ltd. (AIMS International, Ltd.).
3. Developing technical expertise for mobile amusement rides.
4. Undertaking investigations to identify specific mobile rides which may contain defects. As complaints or incidents are received, our technical staff evaluates them and staff takes appropriate follow-up actions to promote safety.
5. Compliance staff at the Commission notifies state officials of recalls, safety alerts, and information that promote safety nationwide. As well as, providing information on deaths and injuries associated with mobile amusement rides.
6. Assisting individual states with legislative efforts.

Tanya Topka, Compliance Team Lead, Defects Investigation Division, Office of Compliance, is responsible for coordinating the Commission’s mobile amusement ride safety activities. If you have any questions concerning the program, please contact her at (301) 504-7594 or ttopka@cpsc.gov.
## Alaska

### CONTACT:
Al Nagel, Program Manager  
Department of Labor Mechanical Inspection  
3301 Eagle Street, Suite 302  
Anchorage, AK  99503

### TELEPHONE:
(907) 269-4925

### FAX:
(907) 269-4632

### STATUTE:
Sec. As 05.20.070 &  8 AAC 78.290 Sec. 05.20.010 - 120 and 8 AAC 78.010-900 Compliance with Administrative Act

### PERMITS LICENSES:
$1 million liability insurance policy required for both tramways and amusement rides. Minimum 10 days notification to Department before operation can begin

### INSPECTIONS:
Performed by the Alaska Department of Labor

### WEBSITE:
www.labor.state.ak.us/lss/mihome.htm

### EMAIL:
anchorage.lss-mi@alaska.gov
Arizona

CONTACT: None

TELEPHONE:

FAX:

STATUTE: None

PERMITS LICENSES: None

INSPECTIONS: By private agency or insurance company. Inspection of rides at State Fairs in Tucson and Phoenix. Inspection on tribal lands with funding by Navajo Nation. Contact: Herman Shorty, P.O. Box 2372, Window Rock, AZ 86515

WEBSITE:

EMAIL:
CONTACT: Charles Ferguson  
Department of Labor, Occupational Safety, and Health  
10421 W. Markham Little Rock, AR 72205

TELEPHONE: (501) 682-9091

FAX: (501) 682-4532


PERMITS LICENSES: Proof of Liability insurance and a current Safety Inspection by ADOL must be kept on site. The fee for inspection is on a graduated scale.

INSPECTIONS: State inspections must be made at the time of set up. Notice must be given to the Arkansas Dept of Labor of the intent to operate an amusement ride and such notice must be given a minimum of four working days prior to the operation of the ride. The notice must be in writing and specify the location, date and time of intended operation. One million dollars liability insurance is required. Inspections include mobile rides, go-kart, bungee, water parks, inflatables, climbing walls, and fixed amusement sites. NAARSO certified Inspectors.

WEBSITE: www.arkansas.gov/labor

EMAIL: charles.ferguson@arkansas.gov
## California

### CONTACT:
Nancy Medeiros, Senior Engineer  
Department of Industrial Relations  
Division of Occupational Safety and Health  
2424 Arden Way, Suite 340  
Sacramento, CA 95825

### TELEPHONE:
(916) 263-3511

### FAX:
(916) 263-3576

### STATUTE:
California Labor Code - Portable Amusement Rides - Part 8 and Permanent Amusement Rides - Part 8.1 Part 3 Chapter 4 - Arail Passenger Tramways

### PERMITS/LICENSES:
AR - Operating permit expires March 1 of each year.  PT - Annual Operating Permit

### INSPECTIONS:
Aerial Passenger Tramway & Mobile rides inspected by the Occupational Safety & Health Division. Tramways are inspected twice a year. Mobile rides are inspected at least once a year. Permanent Ride inspections annually by State and Qualified Safety Inspector [twice]. State inspection requirements for Bungee Jumping Operations. Bungee Jumping is considered an amusement and all sites are inspected.

