



# FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

## EVENTS & FESTIVALS IN SURREY

Follow these requirements to prevent delays or disruptions and to ensure a safe and fun event for everyone.

### OUTDOOR EVENTS

#### FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- ❑ Must have a minimum rating of 2A-10BC. *Not sure what this means? Learn about ratings by searching Fire Extinguishers at [www.ccohs.ca](http://www.ccohs.ca).*

#### LOCATION

- ❑ Must be located within the area occupied by each tent.
- ❑ Must be within a 75 ft (23 m) walking distance.
- ❑ Must be mounted in a visible location – not on the floor or behind another object.

#### SERVICING AND CONDITION

- ❑ Must have a current service tag.
- ❑ Maintenance report must be provided if requested to identify any deficiencies.
- ❑ Must be full and functioning with no leaks, damage, corrosion or clogged nozzles.

#### K-CLASS EXTINGUISHERS

(Required for cooking with woks or deep fryers)

- ❑ Must have a current service tag.
- ❑ Must be within 30 ft (9 m) of all kitchen areas.

#### WILL FOOD BE COOKED OR HEATED AT YOUR EVENT?



- ❑ Appropriate fire extinguishers must be located at each cooking area with no more than 30 ft (9 m) between extinguishers.
- ❑ If cooking in a wok or deep frying, see K-Class extinguisher information at left.

#### TENTS USED FOR COOKING/HEATING FOOD:

- ❑ Must have the appropriate fire extinguishers.
- ❑ Must be made of material with a flame-spread rating equivalent to CAN/ULC S-109. Look for this on the package or tag.



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Surrey Fire Services Fire Prevention  
604-543-6780 or [fireprevention@surrey.ca](mailto:fireprevention@surrey.ca)  
[www.surrey.ca/fireservice](http://www.surrey.ca/fireservice)

Event hosting info: [www.surrey.ca/eventhosting](http://www.surrey.ca/eventhosting)



## ELECTRICAL AND GENERATORS

- ❑ Portable generators must have no obvious disrepair and all stock fittings must be intact.
- ❑ Electrical boxes must be covered with an approved cover.
- ❑ Surge protectors, power bars or extension cords may generally be used on a temporary basis only.

## FIREWORKS

- ❑ A certified pyrotechnician must submit a pyrotechnic display application to Surrey Fire Services. *Learn more on the [Fireworks Permit page at www.surrey.ca/firesevice](http://www.surrey.ca/firesevice).*

## FOOD TRUCKS

- ❑ All mobile food vendors must have valid inspection certification issued by any participating municipality in the Greater Vancouver Fire Chiefs Association Mobile Food Vendor working group, or equivalent. *Learn more on the [Food Truck page at www.surrey.ca/neighbourhoods](http://www.surrey.ca/neighbourhoods).*

## SITE ACCESS AND EXITING

- ❑ If fencing is erected, an exiting plan must be submitted to Surrey Fire Services for approval.
- ❑ Storage items must not block exits.
- ❑ Access for emergency vehicles must be maintained.

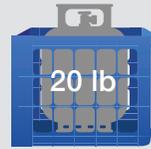
## OTHER

- ❑ **Portable gasoline cans** must have no obvious disrepair and stock fittings must be intact.
- ❑ **Hot water tank/heater venting** must be installed a safe distance from the temporary tent structures.

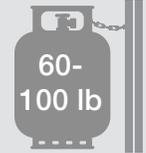
## PROPANE TANKS

### LOCATION DURING USE

- ❑ Tanks must be at least 9 ft (3 m) from any structure, away from standing grass or combustible items.



- ❑ 20lb tanks must be placed in a milk crate or equivalent.



- ❑ 60-100lb tanks must be secured by chain to a secure object (tent post) to help prevent accidental tipping,

### CONDITION

- ❑ Propane tanks must be less than 10 years old from the original qualification date.
- ❑ Gas lines must be free of splits, cracks or other wear and utilize only approved connecting hardware i.e. crimped connections. NO vise grips or other unprofessional adaptations are allowed.

### EXTRA TANK STORAGE

- ❑ Extra cylinders must be stored in a well-ventilated, secure area safe from vandals, and inside a metal cage with ventilation above and beneath.

## INDOOR EVENTS

### BUILDING EXITING

- ❑ Usual building exiting must be maintained.

### DISPLAYS

- ❑ Must not block access to or function of any building fire safety features.

### DRAPES & FABRIC COVERINGS

- ❑ Must have a flame-spread rating equivalent to CAN/ULC S-109. Look for this on the package or tag.