CITY OF SANFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT STANDARD & GENERAL OPERATING PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES	ARTICLE NUMBER	1212.00

SUBJECT:	Mobile or Temporary Cooking Fire Safety Requirements
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PURPOSE: To establish minimum standards and safety requirements for the operation of Temporary/Mobile Cooking facilities.

Definitions

1. **Mobile or Temporary Cooking (Food Truck) -** Any cooking apparatus or equipment operated on a one-time basis, interim basis, or for less than 90 days in the same location, other than at a fixed location, building, or structure that has been inspected and permitted under another section of this *Code*, regulation, or statute [(NFPA 1: 3.3.187) 2018 ed.] Mobile or temporary cooking can include self-propelled trucks and vehicles; trailered units; push carts; equipment located under cover of awnings, canopies, or pop-up tents; or other structures for which a building permit has not been issued [(NFPA 1: A.3.3.187) 2018 ed.]

Inspection Procedure

2. Food Truck Fire Safety Inspections shall be conducted at the start of the Special Event or whenever deemed appropriate by the Fire Marshal or his designee.
3. The food truck may be subject to leave the event if a violation is found during inspection that is deemed a life safety hazard or the food truck was previously inspected and is still not in compliance.

Vehicular Parking

3. Restrictions are established prohibiting the parking of mobile food vehicles in the following areas:
   3.1. Within 10 feet of a structure.
   3.2. Cannot block or hinder fire department access roads, fire lanes, or any other fire protection devices not listed.
   3.3. Within 10 feet of another food truck.
4. Wheel chocks shall be used to prevent mobile and temporary cooking units from moving.
5. Single trailers shall be connected to the vehicle at all times when used to block a road for emergency access.

Portable Generators

6. Use of portable generators Diesel or propane stored on the vehicle shall be in an enclosed compartment with vents.
7. Portable generators shall be positioned so that they exhaust is at least 5 feet in any direction away from any openings, air intakes, means of egress, or from any building, structure, or vehicle.

Propane and Fuel Requirements

8. Storage of gasoline is strictly prohibited inside vehicle unless complying with NFPA 30.
9. Fueling from a container shall be permitted when the engine is shut down and engine surface temperatures is below the auto-ignition temperature of the fuel.
10. Fuel containers are not to be stored next to running equipment.
11. There shall be no more than 100 pounds of propane in/on the vehicle.
12. All propane tanks shall be mechanically secured and protected from damage and maintained per NFPA 58.
13. A propane leak detection device shall be installed (if applicable) and in operation while in use.
14. All gas lines shall be in good condition or be replaced per NFPA 58

15. Mobile or temporary cooking operations that use wood or charcoal shall comply with Section 14.9 of NFPA 96.

Hood and Extinguishing Requirements

16. All cooking appliances creating grease-laden vapors shall be under an approved type I hood with a suppression system tagged current by a Florida licensed contractor and compliant with NFPA 96 and 17A.
17. Shall provide a 2A-10BC and a type K extinguisher certified and tagged current by a Florida licensed contractor and maintained per NFPA 10.
18. Hood cleaning and hood suppression certifications shall me the requirements of NFPA.

Miscellaneous Requirements

19. All electrical wiring shall be in good working order per NFPA 70.
20. Inspections (once compliant) completed by City of Sanford Fire Prevention will be valid within City limits for a period no greater than six months.

End of Section 1212.00