### WEBSITE:
www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/AROffices.htm#http://www.dir.ca.gov/

### EMAIL:
nmedeiros@dir.ca.gov
### Colorado

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<th>Scott Narreau</th>
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<td>633 17th Street, Suite 500</td>
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<td>Denver, CO 80202</td>
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<td>TELEPHONE:</td>
<td>(303) 318-8495</td>
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<td>FAX:</td>
<td>(303) 318-8488</td>
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<td>STATUTE:</td>
<td>Colorado revised statute of 1973 8-1-107 1G; 8-1-140; 8-1-141; 8-1-101-2d</td>
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<td>PERMITS/LICENSES:</td>
<td>Registrations of rides are required by all owners of both fixed site and mobile rides. Registration is required for all amusement devices for the particular year. Inflatables are</td>
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<td>INSPECTIONS:</td>
<td>Inspection performed by insurance company or private firm.</td>
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<tr>
<td>WEBSITE:</td>
<td><a href="http://www.colorado.gov/cs/satellite/cdle-oilpublicsafety/cdle/1248">www.colorado.gov/cs/satellite/cdle-oilpublicsafety/cdle/1248</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>EMAIL:</td>
<td><a href="mailto:scott.narreau@state.co.us">scott.narreau@state.co.us</a></td>
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CONTACT: Barry Rickert
Office of State Fire Marshal Department of Public Safety
1111 Country Club Road, P.O. Box 2794 Middletown, CT 06457
TELEPHONE: (860) 685-8222
FAX: (860) 685-8359
STATUTE: Regulations - Sections 29-129 through 29-143a Chapter 532 of the Connecticut General Statute
PERMITS LICENSES: Application for inspection needs to be submitted 15 days prior opening date to allow for scheduling of inspection
INSPECTIONS: Inspection: Annual inspection by professional engineer [PE] Re-inspection of mobile carnival rides at each new site. Annual inspection of permanent sites. Amusement parks are inspected once annually before opening.
WEBSITE:
EMAIL: barry.rickert@ct.gov
Delaware

CONTACT: Michael Chionchio, Assistant State Fire Marshall
Office of State Fire Marshal

1537 Chestnut Grove Road
Dover, DE 19904

TELEPHONE: (302) 739-5665

FAX: (302) 739-3696

STATUTE: Title 16, Chapter 64, Section 6404A; authorizes regulations for Bungee Jumping. Regulations effective March 30, 1993. Legislation effective June 1, 1985: Title 16 of Delaware Code Chapter 64; covers mobile and fixed site amusement rides. Yearly permit which must be obtained by June 1 of each year

PERMITS LICENSES: Electrical inspections required for each carnival/fair or show "set up"

INSPECTIONS: Third party deemed as insurance carrier. Re-inspection of mobile carnival rides at each new site. Insurance inspections rather than state; no specific guidelines for inspection

WEBSITE: www.statefiremarshal.delaware.gov

EMAIL: michael.chionchio@state.de.us
## District of Columbia

**CONTACT:** Garret Whitescarver, Construction Inspections Supervisor
Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs
1100 4th Street SW, 4th Floor
Washington, DC 20024

**TELEPHONE:** (202) 481-3536

**FAX:**

**STATUTE:** DC Construction Code of 1992

**PERMITS**

**LICENSES:** Licenses required for carnival before the rides begin operating

**INSPECTIONS:** D.C. inspects amusement rides operating at carnivals, circuses and neighborhood festivals in the District of Columbia.

