

# BIRMINGHAM FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

## FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

### STREET FESTIVAL FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST

**MOBILE FOOD TRUCKS:** Trailer or mobile cooking units that have a hood extinguishing system shall have a current inspection tag (within 6 months of date of event) by a licensed extinguishing company and a Class K extinguisher with a current inspection tag, prior to event.

**COOKING TENTS:** Shall be separated from other tents, canopies, or membrane structures by a min of 10 feet; shall have flame retardant label or certification papers; flaps shall be secured to prevent contact with cooking equipment; shall have 3 a foot spacing between tent material and equipment and shall be non-accessible to the public.

#### **LP (PROPANE) TANKS:**

1. All propane tanks and piping, tubing or hoses shall be undamaged, and specifically listed for use with LP gas. Damaged lines must be replaced prior to event.
2. LP tanks shall be stable, located outside of tents, out of workers and the public's way and valves protected from damage.
3. Extra LP tanks: Shall be secured in the upright position, located outside of tents, not easily accessible to the public, passing vehicles, and protected from damage.
4. LP Tanks shall not be located between tents
5. Relief valves on containers shall be pointed away from the tent, canopy, or membrane structure and other LP tanks
6. All containers, empty or full shall be plugged with an approved plug if not connected for use.
7. Containers and hoses shall not be located where it will be exposed to excessive heat.
8. LP gas containers shall not be located inside mobile cooking units.

**CHARCOAL/WOOD COOKING:** Shall have a water hose in addition to a five (5) LB minimum ABC extinguisher.

**GENERATORS:** Exhaust shall be directed away from buildings, other cooking vehicles, and public areas.

**GASOLINE:** Gasoline onsite for refueling of generators shall be in an approved container and stored a min of 3 feet away from the generator on the non-exhausting side, out of the sun.

**NON-COOKING TENTS:** Shall be separated a min of 3 feet from other non-cooking tents and 10 feet from cooking tents.

**EXTINGUISHERS:** Cooking oil operations (vegetable animal fats or oils) shall have a Class K extinguisher and a five (5) LB ABC extinguisher. All other cooking operations shall have a five (5) LB minimum ABC extinguisher. ALL extinguishers shall have a current inspection tag (within 12 months of date of event). Must be onsite prior to event.

**EXTENSION CORDS:** Heavy-duty all-weather cords only. No household extension cords will be allowed. All cords are to be secured and out of the public's way.