**Auction**

**Policy**

The Auction shall be held at such time and place as shown in the Convention program schedule. Any articles pyrotechnic may be donated to the auction subject to the following constraints:

1) If the auction is held in a location where pyrotechnics are prohibited (e.g. a hotel meeting room), the articles may not be present at the auction. It is recommended a photo and description of the article be displayed in its place.

2) Sales of explosive materials are limited to adult members of the PGI (18 years or older) or minors with a responsible adult member (parent, guardian, or responsible person designated by parent or guardian). Members MUST visibly display a Convention badge. It is the auctioneer’s responsibility to make sure that members have valid PGI credentials. In addition to presenting PGI credentials, the member may be asked for proof of age to ensure the purchaser is 18 or older.

Any item may be donated to the auction. The Auction chairman (or a designated alternate) shall be available to receive and store auction items starting at the beginning of Convention on Saturday until the time of the auction. Pyrotechnic articles donated to the auction will be stored by the Auction Chairman (or a designated alternate) in compliance with PGI Safety Guidelines.

Proceeds from the auction become the property of PGI. The proceeds must be turned over to the PGI Secretary/Treasurer immediately upon the completion of the auction and the reconciling of the auction accounts. Prior to the commencement of the auction, the PGI Secretary/Treasurer will notify the auctioneer of the acceptable forms of payment.

Donations to the auction are not considered tax deductible for tax purposes. Any deviation from this policy must be approved by the PGI Board of Directors.