

# Pyrotechnic Guild International (PGI) Articles Pyrotechnic Training

Presented by the

**Rocky Mountain Pyrotechnics Guild (RMPG)**

**DATE:** Saturday, November 15th, 2025

**TIME:** 1 pm to 5 pm

**PLACE:** 4101 Penrith Road, Bennett, CO 80102 (class to be held in Quonset hut)

**FEE:** \$100.00/person, plus Multipass fees

**ONLINE PAYMENT LINK:** <https://rmpg.multipass.com/AP>

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND:** Anyone interested in working on a fireworks display crew. For those who are seeking a PGI Certification as a Fireworks Display Operator. Anyone who needs a safety course for a Fireworks Display Operator License (required in Colorado); persons in regulatory capacities; and those interested in expanding their hobby fireworks knowledge.

**Registrants must be 18 years of age in order to either receive the safety certification or participate in the hands-on practical portion of the class. Minors shall be permitted to attend this course in conjunction with a participating adult.**

**ABOUT THE TEACHERS:** Steve Maruska and Nick Rinaldo are all volunteers for the Pyrotechnics Guild International (PGI) as Certified Instructors for the Display Operator Certification Course. Nick Rinaldo is Director of Education for The Rocky Mountain Pyrotechnics Guild (RMPG) Steve Maruska is President and Certified Instructor of RMPG. Additionally, we have input and assistance by Byron Nelson, Safety Director of RMPG. Byron Nelson shall provide input and assistance based on his decades of experience.

**RMPG:** Is a 501c3 non-profit club incorporated in the State of Colorado for the purpose of encouraging the safe and artistic use of fireworks through education and shared expertise.

**WHAT THE STUDENTS RECEIVE:** Each participant will receive the: 13 page 2024 edition of the PGI Introduction to Professional Use Only Pyrotechnics supplemental handout. An interactive classroom style lecture, written testing, field instruction, live fire demonstrations, and hands-on field experience. PGI will issue a Certificate of Attendance / successful completion of the safety course to the student directly.

**CERTIFICATION/LICENSING:** The PGI class provides basic understanding of Professional Use Only pyrotechnics, 1.4g, UN0336. These items are not regulated by either the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) or the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATFE), as they are neither consumer fireworks or ATF regulated explosives and thus do not fall under the regulations of either entity. However, these items are not intended to be sold or used by the general public. Students who attend the class and pass the examination will receive a certificate of attendance from PGI, not RMPG.

**WHAT THE STUDENT SHOULD BRING:** Each participant must bring safety glasses, a head covering or hard hat, hearing protection, and wear cotton clothing with long sleeves and long pants (turnout gear is acceptable). Flame retardant layers and boots are recommended for the outdoor portion of the class. Hot, cold, wet, windy weather and/or muddy ground is always possible in Colorado, so be prepared. It is highly recommended to bring a pen, pencil, clip board or other hard surface to write on, highlighter, and paper for taking notes as we typically don't have tables. A water bottle and anything else you feel you might need to be comfortable is advisable. We will be in a barn and outside.

**REGISTRATION:** Please note payment, registration form, and waiver must all be complete and received by RMPG by the day of the class. Exceptions must be approved by Nick Rinaldo.

**Questions about the course and/or registration:** contact Nick Rinaldo at (419) 265-4863 or via email: [training@rmpg.org](mailto:training@rmpg.org)

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**ROCKY MOUNTAIN PYROTECHNICS GUILD**

On  
November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

At the  
Rocket Ranch: 4101 Penrith Road, Bennett, CO 80102  
(Class to be held within and outside the Quonset Hut)

Full Legal Name\_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address\_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip\_\_\_\_\_

Preferred phone number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address\_\_\_\_\_

Agency representing (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Personal reason for taking course\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name/Number\_\_\_\_\_

**Safety Course Certificate of Attendance shall be provided to the email / mailing address as listed above by the Pyrotechnic Guild International (PGI).**

**Class size is limited, and reservations will be made as payments are received.**

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