**WEBSITE:** [www.dcra.dc.gov](http://www.dcra.dc.gov)

**EMAIL:** garret.whitescarver@dc.gov
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<td>Department of Agriculture Bureau of Fair</td>
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<td>Ride Inspections</td>
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<td>3125 Conner Blvd., Suite N</td>
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<td>Tallahassee, FL 32399</td>
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<td>TELEPHONE:</td>
<td>(850) 921-1530</td>
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<td>FAX:</td>
<td>(850) 921-1539</td>
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<td>STATUTE:</td>
<td>Florida Statute 616.242(2) delegates the authority for enforcement</td>
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<td>PERMITS LICENSES:</td>
<td>Governs all mobile rides. Safety inspection is state law. Rides inspected are inspected every time they are set up. Water park, permanent park and go-cart tracks are inspected</td>
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<td>INSPECTIONS:</td>
<td>Inspects any mobile ride and fixed sites without full-time safety inspectors. Bungee Jumping operations are inspected. Does not inspect permanent facilities that employ 1000 or more full time employees and maintain permanent safety inspectors.</td>
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<td>WEBSITE:</td>
<td><a href="mailto:fairrides@freshfromflorida.com">fairrides@freshfromflorida.com</a>#<a href="mailto:fairrides@freshfromflorida.com">mailto:fairrides@freshfromflorida.com</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>EMAIL:</td>
<td><a href="mailto:allan.harrison@freshfromflorida.com">allan.harrison@freshfromflorida.com</a></td>
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Georgia

CONTACT: Paul Welch
Department of Labor Safety Engineering Section
1700 Century Circle Atlanta, GA 30345

TELEPHONE: (404) 679-0690

FAX: (404) 982-3405

STATUTE: (Stationary) Amusement Rides Title 34 Chapter 12 Effective January 1, 1986. (Mobile) Carnival Rides Title 34 Chapter 13 Effective January 1, 1987. Tramways and Skilifts are covered under Amusement Rides. Chapter 300-8-3 Rules of Georgia Department of Labor Safety Regulations and Bungee Jumping

PERMITS LICENSES: Permits are required annually for all amusement devices prior to issuance of a permit the manager/operator must file proof of insurance in the amount of at least $500,000.00

INSPECTIONS: Rides are inspected at first 'set up' each year, and spot checked several times thereafter.

WEBSITE: www.dol.state.ga.us

EMAIL: paul.welch@dol.state.ga.us
CONTACT: Jennifer Shishido
Department of Labor and Industrial
Relations Division of Occupational Safety
830 Punchbowl Street, Room 423
Honolulu, HI 96813

TELEPHONE: (808) 586-9141

FAX: (808) 586-9150

STATUTE: Chapter 397, Hawaii Revised Statutes, Boiler and Elevator
Safety Law. Chapter 250 of Occupational Safety and Health
Standards

PERMITS LICENSES: Certificate of Inspection is attached to ride after each
inspection

INSPECTIONS: Rides inspected every six months by state

WEBSITE: www.hawaii.gov/labor/hiosh

EMAIL: dlir.hiosh.elevators@hawaii.gov
Idaho

CONTACT:
Steve Keys, Ops Manager
Division of Building Safety
1090 E. Water Tower Street
Meridan, ID 83642

TELEPHONE:
(208) 332-8986

FAX:
(208) 334-2683

STATUTE:
Electrical Inspections ONLY. Idaho Cide: Title 54 Chapter 10

PERMITS LICENSES:
Permits and inspection required for each set up or annually, prior to first show, for permanent locations

INSPECTIONS:
Permits and inspection required for each set up or annually, prior to first show, for permanent locations

WEBSITE:
www.dbs.idaho.gov

EMAIL:
skeys@dbs.idaho.gov
Illinois

CONTACT: Douglas Rathburn
Department of Labor Carnival and Amusement Ride Inspection Division
#1 W. Old State Capital Plaza,
Room 300, Springfield, IL 62701

TELEPHONE: (217) 782-9347
FAX: (217) 782-0596


PERMITS LICENSES: Permits and Licenses: Title 56: Labor and Employment Chap XIII: Carnival-Amusement Safety Board, Part 6000: Carnival & Amusement Ride Inspection Law. Fixed and

INSPECTIONS: Annual inspection of amusement rides, amusement attractions, ski lifts, rope tows, go-carts & bungee cord devices. Follow-up inspections are unannounced

