**CITY OF BRIDGETON**

**Cooking Vendor, Tent & Canopy**

**Guidelines**

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NJ UNIFORM FIRE CODE: COOKING VENDOR GUIDELINES

* The following are minimum guidelines for each cooking vendor at festivals, carnivals, etc.
* A site plan may be required by the Fire Official prior to event.

FIRE SAFETY PERMIT: Cooking vendor permits – a permit application shall be submitted through the City of Bridgeton Bureau of Fire Prevention for each vendor for every event.

N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7(a); All cooking vendors shall be required to apply for a fire safety permit through the City of Bridgeton Bureau of Fire Prevention. All permits shall be made available to the fire official upon inspection.

N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.9(c) 1; Type 1 Permit Fee $54.00-vendors shall apply and pay the permit fee. Permits will not be issued unless payment is made in full. This is an application processing fee and is not refundable.

N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7(f); The Fire Official upon inspection may deny or revoke a permit at any time; this can be due to failure to meet the permit conditions, unabated fire code violations or unsafe conditions.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER: All cooking vendors shall supply their own fire extinguishers.

2015 IFC-NJ 906.2; All fire extinguishers shall comply with NFPA 10/2018. All Fire extinguishers shall have a valid dated inspection tag, good of one year.

2015 IFC-NJ 904.12.5; Class K portable fire extinguishers are required for cooking with vegetable or animal oils and fats.

2015 IFC-NJ 904.12.5.1; Class K portable fire extinguishers are required for cooking with solid fuel.

2015 IFC-NJ 904.12.5.2; Class K portable fire extinguishers required for deep fat fryers. (see 2015 IFC-NJ for size and quantity)

PROPANE TANK:

2015 IFC-NJ 5303.5.3; Propane tanks shall be secured, to prevent falling over.

2015 IFC-NJ 6103.1; Propane tanks and equipment shall comply with NFPA 58/2017.

2015 IFC-NJ 6103.2; Propane tanks shall not be taken into buildings/tents, (see 2015-61 for exceptions)

MOBILE CANTEENS & COOKING TRAILERS:

N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.7(G); All cooking operations that produce grease laden vapors shall be equipped with a ventilating hood, duct, and automatic fire suppression system.

2015 IFC-NJ 904.6; Dry chemical extinguishing systems shall be maintained and inspected semi-annually as per NFPA 17/2017.

2015 IFC-NJ 904.5; Wet chemical extinguishing systems shall be maintained and inspected semi-annually as per NFPA 17A/2017.

2015 IFC-NJ 609.3.3.2; Excessive grease and residue buildup on kitchen exhaust systems, cleaning required.

MISCELLANEOUS:

2015 IFC-NJ 104.4; All appliances shall be listed and labeled and approved by the fire code official. (No homemade appliances).

2015 IFC-NJ 3103.8.2; No vehicles shall be parked within 5 feet of tents or canopies.

2015 IFC-NJ 3104.15.3; Suitable barricades shall be provided to maintain a distance of 5 feet between the heat producing appliance and the public.

* Propane tanks between 4 and 40 lbs shall have an Overfill Protection Device for Filling in NJ.
* Propane tanks shall be hydro tested every 12 years, and not dented or badly rusted.
* Regulator shall be in good condition and the relief valve shall face away from the public areas.
* All plastic type protective caps shall be removed from all propane tanks before operating.
* Hoses shall not be frayed or cracked, and there shall not be any type of tape on the hose.
* Hoses shall not be covered with grease and shall not be swollen.
* Hoses shall not create a tripping hazard.
* Only approved lighter fluid shall be used for charcoal grills.
* Sterno warmers may be used to provide the fuel containers are properly protected from being knocked over and if the fuel containers are properly enclosed within the warmer units.