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TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: Operation of a Temporary Amusement Ride (TAR 16-2)

LABOR CODE 7906 STATES:

No person shall operate a temporary amusement ride without a permit issued by the Division or a public entity. On or before March 1st of each year, an operator shall apply for a permit to the Division or a public entity on a form furnished by the Division. (Application packets can be obtained from our website or by contacting our office) **Note: If you are operating rides prior to March 1, 2016, your application packet must be submitted at least ten days prior to operation.**

Each application shall specifically include a route list for the ride for the permit year, which shall include the name of each city, street location and date of operation of the ride at each location. A route list may be revised at any time, but a ride may not be operated at a particular location unless notification of the revision has been given previously to the Division or public entity issuing the permit. **Please utilize our electronic itinerary form to submit your itinerary!**

All new temporary amusement rides must be inspected before they are originally put into operation for the public's use. Each existing ride is required to undergo an annual permit inspection. The Division will also perform several inspections as the year progresses and can perform inspections each time a ride is assembled or disassembled.

As allowed by Safety Order 3915(b), a temporary amusement ride issued a valid permit to operate in the preceding year may continue to operate until further inspected, providing the owner/operator has submitted an annual application to the Division for an inspection at least ten days prior to operation indicating where the ride will be available for inspection. **Note: This does not apply to rides with expired blue (temporary) permits.**

Before a "Permit" is issued, a ride must be free of all requirements except those deemed by the inspector to be non-critical to the immediate safe operation of the ride. If a non-critical violation is found, it is probable a temporary permit (Labor Code 7906) will be issued with a specified compliance date. **When a ride has received a temporary permit, it is the owners/operator's responsibility to notify the Division in writing when and where the ride will be ready to re-inspect and that it is in compliance, prior to the expiration date of the temporary permit. All inspections will be billed at the current hourly rate of \$125.00 per hour or a fraction thereof.**

At any time worn or damaged parts are discovered during an inspection, and it is deemed a serious violation, the permitting of the ride may be delayed. If various tests or permits (non-destructive test, air tank permit, etc.) are due at the time of the inspection, an operating permit cannot be issued until the results of such tests can be verified and the inspection completed.

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