



Islamorada, Village of Islands

Department of Fire Rescue
Office of Terry Abel, Fire Chief

Temporary Food Vendor Requirements Checklist

The Village of Islamorada Department of Fire Rescue requires that all vendors who prepare and cook food for resale comply with the following guidelines. All cooking operations shall be inspected and approved by Islamorada Fire Rescue and the Building Official or his designee prior to connecting any fuel source.

- An approved portable fire extinguisher(s) with a minimum rating of a 40 BC must be readily accessible in the cooking area. Extinguishers must be properly certified.
- If using a fryer, or griddle, a K-class fire extinguisher with a current certification is required. A method to protect fryers from inclement weather must be provided.
- All cooking equipment shall be secured on a sturdy level surface.
- If cooking equipment is installed in a vehicle or trailer, an approved hood and suppression system is required per NFPA 96
- All LP gas tanks shall be secured and/or chained so as to prevent the cylinder from falling over.
- No refilling** of LP gas cylinders is permitted anywhere on the event property.
- All tanks shall be equipped with a gas shut-off valve and located at least six (6) feet from cooking equipment. Hose from tank to equipment shall be a minimum of ten (10) feet in length. For non-commercial equipment, tanks and hoses shall be provided per manufacturer suggested guidelines.
- If using electric equipment, the power cord shall be appropriately sized for the equipment being used, with a minimum size of extension cord being #12/3, U.L. approved for outdoor use. All electrical equipment shall be inspected by the Building Official or his designee prior to being energized.
- All portable generators must be properly grounded and separated from all tents by a minimum of ten (10) feet and exhausting to open air.
- No gasoline cans permitted onsite during operating periods.
- All tent canopies that exceed one hundred sixty-nine (169) square feet must submit a "Certificate of Flame Resistance".
- All tents/vehicles staging cooking operations shall be separated from other vendors by a minimum of ten (10) feet.
- All equipment shall be vented to the outside of the tent/canopy. Vents or flus shall have at least twelve (12) inch separation from all parts of the tent/canopy.
- Cooking and dining within the same tent shall be prohibited.

Islamorada Fire Rescue will not permit connection of equipment to fuel sources prior to inspection of the site. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these requirements please contact Captain Walter Mason at (305)481-7390. For after hours and weekends please contact the Shift Captain at (305)-501-9070.

Event: _____ Date/time: _____

Vendor name: _____ Tent/space # _____

Contact name: _____ Contact # _____

Inspector: _____ Pass _____ Fail _____ Date _____