

CITY OF KINGSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

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REQUIREMENTS FOR MOBILE FOOD VEHICLES, TENTS, AND OUTDOOR COOKING

Your mobile food preparation vehicle or food vendor establishment is required to have an inspection from the Fire Inspector prior to conducting business in the City of Kingsville. **Contact the Kingsville Fire Marshal's office at 361-221-6757.** Provide proof of the following when applying for a Mobile Food Establishment permit in the City of Kingsville. **If any of the items below are missing from your application packet, your permit will not be issued.** All items on this list will be compliant with the 2024 IFC and NFPA 96, 2017 Edition along with Appendix B of that Code as Amended and Adopted by the City of Kingsville.

- Mobile food preparation vehicles that are equipped with cooking appliances that produce smoke or grease-laden vapors will be provided with a Type 1 kitchen exhaust hood in accordance with Section 607. [Reference 2024 International Fire Code Section 319.3]
- Cooking equipment in mobile food preparation vehicles will be protected by a UL300 compliant automatic fire extinguishing system in accordance with Section 904.12. [Reference 2024 International Fire Code Section 319.4.1]
- A current inspection tag affixed to the system by a State licensed servicing company shall be present. [Reference 2024 International Fire Code Section 904.12.5.2]
- Where LP-gas systems provide fuel for cooking appliances, a *listed* LP-gas alarm will be installed within the vehicle in the vicinity of LP-gas system components, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. [Reference 2024 International Fire Code Section 319.8.5]



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- **Fuel gas systems** - LP-gas containers installed on the vehicle and fuel gas piping systems will be **inspected and pressure tested annually** by an *approved* inspection agency or a company that is registered with the U.S. Department of Transportation to requalify LP-gas cylinders, to ensure that system components are free from damage, suitable for the intended service and not subject to leaking. CNG containers shall be inspected every 3 years in a qualified service facility. CNG containers will not be used past their expiration date as listed on the manufacturer's container label. Upon satisfactory inspection, the *approved* inspection agency will affix a tag on the fuel gas system or within the vehicle indicating the name of the inspection agency and the date of satisfactory inspection. [Reference 2024 International Fire Code Section 319.10.3]

No more than 3 propane cylinders are allowed up to 15 lbs. each and need to be properly secured.

- **Fryers** - Any fryers of any kind whether in a mobile food trailer or outdoors Must be under a vent hood and protected by a UL300 compliant automatic fire extinguishing system in accordance with Section 904.12. [Reference 2024 International Fire Code Section 319.4.1] **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Current Vehicle License Plate and Registration information.

Proof of Financial Responsibility (Insurance)



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FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- All vendors are required to have at least one fire extinguisher with a minimum rating of 2-A:10-B:C and a current inspection/service tag from a State licensed fire extinguisher company. The fire extinguisher will be visible and unobstructed.
- Cooking equipment involving vegetable or animal oils and fats will be protected by a Class K-rated portable extinguisher. The fire extinguisher shall have a current inspection/service tag from a State licensed fire extinguisher company.

FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS

- A Type 1 hood shall be installed at or above all commercial and domestic cooking appliances used for commercial purposes that produce smoke or grease-laden vapors. A Type I hood system will be equipped with an automatic fire extinguishing system. The fire extinguishing system will have a current inspection/service tag from a State licensed fire extinguisher company.

COMPRESSED GAS / LPG

- Cylinders will be properly secured by one or more restraints.
- An inspection and leak test should be performed on all gas systems prior to each use.
- A listed LP-gas alarm will be installed within vehicles utilizing LP-gas for cooking operations • Minimum of a 10-foot clearance from any trash or combustible materials.
- Cylinders will not be kept in passenger area of vehicle.
- Cylinders will be kept away from open flames, generators, or other sources of ignition.



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GENERATORS

- Portable generators will be located no less than 25 feet from combustibles or public areas.
- Refueling will not be conducted when the event is open and operating.
- Generator will be in safe working conditions according to the manufacturer's requirements.

ELECTRICAL/EXTENSION CORDS

- Extension cords and flexible cords will not be a substitute for permanent wiring.
- Extension cords and flexible cords will not be affixed to structures, extended through walls, ceilings, floors, under doors, or floor coverings, nor will such cords be subject to environmental damage or physical impact.
- Extension cords will be used only with portable appliances.
- Extension cords will be properly rated for use according to the manufacturer's requirements.

VEHICLE/TRAILER LOCATION

- The placement of the concession operation shall not interfere with any fire lane, fire break, fire hydrant, or exit access of any structures.
- Vehicle/Trailer will be located to allow for adequate emergency vehicle access.



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GENERAL FIRE SAFETY

- Accumulation of combustible rubbish will not produce conditions that will create a nuisance or a hazard to the public health, safety, or welfare.
- Clearance between ignition/heat sources and combustible materials will be maintained in an *approved* manner.
- Only *approved* containers and portable tanks will be used for flammable and combustible liquids.
- Flammable and combustible liquids will be separated from combustible materials and ignition/heat sources by at least 10 feet. Cooking under non-fire-rated tents is prohibited.

