FIRE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR MOBILE AND TEMPORARY CONCESSION STANDS

1. Provide at least one U.L. listed ABC type portable fire extinguisher for each concession stand or mobile unit. This extinguisher should have a minimum rating of 2A-10BC. It should only be used to control a small fire. When hazard areas include production of grease latent vapors, a listed Class K portable fire extinguishers shall be provided. (904.11.5, 904.11.5.1 904.11.5.2) Extinguishers shall be inspected/ serviced annually.

Mobile units with hood fire protection systems shall be inspected at 6 month intervals per the manufacture recommendations and NFPA. The hoods shall be cleaned and not present with grease buildup.

By January 2019, all mobile food units operating in Powhatan County will have a Type 1 Hood Ventilation system installed and UL300 compliant fire suppression system with current inspection.

Cooking Under Open Walled Temporary Tents

Tents where cooking is performed shall be separated from other tents or membrane structures.

Tent walls shall not be deployed or used while cooking under a tent

Combustible materials not in use such as extra supplies for food handling shall not be stored or kept within 20 feet of the cooking appliances.

Provide at least one U.L. listed ABC type portable fire extinguisher for each. This extinguisher should have a minimum rating of 2A-10BC. When hazard areas include production of grease latent vapors, a listed Class K portable fire extinguishers shall be provided. (904.11.5, 904.11.5.1 904.11.5.2)

All compressed gas cylinders are to be properly secured and mounted outside of the concession stand.

Flame resistance of the tents shall be documented in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code and NFPA 701. Documentation shall

be retained onsite and available for review by the representatives of the Fire Marshal’s Office. (3104.2)

1. Use only heavy-duty extension cords, which are adequate to handle the appliances being used. Never use light, indoor, residential type extension cords for appliances such as coffee makers and electric fry pans, etc. Extension cords should be at least as large a gauge as the cord from the appliance.
2. Make sure your extension cords are of adequate lengths so that only one cord is required. To avoid overloading the cord, never connect more than one appliance to it. Extension cords should be no longer than necessary.
3. If you have problems with the electrical services, immediately notify staff in charge of the venue. Don't attempt to correct the problem yourself. Never tamper or bypass the electrical circuits provided by the venue.
4. Incoming electric service cables should be all-weather outdoor cables of a size capable of carrying the amperage load of the concession stand.
5. All LP- gas cylinders are to be properly secured and mounted outside of the concession stand. (3104.16)
6. Any questions you have regarding mobile and temporary concession stands in Powhatan County may be directed to the County Fire Marshal; phone 804- 598-5646 x2815.