

## **2       EXPLOSIVES REGULATIONS 2014 - ISSUING OF LICENCES (AN228-2014)**

The Explosives Regulations 2014 came into force on the 1st October 2014 and now require retailers who intend to store explosives, including fireworks, to apply to Dundee City Council for a Licence to do so. Prior to 01/10/2014, retailers were only required to register with the council to store explosives.

Under the new Regulations, retailers must be in possession of a licence before they can obtain and sell fireworks from their retail outlets.

The main period of supply of fireworks in the UK occurs is around the run up to November 5th and in particular between the 15th October and the 10th November.

The introduction of the new Explosives Regulations 2014 requires Dundee City Council's Standing Orders to be amended in order to either remit applications to the Licensing Committee or authorise officers from Trading Standards to issue such Licences and attach conditions as necessary.

Given the timescales involved, authorisation is requested to allow Trading Standards Officers to issue Licences for the year 2014/2015. Thereafter, a report will be submitted to the Licensing Committee regarding the process to be followed in subsequent years.

Regulatory control of the sale of fireworks to persons under-age is unchanged.

In view of the timescale involved, this Agenda Note was approved by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Convener of the Policy and Resources Committee, Opposition Group Spokesperson, Bailie Borthwick, Bailie Scott and Councillor Macpherson.