

Division of Fire Safety

New Brunswick Fire Department



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VENDOR FIRE SAFETY GUIDELINES

- All vendors utilizing cooking or open flame devices shall have a minimum of 2A-10BC fire extinguisher. A type-K, wet chemical extinguisher will be required if hot oil cooking appliances are to be used.
- All fire extinguishers shall have documentation **attached** indicating the unit was inspected as required by NFPA 10. Failure to have documentation attached to the extinguisher will result in the cooking or open flame operation being suspended until an acceptable unit is obtained.
- All cooking or open flame devices shall bear a commercial rating, and operated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and intent. Appliances shall be in good repair and be free from damage or signs of modification. Any unit found damaged or modified, in the opinion of the inspector, shall be immediately removed from service. Household rated appliances will not be permitted.
- All cooking or open flame units utilizing LPG will be leak tested by an inspector. Any unit found to be leaking will be immediately removed from service until the leak can be repaired. All LPG cylinders shall be in good repair, free of rust and within their hydrostatic test date or will be removed from service. Cylinders shall be secured to prevent falling over.
- **Cooking under canopies may be approved based upon the following:**
 - The use of canopies is restricted to those that are free standing and have no sides attached during cooking activities.

- The canopy is located no less than five (5) feet from any other canopy, tent or structure.
- The canopy fabric is flame resistant and the applicant has provided the Fire Official with a certification attesting the flame resistance as required by section 2001.8 of the UFC. All tents shall bear a label or documentation indicating that the material is flame resistant or was treated to make it flame resistant. The absence of a label or documentation indicating the tent is flame resistant will require removal of the tent.
- All cooking equipment to be placed under a canopy must be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and intent.
- LPG containers must be located at the outer edge of the canopy, a minimum of five feet from the heat producing appliance. The containers are to be protected to prevent tampering or damage by vehicles or other hazards. The containers are securely fastened and free of leaks and safety relief valves are pointed away from the canopy.
- Occupancy under the canopy is to be restricted to those necessary for food preparation only. Food may be served from the outer edge of the canopy. Suitable barriers should be provided to maintain a distance of not less than five (5) feet between areas accessed by the general public and the cooking equipment.
- Storage of combustible items required for food preparation or serving must be kept to a minimum.
- **All other provisions of the NJ uniform Fire Code are adhered to.**