

FIRE DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS

The information contained in this brief outline does not by any means cover completely the ordinances and regulations contained in Dallas Fire code, but it does provide the basic rules governing concessions, exhibits and shows in any building open to the public.

1. Submit plans to the fire marshal before erecting a structure as a display inside an exhibit building unless the decorative and construction materials are non-combustible or flameproof.
2. All exit doors serving any occupied area of the building must remain unlocked unobstructed, and in proper operating condition; exit signs must function properly and be visible from all areas.
3. All curtains, drapes, or decorations must be non-combustible or flameproof.
4. Any merchandise or material attached to drapes or table skirts must be non-combustible or flameproof.
5. Fire extinguishing equipment needs will be determined by the fire marshal and any such equipment must remain visible and accessible.
6. Automotive vehicles and equipment may be displayed if:
 - a. There is not more than 5 gallons of fuel or the minimum amount for positioning.
 - b. Fuel tanks are locked and sealed.
 - c. Battery cables are disconnected.
 - d. Ignition keys are removed and at display location.
 - e. Vehicle operation is limited to brief parade type displays specifically approved by the fire marshal.
7. The storage of combustible shipping containers must be confined to area approved by the fire marshal.
8. The use, display, or storage of LPG, flammable liquid, or flammable gas must be approved by the fire marshal in writing.
9. NO SMOKING BY ORDER OF THE FIRE MARSHAL signs must be posted and maintained in areas so designated by the fire marshal; where smoking is allowed, non-combustible ash trays must be approved.
10. The use of open flames, burning, or smoke-emitting materials as part of an act, display, or show is prohibited.
11. Combustible waste is to be collected as it accumulates and be stored in non-combustible, covered containers which are emptied at least once each day.
12. The use of welding and cutting equipment for demonstration purposes must be by permit from the fire marshal.
13. The use of compressed gas cylinders must be approved by the fire marshal and cylinders must be firmly secured in an upright position.
14. All commercial type cooking appliances shall be equipped with ventilation hoods and approved automatic extinguishing systems. All other cooking devices shall have adequate separation from combustible materials by spacing or non-combustible shielding.
15. The use of any gas-fire appliance must be approved by the fire marshal; the use of salamander stoves is prohibited.
16. Sawdust and shavings shall be kept flameproofed.
17. The storage of hay and straw must be approved by fire marshal.

**These are Basic Rules and every exhibit must comply prior to scheduled opening.
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