WEBSITE: www.state.il.us/agency/idol/laws/law85.htm
EMAIL: doug.rathbun@illinois.gov
Indiana

CONTACT: Thomas Hendricks, Section Chief
Office of State Building Commissioner
Amusement Ride Division
302 West Washington Street,
Room E243 Indianapolis, IN 46204

TELEPHONE: (317) 232-2670

FAX: (317) 232-6609

STATUTE: Indiana Amusement revised Code Title 685 IAC 1

PERMITS LICENSES: Are required

INSPECTIONS: Rides are inspected on first "setup" each year. They are then subject to inspection each additional time they are "setup"

WEBSITE: www.in.gov/legislative/iac/iac_

EMAIL: thendricks@dhs.in.gov
Amusement ride operators must submit a completed permit application package no later than May 1 of each year. Operating an amusement ride without the required permit is a

Each ride must pass inspection before the first time it is operated in Iowa each year. Additional inspections may occur at the discretion of the Labor Commissioner.

www.iowaworkforce.org/amusement.htm

james.borwey@iwd.iowa.gov
Herb Holmberg, Safety Consultant
Kansas Department of Labor
1000 SW Jackson, Suite 230
Topeka, KS  66612
(785) 296-4386
(785) 296-8645
herb.holmberg@dol.ks.gov

CONTACT:
TELEPHONE:
FAX:
STATUTE:
PERMITS LICENSES:

Record Retention Policy. Random records audit.

INSPECTIONS:
NAARSO Inspectors. Owner of ride shall affix a copy of the most current inspection results to the ride in a weatherproof covering.

WEBSITE:

EMAIL:
herb.holmberg@dol.ks.gov
CONTACT: Chad Halsey, Administrative Branch Manager
Department of Agriculture Division of Regulation and Inspection
107 Corporate Drive
Frankfort, KY 40601

TELEPHONE: (502) 573-0282
FAX: (502) 573-0303

STATUTE: KRS Chapter 247, effective July 5, 1988. 302 KAR 16.08E special regulations for "bungee jumping" operations

PERMITS LICENSES: Permit, good for one year. Fees depend on type of device.

INSPECTIONS: One annual inspection required by state. Mobile & fixed site amusements, ski lifts, water slides, air inflatables, and go-cart establishments are all covered

WEBSITE: www.kyagr.com
EMAIL: chad.halsey@ky.gov
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<th>Bill Owens, Mechanical Section Manager</th>
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<td>State Fire Marshals Office Mechanical</td>
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<td>8181 Independence Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806</td>
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<td>(225) 925-4297</td>
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<td>FAX:</td>
<td>(225) 925-3813</td>
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<td>STATUTE:</td>
<td>R.S. 40:1484 Louisiana Amusement Ride Safety Law</td>
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<td>PERMITS LICENSES:</td>
<td>Permit issued and recorded on sticker which is placed on the ride, after inspection by NAARSO - Level 1 - inspector $20 fee</td>
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<td>INSPECTIONS:</td>
<td>Unannounced semi-annual inspection of stationary rudes. Mobile rides inspected at each set up with follow-up inspection to insure compliance</td>
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<td>WEBSITE:</td>
<td><a href="http://www.lasfm.org">www.lasfm.org</a></td>
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<td>EMAIL:</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bill.owens@dps.la.gov">bill.owens@dps.la.gov</a></td>
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Stephen Dixon, Inspector
Department of Public Safety Office of State Fire Marshal
State House Station 52, Augusta, ME 04333
(207) 626-3890
(207) 287-6251
Title 8, Sec, 501 & 502 General law State of Maine
Requires permits and registration for license
Annual on-site inspection of fairs, carnivals, circuses, etc. upon entering state. Annual inspection of fixed site rides prior to first operation. Inspected as complaints received or incidents occur.
stephen.w.dixon@maine.gov

