



# Clovis Fire Department

## Standard # 32

### OUTDOOR SPECIAL EVENTS

#### Scope

This standard shall be followed for street fairs, parades, carnivals, the circus or any outdoor events the Fire Marshal deems appropriate.

1. Submit to the Fire Department, a street plan indicating booths and other displays for review and approval a minimum of 4 weeks prior to the event.

#### Emergency Access

1. Maintain a minimum of a 17-foot width by 13' 6" height emergency access-way to allow for Fire, Police, or ambulance units.
2. Provide a minimum of one (1) 5-foot opening between booths, every 200 feet.
3. City alleys shall not be blocked.
4. Fire hydrants shall have a three foot (3') clearance around all sides with the side(s) facing the street totally unobstructed.

#### Cooking

1. When any flame-producing device is used for heating or cooking, a fire extinguisher (2A-10BC minimum) shall be placed in the booth or area being used. All extinguishers just have a State Fire Marshal tag dated within the last 12 months.
2. Note: The event sponsor shall have at least 5 fire extinguishers (2A-10BC minimum) available for use by vendors who fail to meet this standard. All extinguishers must have a State Fire Marshal tag dated within the last 12 months.
3. A class "K" fire extinguisher is required when cooking with oils greater than 1" in depth. This is in addition to the extinguisher listed in #1. All extinguishers must have a State Fire Marshal tag dated within the last 12 months.
4. Cooking appliances shall be located or secured from the general public. The area shall be roped off, or the cooking appliances placed behind tables or in booths.
5. No cooking or open-flame allowed within ten feet (10') to any building or structure.
6. Fuel used for cooking, and starting-fluid used for barbecues shall be stored in the original containers or approved safety containers and kept closed except when being used. All fuels shall be stored away from open flame, and used as intended, with proper safety.

### Miscellaneous Safety Requirements

1. Fireworks of any kind are not allowed to be used, stored, handled, or sold at any parade/street fair event. This includes all brands of snap caps, safe and sane fireworks.
2. All pressure vessels such as Helium and LPG shall be secured in a stable upright position with the valve mechanism protected at all times.
3. Maintain all combustibles such as paper, cloth, or wood, away from open-flame devices.
4. Approved electrical cords shall be utilized. The electrical cord rating shall meet or exceed the amp or wattage current of the appliance being served. Electrical cords shall not be placed in areas where damage can occur, or where they become a tripping hazard.
5. For tents having a floor area greater than 200 square feet or canopies in excess of 400 square feet, Clovis Fire Department Standard #21 must be followed.

### Outdoor Beer Gardens

1. Plans must be submitted at least four (4) weeks prior to the event to the Clovis Fire Department. They shall clearly illustrate dimensions, entrances, exits, stages, tables, chairs, stage and fence line.
2. A maximum occupancy sign shall be posted at the entrance. The Clovis Fire Department will calculate the maximum occupancy number.
3. If a stage is present, a 2A10BC fire extinguisher shall be located in the vicinity.
4. The garden area shall be fenced with the sections secured, six foot (6') in height, with the street exposure being covered.

Any violation of the above rules will result in enforcement actions being taken and could result in the closure of your business in the City of Clovis.

### Operational Permit

All outdoor special events will require an approved "operational permit" from the fire department prior to the event. Please fill out the attached application and submit it with your other documents and a check for \$88 made out to the "City of Clovis". Please mail or deliver your paperwork to:

Fire Marshal  
Clovis Fire Department  
1233 Fifth Street  
Clovis, CA 93612