

TENT SAFETY CHECKLIST

SET UP

- Permit obtained from local licensing authority when tented area exceeds 350 sq. ft.
- Survey of tent from local fire authorities after the tent is erected but before it is occupied
- The capacity, number, remoteness and travel distance to exits have been approved by fire marshal
- Seating arrangements are in accordance with Emergency Executive orders and State Fire Safety Code
- Tents shall be 10' from structures or other tents
- Tents shall not cover more than 75% of the premises
- Emergency vehicles can reach within 150' any point of the tent exterior walls
- Existing propane containers must be at least 5' from tent
- Tent fabric is flame resistant; (Tested in accordance with NFPA 701 test method 2 ); applies to all sizes of tents
- Lighting and electrical installations are installed, operated and maintained in accordance with the electrical code
- Emergency lighting is installed
- Fire extinguishers are readily accessible and within 75' (type 2A; 10BC
- Tent guy wires and ropes must be at least 7' in height
- Tent stake lines must be least 10' apart and are not a trip hazard near the exits

OPERATIONS

- Occupant load sign posted
- Generators, if used, must be at least 5' from tent and barricaded to prevent contact. Only refilled if at least 25' from tent when public is not present
- Portable heating units or other propane use have been approved by the fire marshal
- No plastic sheeting or combustible decorations are used (unless tested to NFPA 701 and approved by fire marshal)
- Cooking is not allowed under tents occupied by the public
- No use or storage of flammable/combustible liquids
- No open flames devices allowed
- Dried out combustible vegetation or other combustibles should be kept 10' from tent