Certificate of Inspection required for each ride, each time moved and reassembled. Certificate of Insurance required: Not less than $200,000 for non-mechanical rides $350,000

Annual inspections of fixed site amusement parks. Mobile rides inspected each time ride is moved and reassembled.
CONTACT: Edward Kawa
Department of Public Safety Division of Inspections
1 Ashburton Place, Room 1301
Boston, MA 02108

TELEPHONE: (617) 727-3200

FAX: (617) 248-0813

STATUTE: Chapter 140, Section 205 (A), Regulations 520CMR5. Ski Lifts operate under Chapter 143 Section 71H-R

PERMITS LICENSES: Annual permitting required for Mobile Sites

INSPECTIONS: Initial inspection performed by licensed insurance representative approved by state Public Safety Office - if an accident occurs or if anyone is injured a State Department Engineer steps in. Annual and intermittent inspection of mobile rides. Annual on-site inspection of fairs, carnivals, circuses, etc. upon entering the state. Intermittent on-site inspection of mobile rides as progress through state. Fixed sites also inspected by insurance company, inspection is reported to the Public Safety Office with no follow-up from state.

WEBSITE: www.access-board.gov/recreation/guides/amuse.htm

EMAIL: edward.kawa@state.ma.us
Michigan

CONTACT: Mark Doman
Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth Commercial
P.O. Box 30018 Lansing, MI 48909

TELEPHONE: (517) 241-9273

FAX: (517) 241-9296


PERMITS LICENSES: Permits and Licenses: Obtained from Commercial Licensing Division, P.O. Box 30018, Lansing, MI 48909. Ann Milben, Licensing Administrator, (517) 241-9233 T (517) 373-1044

INSPECTIONS: Annual inspection. Periodic inspections based upon past history. Some cites in Michigan require a state inspection before rides can operate

WEBSITE: www.michigan.gov/amusement

EMAIL: domand@michigan.gov
Minnesota

CONTACT: John Schultz
Department of Labor & Industry Code
Administration & Inspection Services
443 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155

TELEPHONE: (651) 284-5821

FAX: (651) 284-5737

STATUTE: Minnesota Statutes Chapter 184B (7 Sections)

PERMITS LICENSES: None

INSPECTIONS: $1 million minimum insurance per occurrence. Require a certificate of insurance or affidavit of inspection. $2000 per day civil penalty for violations

WEBSITE: www.dli.mn.gov

EMAIL: john.schultz@state.mn.us
Mississippi

CONTACT: Bridgette Wiggins
Office of Attorney General Consumer
Protection Division
P.O. Box 22947, Jackson,
MD 39225

TELEPHONE: (601) 359-4279

FAX: (601) 359-4231

STATUTE: None. State has no statute. Individual cities & municipalities have jurisdiction in their respective areas

PERMITS LICENSES: A license is required for tax purposes

INSPECTIONS: None

WEBSITE:

EMAIL: bwill@ago.state.ms.us
Missouri

CONTACT: Larry Watson
Division of Fire Safety
204 Jefferson, Suite 1315
Jefferson City, MO 65101

TELEPHONE: (573) 751-5299

FAX: (573) 526-5971

STATUTE: RSMO Chapter 316 Section 316.203 to 316.233

PERMITS LICENSES: Permits required for all amusement rides and affixed to each ride, annually. Proof of insurance of not less than $1 million per occurrence

INSPECTIONS: Annual inspection by qualified inspector of each ride with inspection stickers and permit affixed to rides

WEBSITE: www.dfs.dps.mo.gov

EMAIL: larry.watson@dfs.dps.mo.gov
### Montana

**CONTACT:** Melissa Tuemmler, Supervisor Food & Consumer Safety Section  
Department of Public Health & Human Services  
Cogswell Building 1400 Broadway St., Helena, MT 59620-2951

