



NORTH RIVER FIRE DISTRICT

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To: Special Events Responsible Party 'RP' – Permit Holder

Re: Fire safety for vendors in mobile or temporary facilities (e.g., trailers, tents, etc.)

This letter and the attached vendor handout sheet is to provide clarity, assistance, and compliance with the fire safety code at special events. The Florida Fire Prevention Code governs all vendors at special events that utilize any type of heat energy such as electricity, or gas power sources.

- Cooking equipment used in mobile or temporary concessions, such as trucks, buses, trailers, pavilions, tents, or any form of roofed enclosure, must be protected by an automatic fire-extinguishing system as primary protection and have a portable 'K' fire extinguisher as a secondary backup. Also, a portable 5 pound '2A10BC' dry chemical fire extinguisher shall also be present for protection from class A, B, & C fires.

However, cooking outside of the roof area (open to the weather) will be permitted by this office without an automatic fire-extinguishing system.

- Portable fire extinguishers must be tagged by a licensed fire extinguisher company every 12 months; the automatic system must be tagged every 6-months.
- Propane tanks must be secured in an upright position to reduce the risk of falling and product release.
- All non-cooking vendors, who have energized electrical equipment or other heat sources, must have a currently tagged (by a licensed fire extinguisher company) minimum portable 5 pound '2A10BC' dry chemical fire extinguisher.
- Temporary electrical extension cords, power strips, lighting, etc. that are subject to exposure to the weather MUST be listed for 'outdoor use'.

The 'RP' must assure that all vendors participating in their special event are fire safe prior to the start of the event. If you have any additional fire related questions, please feel free to give this office a call at 941-721-6700

Fire Prevention Bureau

Fire Safety Requirements for Vendors

A) Vendors with cooking equipment that produces grease in roofed enclosures; such as trucks, buses, trailers, pavilions, MUST have an automatic "Ansul®" fire-extinguishing system (pic #2), a 'K' fire extinguisher for grease (pic#1), and a dry chemical fire extinguisher - red 5 pound '2A10BC' (pic #3)

B) Vendors with cooking equipment under a tent (no public allowed) MUST have a 'K' fire extinguisher for grease (pic#1), and a dry chemical fire extinguisher (pic #3)

C) Vendors that only have energized electrical equipment MUST have a dry chemical fire extinguisher - red 5 pound '2A10BC' (pic #3)

*****Portable fire extinguishers must be inspected & tagged by a licensed fire extinguisher company every 12 months.**

The automatic "Ansul®" fire system must be inspected & tagged every 6-months



**#1
"K"
Portable**

**Inspected
& tagged
every
12
months**



**#2
Fire system
for grease**

**Inspected
& tagged
every
6
months**



**#3
Dry chemical
Portable**

**Inspected
& tagged
every
12
months**



**#4
Propane
tanks
MUST
be secured**



**#5
Temporary electrical
boxes, lights, cords,
and power strips
subject to the weather
MUST be listed for
outdoor use**

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