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Fire Safety Division

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GENERAL FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Rochester Public Market

- 1. The Fire Marshal or designee will inspect propane tanks, portable generators, grills, fryers, electrical appliances, fire extinguishers and other market structures or equipment as required by the NYS Fire Code.
- 2. Proper separation and placement of booths, tents, canopies and other market structures is required to ensure:
 - Access for responders, emergency vehicles and their equipment
 - Unobstructed public ways to permit proper escape
 - Maintenance of the means egress from the booths, tents, and other structures
- 3. Vendors using a heat source (e.g. space heaters, fryers, griddles, grills) shall provide a certificate from an approved testing laboratory certifying that tents, canopies and other membrane structures (e.g. sidewalls, tarpaulins and drops) are composed of flame retardant material.
- 4. Vendors using a heat source shall have a minimum 2A:10BC rating (minimum 4 lbs.) portable fire extinguishers.
 - An additional Class K extinguisher, with a minimum 1.5 gallon (6L) capacity is required whenever there is cooking that produces grease laden vapors (e.g. fryers, griddles)
 - Portable extinguishers require a current inspection tag or proof of purchase within 1-year





2A:10BC Fire Extinguisher:

Class K Extinguisher:

- "Cooking" vendors are required to attend a RPD/RFD Safety Class. Documentation of the completion of the Safety Class must be displayed. Call 585-428-7037 or email <u>FireMarshal@cityofrochester.gov</u> for additional information.
- 6. Proper separation and approved shield shall be maintained between cooking appliances, the public and public way.
- 7. Vendors must comply with all manufacturer specifications for cooking appliance installation and use.
- 8. U.L. listed appliances and power cords shall be inspected for wear and replaced as needed.
- 9. Propane tanks will be inspected to ensure that they provide the following:
 - Hoses are appropriate for L.P. gas
 - Hoses and fittings are free from leaks
 - Tanks are properly secured

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- 10. Portable generators will be inspected to ensure they provide the following:
 - Location and barrier installation to keep public way clear
 - Minimum 14 gauge, 3-wire heavy duty power cords. 50' maximum length and rated for outdoor use. The U.L. label must still be affixed to the cord
 - Power cords do not create a trip hazard
 - Proper storage of fuel
 - Refueling of devices is not allowed during event except when:
 - The device being refueled has cooled
 - Refueling occurs at remote area away from public access
 - Fire Extinguisher with a minimum 2A:10BC (4 pound.) rating is located near the portable generator.

PORTABLE HEATER REGULATIONS

- 1. For the safety of vendors, customers and market staff the following regulations shall apply to the use of portable heaters:
 - All vendors using a heat source (e.g. portable heater, space heater) shall provide a certificate from an approved testing laboratory certifying that tents, canopies and other membrane structures (e.g. sidewalls, tarpaulins and drops) are composed of flame retardant material
 - All heaters must be U.L. listed (must have label affixed) and comply with manufacturer specifications
 - Any vendor that uses a heater shall have at least one fire extinguisher with a minimum 2A:10BC (4 pound) rating
 - All heaters must be contained in areas separate from the public. Distance separation from tents, canopies and other membrane structures shall be approved by the Fire Marshal or his designee.
 - No refueling of kerosene devices shall be permitted
 - Vendors using propane powered heaters may exchange tanks after device has sufficiently cooled
 - Only propane amounts sufficient to supply the device for the duration of the event is permissible
 - Combustible materials shall be kept a safe distance away from all heating devices
 - Electric heaters are <u>not</u> allowed on market grounds without prior approval from the Public Market staff and the Fire Marshal
 - The Fire Marshal reserves the right to disallow any heating device

The City of Rochester Fire Department will periodically conduct inspections at the Rochester Public Market. Vendors are responsible for correcting violations and paying any resulting fines.

Please send your questions and comments to <u>FireMarshal@cityofrochester.gov</u> or call the Fire Safety office at 585-428-7037. The Rochester Fire Department thanks you for your cooperation.

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