**TELEPHONE:** (406) 444-5309

**FAX:** (406) 444-5055

**STATUTE:** None

**PERMITS**  
**LICENSES:** None

**INSPECTIONS:** None

**WEBSITE:** [www.fcss.mt.gov](http://www.fcss.mt.gov)

**EMAIL:** mtuemmler@mt.gov
Nebraska

CONTACT: Gerald Brown, Elevator/Amusement Ride Manager
       Office of Safety

5723 F Street  Omaha, NE 68117

TELEPHONE:  (402) 595-2523

FAX:  (402) 595-1360

STATUTE: Nebraska Amusement Ride Act Effective August 30, 1987;
          Sections 48-1801 - 48-1820

PERMITS LICENSES: Annual Permits issued upon completion of application
                  processes and inspection.

INSPECTIONS: Inspected annually by the State Inspectors. Not done by
             Insurance inspectors or private inspectors or outside state
             inspectors. Nebraska DOL employees.

WEBSITE: www.dol.nebraska.gov/resources/statutes/amusement%20ride

EMAIL: gerald.brown@nebraska.gov
Nevada

CONTACT:  
David Durke, Civil Engineer  
Department of Buildings Clark County  
Building Inspector  
401 South 4th Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101

TELEPHONE:  
(702) 455-3000

FAX:  

STATUTE:  
Chapter 22.16, "Amusement & Transportation Rides Code"  
Adopted 5-23-91

PERMITS  
LICENSES:  
By City

INSPECTIONS:  
By city code inspectors

WEBSITE:  

EMAIL:  

New Hampshire

CONTACT: W. Briggs Lockwood, Chief
NH Department of Safety, Tramway & Amusement Ride Safety
33 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03305

TELEPHONE: (603) 223-4289 x3

FAX: (603) 293-0586

STATUTE: NH RSA 321-A Administrative Rules Saf-C 1400

PERMITS LICENSES: Registration/Licensed

INSPECTIONS: Prior to registration of an amusement ride or device, an inspection is conducted by a State Inspector. Follow up inspections are conducted on mobile rides when they relocate. Occasional follow up inspections are conducted on fixed site rides. All incidents and complaints investigated by State Inspector.


EMAIL: wbriggs.lockwood@dos.nh.gov
CONTACT: Michael D. Triplett, Supervisor of Enforcement
Department of Community Affairs Division
of Code Services Bureau of Codes &
101 South Broad Street P.O. Box
816 Trenton, NJ 08625

TELEPHONE: (609) 292-2097

FAX: (609) 984-7084

STATUTE: Carnival and Amusement Ride Safety Act (New Jersey Statutes 5:3-31 et seq.) and Carnival-Amusement Rides Regulations (New Jersey Administrative Code Title 5, Chapter 14) with substantive amendments effective March 6, 2000. Inflatables included in regulations, and considered portable rides, except when located in a fixed park or facility.

PERMITS LICENSES: Each ride, mobile or fixed-site, requires an annual permit and Certificate of Insurance $1,000,000. Nondestructive testing plan, ride operations and maintenance manuals must be filed.

INSPECTIONS: Full safety inspections by State inspector required prior to season; carnivals must submit itinerary in advance for all locations, except 1 or 2 family homes; mobile rides inspected after set-up at each location; all rides also subject to random inspection throughout season.

WEBSITE: www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/codes/offices/rides.html#http://www

EMAIL: michael.triplett@dca.state.nj.us or rides@dca.state.nj.us
New Mexico

CONTACT: Carmen Gomez
Regulation and Licensing Department
Carnival Program
1650 University NE, Suite 201
Albuquerque, NM 87102

TELEPHONE: (505) 841-8020

FAX: (505) 827-7045

STATUTE: Section 527-25-1 to -6, New Mexico Statutes Annotated
1978 (Amended 1996) Carnival Ride Insurance Act

PERMITS LICENSES: Inspections and insurance certificates are required to be filed
with the state for fixed site and mobile rides. Filing fee is
$50.00 per ride

