TO: Amusement Ride Owners

FROM: James Williams
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RE: Inflatables


REGISTRATION

- All amusement rides are required to register with the ODOL and owners/operators must provide proof of insurance coverage on an annual basis.
- The annual registration application is available at www.labor.ok.gov. Submit applications to odol.amusement@labor.ok.gov.
- Inflatable owners/operators are required to hold liability insurance of one million dollars ($1,000,000.00) and provide a copy to the Oklahoma Department of Labor. The Oklahoma Department of Labor must be identified as the certificate holder as shown below:
  - Oklahoma Department of Labor
    Safety Standards Division
    3017 North Stiles, Suite 100
    Oklahoma City, OK  73105

INSPECTION

- On existing inflatables, instead of an inspection requirement the Oklahoma Department of Labor will focus on compliance. Initially there will be no fees for the compliance inspections, but if found to be out of compliance the owner/operator could face inspection requirements for each future setup of their inflatables, fines or both.
- Owners/operators who add new inflatables to their inventory are required to have these inflatables inspected prior to being placed into service.
  - “New” is classified as an inflatable that has been recently purchased from a manufacturer or another company and will be added to the operational inventory.
• Companies (New) whose inventory has not been inspected by the Oklahoma Department of Labor will be required to register and schedule an inspection prior to any device being put into operation.
• All new companies must have all of their current inventory inspected by Oklahoma Department of Labor.
• A photograph of all new inflatables being added must accompany the application, or a photograph could be taken at time of inspection by the ODOL inspector.

  o An inspection by the Oklahoma Department of Labor may be requested by phone, mail or email (odol.amusement@labor.ok.gov). Inspection fees will apply. See the fee schedule located on the Amusement Ride page in the “Related Topics” box titled “NEW Fee Schedule”.
  o Requests for inspections are scheduled through the office during regular business hours (M-F, 8-5) and are to be received a minimum of 72 hours (3 business days) prior to inspection in order to guarantee inspector availability.
  o Zorb Balls will be classified as an inflatable and will be required to submit a registration application and schedule an inspection if required.
    • Zorb Balls with no track from manufacturer will be required to be registered for each ball.
    • Zorb Balls that come with an inflatable track will only be required to be registered as one unit with a registration sticker placed on the inflatable track.

  **NOTE:** Zorb Balls where the rider is completely enclosed are not allowed to operate in The State of Oklahoma.
• If you are unsure if the device is allowed or not please contact Oklahoma Department of Labor at odol.amusement@labor.ok.gov. You must include a picture of the device in the email. The email subject line should be: Zorb Ball consultation request.

**ACCIDENT/INCIDENT**

  o Accidents/Incidents that involve a fatality, loss of limb or an injury requiring medical treatment more than “on-site” will require the ride to be shut down and the accident/incident reported to the Oklahoma Department of Labor (ODOL) immediately by calling:
    • (405) 521-6100 or (405) 521-6604 during business hours (M-F/8-5)
    • (405) 343-9815 after business hours and weekends/holidays.
  o The ride is not to be moved except for the safety of patrons/public.
  o Injuries requiring “on-site” first aid medical treatment shall be reported to the Oklahoma Department of Labor by the end of the next working day.
  o An accident/incident involving a mechanical failure will require the ride to be closed and not reopened until approved by the Oklahoma Department of Labor (ODOL).
    • An Amusement Ride Accident/Incident Report must be completed and submitted to the Oklahoma Department of Labor. The form is available at www.labor.ok.gov
  o Spot checks may be conducted by the Oklahoma Department of Labor throughout the season without notice and at no cost to the owner.

**OWNER/OPERATORS ARE REQUIRED TO:**

  o Operators are to be trained annually, maintain and provide copies of training certification records to the Oklahoma Department of Labor upon request.
  o Owners must supply with copies of manufacturer’s annual inspection reports to the Oklahoma Department of Labor.
  o Operators are required to wear a name tag that lists all rides they have been trained and authorized to operate.
  o Owners must supply the Oklahoma Department of Labor with documentation that all violations have been corrected.
o Daily inspections are to be conducted for each ride with these records maintained for at least three years. Records may be electronic or hard copy and available to Oklahoma Department of Labor inspectors upon request.

o Maintenance logs are to be maintained for at least three years (3), electronic or hard copy is acceptable.

o A ride manual shall be on file for each ride.

40 O.S. § 460.2 (b) Rules promulgated pursuant to subsection A of this section shall include the following language:
The owner of an amusement ride shall maintain up-to-date maintenance, inspection, and repair records between inspection periods for each amusement ride in the manner provided by the Commissioner of Labor. The records shall contain a copy of all inspection reports commencing with the last annual inspection, a description of all maintenance performed, and a description of any mechanical or structural failures or operational breakdowns and the types of actions taken to rectify these conditions.

NOTE: This Guideline is meant to assist in the guidance provided for in 40 O.S. § 460, et seq., OAC 380:55 and applicable ASTM standards and all administrative guidelines and is not an exhaustive document.

If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to contact me at 405-521-6100/888-269-5353 or at james.williams@labor.ok.gov

Sincerely,

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