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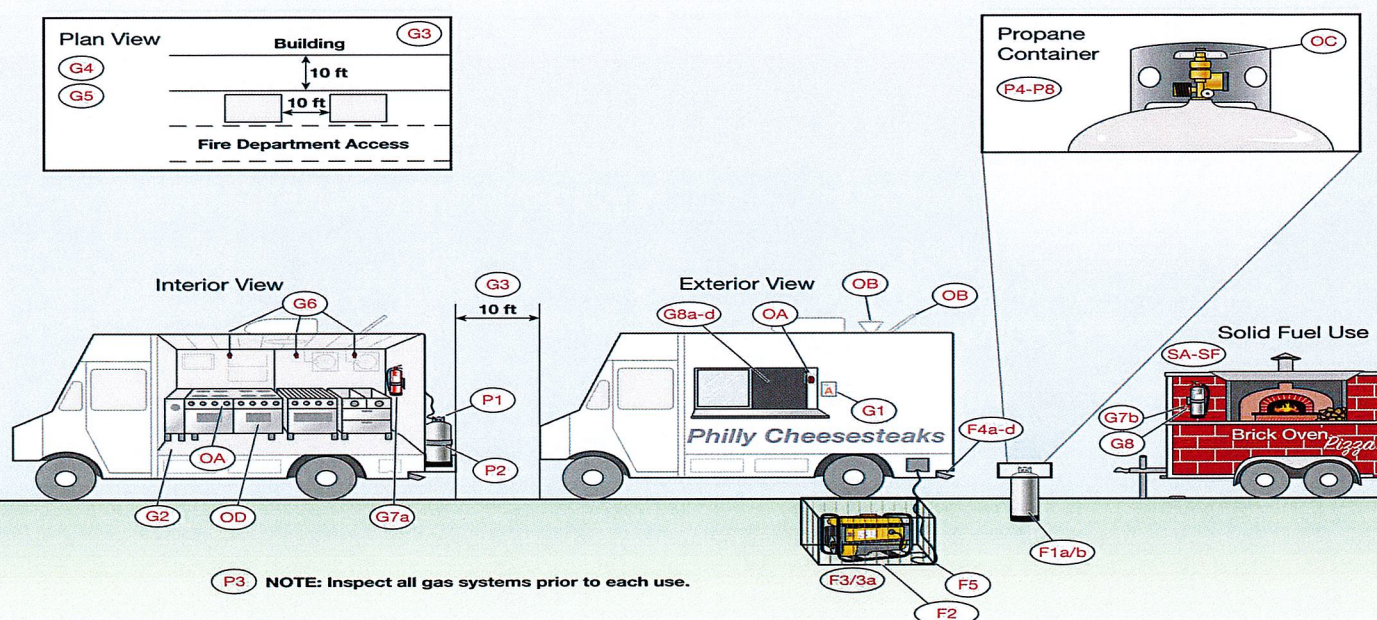
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FACT SHEET

FOOD TRUCK SAFETY



NFPA code references are provided at the end of each item. The red keys correspond to the NFPA food truck safety diagram. For more detailed information, see NFPA 1 and Annex B in NFPA 96.

General Safety Checklist

- ☐ Obtain license or permits from the local authorities. [1:1.12.8(a)] **G1**
- ☐ Ensure there is no public seating within the mobile food truck. [1:50.7.1.6.3] **G2**
- ☐ Check that there is a clearance of at least 10 ft away from buildings, structures, vehicles, and any combustible materials. [96:7.8.2; 96:7.8.3 for carnivals only] **G3**
- ☐ Verify fire department vehicular access is provided for fire lanes and access roads. [1:18.2.4] **G4**
- ☐ Ensure clearance is provided for the fire department to access fire hydrants and access fire department connections. [1:13.1.3; 1:13.1.4; 1:13.1.5] **G5**
- ☐ Check that appliances using combustible media are protected by an approved fire extinguishing system. [96:10.1.2] **G6**

- ☐ Verify portable fire extinguishers have been selected and installed in kitchen cooking areas in accordance with NFPA 10. [96:10.9.3] **G7a**
- ☐ Where solid fuel cooking appliance produce grease-laden vapors, make sure the appliances are protected by listed fire-extinguishing equipment. [96:14.7.1] **G7b**
- ☐ Ensure that workers are trained in the following: [96:B.15.1]: **G8**
 - ☐ Proper use of portable fire extinguishers and extinguishing systems [10:1.2] **G8a**
 - ☐ Proper method of shutting off fuel sources [96:10.4.1] **G8b**
 - ☐ Proper procedure for notifying the local fire department [1:10.14.9 for carnivals only] **G8c**
 - ☐ Proper procedure for how to perform simple leak test on gas connections [58:6.16, 58:6.17] **G8d**

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