INSPECTIONS: Annual inspections by NAARSO inspector and daily
inspections by the owner/operator

WEBSITE: www.Fld.state.nm.us/carnival

EMAIL: carmen.gomez@state.nm.us
New York

CONTACT: Maria Guizzotti
NYS Department of Labor, Division of Safety & Health
65 Court Street, Room 400
Buffalo, NY 14202

TELEPHONE: (716) 847-7135
FAX: (716) 847-7108

STATUTE: Section 202(b) - Labor Law and Code Rule 45 of Industrial Code Rules. Industrial Code Rule 32 (Ski Lifts) Section 202(c)

PERMITS: Permits required for mobile and fixed site amusements. Certificate of Insurance require minimum $1 million. Permits: Each $25 kiddee rides and $50 adult rides

INSPECTIONS: Annual on-site inspection of stationary amusement park rides. Mobile rides must submit schedules in advance for inspection at all stops. Since 1995, water slides inspected

WEBSITE: www.labor.ny.gov#http://www.labor.ny.gov#
EMAIL: maria.guizzotti@labor.ny.gov
North Carolina

CONTACT:
Thomas Chambers
Department of Labor Elevator and Amusement Device Bureau
11 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, NC 27601

TELEPHONE:
(919) 807-2770

FAX:
(919) 807-2777

STATUTE:
General Statutes of North Carolina Chapter 95 - Article 14b

PERMITS LICENSES:
A permit number is issued which is recorded on a sticker and attached to the ride following inspection

INSPECTIONS:
Semi-annual inspection of stationary rides. Unannounced inspection. Every mobile ride inspected at each set-up. Follow-up inspection to insure compliance with recommendation

WEBSITE:
www.nclabor.com

EMAIL:
tom.chambers@labor.nc.gov
North Dakota

CONTACT: North Dakota Attorney General
ND Attorney General's Office
600 E. Boulevard Ave., Dept. 301, Bismark, ND 58505

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STATUTE: www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t53c05-1.pdf

PERMITS LICENSES: None

INSPECTIONS: None

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Ohio

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STATUTE: Ohio Revised Code Section 1711.50 - 1711.99. Rides; games; novelties; and side shows

PERMITS LICENSES: A permit is issued annually for each mobile amusement ride upon completion of a satisfactory safety inspection. Prior to issuance of a license, the operator must file an Ohio

INSPECTIONS: Every ride is inspected prior to the issuance of the license. Depending upon the firm's history, rides must be inspected at each subsequent location. Rides found unsafe must be made safe prior to operating again. Licenses are revoked upon failure to maintain adequate insurance coverage and also if the operator fails to make proper repairs. Operators are required to update their Ohio itinerary current

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Oklahoma Amusement Ride Safety Act Title 40 O.S. Section 460 thru 469 and Adopted Rules dated February 14, 1984; '86; '87; '90; '91; '00; '02; (Rules recodified in 1993)

Annual registration. Certificate of Operation issued each mobile and fixed locations - each ride is to be registered with the Oklahoma Labor Department

Inspection required by state inspectors: a) Mobile - each time set up; b) Permanenent - annual. Insurance is required

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Oregon

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STATUTE: Oregon Revised Statutes 460.210 to 460.230 and Departmental Administrative Rules

PERMITS LICENSES: Annual permit for operation of all amusement rides and devices.

INSPECTIONS: Annual inspection of fair, carnivals, circuss, etc. state wide. Annual inspection of all amusement rides and devices that receive operating permits.

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STATUTE: Amusement Ride Inspection Act & Regulations. 7
Pennsylvania Code - Title 7 - Chapter 139

PERMITS LICENSES: Rides must be registered with the Department of Agriculture. An Itinerary an Certificate of Inspection must be provided and certificate of insurance from their insurance

INSPECTIONS: Per the regulations. Rides must be inspected by a Certified Inspector every 28 days or every set up, which ever comes first. Quality Control inspections are conducted by State Inspectors on a frequent and random schedule.

