

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP FIRE BUREAU

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Cooking Vender Permit Requirements

General Requirements

- ❖ There shall be a minimum of 2A-20BC portable fire extinguisher visible and accessible within 10 feet of cooking operations. Extinguisher must be fully charged and has a valid annual inspection ta attached N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 906.2
- ❖ A Class K portable fire extinguishers are required for cooking with vegetable or animal oils and fats and/or solid fuels N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 904.12.5
- All propane tanks must be hydrostatically tested and stamped accordingly and shall comply with NFPA 58/2004. Tanks shall not be dented or rusted. Every tank must be properly secured minimum 5 feet away from any combustible material. All hose connections shall not pass through sharp or other areas that are conducive to damaging a hose. Propane tanks shall not be taken into buildings/tents, (see 2006-1 for exceptions) N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 5303.5.3
- ❖ All cooking operations shall be constantly supervised by a competent adult.
- Flammable liquids such as but not limited to gasoline and lighter fluid shall not be used to ignite a cooking fire. *Ignition fluids designated for the purpose of lighting charcoal may be used but never on a lit fire or while other people are in the surrounding area*
- No cooking is to be performed under a tent without permission of the Fire Official.
- All appliances shall be listed and labeled and approved by the fire code official. (No homemade appliances). N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 104.3

Food Truck Specific (Including General Requirements)

- ❖ Each food truck must be a minimum of 15 feet from any structure and other cooking operations including other food trucks.
- ❖ All cooking operations that produce grease laden vapors shall be equipped with a ventilating hood, duct, and automatic fire suppression system. All ventilation hoods must be a NFPA 96 approved hood and must maintain if as per NFPA 96 standards including providing cleaning reports. A NFPA 17A fire suppression system must be maintained as per NFPA 17A standards. Each suppression system requires semiannual maintenance/inspection and reports must be provided. N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.7(g)
- Every food truck is required to obtain a permit from the Marlboro Township Fire Bureau and is subject to a mandatory inspection the day of the event.

Note: An inspection of all cooking operations will be conducted at the site by a member of the Marlboro Township Fire Bureau. Failure to comply could result in the permit being revoked, all cooking operations shut down and/or a penalty. Permits will not be issued unless payment is made in full. This is an application processing fee and is not refundable.

Signature of Acceptance and Understanding:		
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Canopies and Tents

- All vendors with tents/canopies meeting the below, shall be required to apply for a fire safety permit for each vendor for every event. N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7(a)
 - All tents/canopies greater than 900 square feet with or without side panels will require a separate permit for each. (up to 16800 square feet)
 - All tents/canopies greater than 30 feet in any dimension will require a separate permit for each.
 (up to 140 feet)
 - o All tents/canopies that will remain in place for fewer than 180 days.
 - All tents/canopies that are used or occupied between April 1 and November 30. All tents/canopies that do not have a permanent anchoring system or foundation.
 - o All tents/canopies that contain platforms and bleachers up to 11 feet in height.
- ❖ Fire extinguishers at least one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating, or two portable fire extinguishers with a minimum 2-A rating each, shall be provided in/under all tents as required by section 906. N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 3104.12
- Tents/canopies shall be constructed of fire retardant materials or be properly treated as per NFPA 701/1999. Proper documentation shall be provided by the vendor upon inspection. N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 3104.2
- Combustible materials and excessive trash shall not be located within any tent or canopy (min. 20 feet clearance). N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 3104.5
- Gasoline, gas, charcoal or other cooking device or any other unapproved open flame shall not be permitted inside or located within 20 feet of the tent or canopy. N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 3104.7
 - o No cooking under tents.
 - o No deep fryers shall be under tents.
 - No cooking with grease laden vapors under tents.
- ❖ Exit signs are required when the exit serves and occupant load of 50 or more. Exit signs shall be illuminated for occupant loads of 300 or less and an approved emergency system for occupant loads greater than 300. N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 3103.12.6
- ❖ Means of egress shall be illuminated from a separate circuit or source of power. (Not less than 1-foot candle (11lux) at floor level) N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 3103.12.7;
- Means of egress, width of exits, aisles and passageways shall be maintained at all times. N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 3103.12.8;
- NJ UCC TENT PERMIT REQUIRED: Larger than 16800 square feet in size, greater than 140 feet in any dimension, bleachers or platforms higher than 11 feet, up for more than 180 days and used between December 1 and March 31 or having a permanent anchoring system or foundation.

Note: An inspection of all tents and canopies will be conducted at the site by a member of the Marlboro Township Fire Bureau. Failure to comply could result in the permit being revoked, all cooking operations shut down and/or a penalty. Permits will not be issued unless payment is made in full. This is an application processing fee and is not refundable.

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