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FAX:

STATUTE: Since April 23, 1973, Law #5 - Permits agency to investigate and take necessary action on behalf of consumer. Inflatable Amusement Ride Act 111, April 17, 2003 in progress

PERMITS LICENSES: The Secretary of Consumer Affairs, part of the President's Cabinet, authorizes Permits and Licenses

INSPECTIONS: Done by Consumer Affairs prior to permitting

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Rhode Island

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**STATUTE:**
State of Rhode Island General Laws, Title 23, Chapter 34.1,
Short titled: Amusement Ride Safety Act

**PERMITS LICENSES:**
Annual registration requirements for each ride (permanent and temporary rides included) are: 1) passing annual inspection by independent professional engineer, 2) payment

**INSPECTIONS:**
Annual inspection by independent professional engineer as condition to register the ride annually, and 2) inspection by the State Inspector for temporary amusement devices after each set-up

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PERMITS LICENSES: Permit required. Good for 12 months ending Dec. 31st

INSPECTIONS: Yearly and unannounced. Operator inspections also

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South Dakota

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STATUTE: None

PERMITS: None
LICENSES:

INSPECTIONS: None

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| CONTACT: | Lee Bentley, Manager of Amusement Devices |
| TELEPHONE: | (615) 741-2123 |
| FAX: | (865) 933-8174 |
| PERMITS LICENSES: | Must obtain a valid permit to operate in the state (T.C.A. 68-121-117) |
| INSPECTIONS: | Six month on site inspection for tramways and aerial rides. |
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Texas

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STATUTE: Occupations Code 2151. Amusement Ride Safety
Inspection & Insurance Act 28 TAC, Subchapter J. 5.9001-
5.9014, Rules to implement the Amusement Ride Safety &
Inspection Act. Effective January 1, 2000, regulation[s]
require that "a person who operates an amusement ride must
post signage where consumers can report an unsafe ride or
defective ride or an operator who is operating a ride in an
unsafe manner…" "…a contact person and number must be
available…" "…for all amusement parks, fairs, carnivals,
attractions at principal entrance…"

PERMITS LICENSES: Insurance requirement is $100,000 per occurrence with
$300,000 aggregate for Class A Rides and not less than $1
million per occurrence for Class B Amusement Rides.

INSPECTIONS: Annual inspection required with inspection certificate
submitted to the Texas Department of Insurance for review. Inspectors are required to be professionally qualified by the insurer

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Utah

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STATUTE: None

PERMITS LICENSES: None

INSPECTIONS: None

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## Vermont

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**STATUTE:**

31 U.S.A Section 721-724

**PERMITS / LICENSES:**

Certificate of operation is required, issued by Secretary of State upon post of insurance in the amount of $1,000,000 and fee of $100. The certificate is valid for 1 year.

**INSPECTIONS:**

None

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Cindy Davis, State Building Code Administrator
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Section 36-98.3 of the Code of Virginia and 13 VAC 5-31-10 through 13 VAC 5-31-290 Virginia Amusement Device Regulations
A permit is required from the local building department for the reassembly or operation of an amusement device
Inspections are performed only by inspectors that have met Virginia's certification requirements
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Washington

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STATUTE: Chapter 67.42 RCW, 19.28 RCW

PERMITS LICENSES: Amusement Rides require Permits and Licenses. Annual operating permits

INSPECTIONS: Annual Safety and Mechanical Inspection. Electrical Inspection each "set-up". Maintain liability insurance

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## West Virginia

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**STATUTE:**
Amusement Rides and Amusement Attractions Safety Act 21-10 of the West Virginia Code

**PERMITS LICENSES:**
Annual permit required; expires December 31 of each year.

**INSPECTIONS:**
Rely on insurance company inspection reports.

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STATUTE: Statue places all responsibility on local subdivisions.

PERMITS LICENSES: None

INSPECTIONS: None

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