

Fire Code Recommendations for Food Vendors

For specific questions and regulations, contact Jackson Hole Fire & EMS

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- All outdoor commercial vendors and food concessions must have a fire extinguisher that has been purchased within one calendar year of the date of the event, or that has been examined monthly and inspected annually. Vendors must be able to present a copy of the technician's maintenance tag or the fire extinguisher receipt of purchase upon inspection. Extinguishers should be easily accessible and visible.
- Non-cooking vendors outdoors must have, not less than one 2A10BC extinguisher.
- All cooking vendors must have not less than one Type K extinguisher.
- Cooking appliances or devices that produce sparks or grease-laden vapors or flying embers shall not be used within 20' of a tent or temporary structure.

Tents

- Tents and membrane structures having an area in excess of 400 square feet shall not be erected, operated or maintained for any purpose without first obtaining a permit and approval from the fire code office Online link:
<http://www.tetoncountywy.gov/FormCenter/Jackson-Hole-Teton-County-FireEMS-8/Temporary-Tent-Permit-Form-79>
- All vendors that utilize tents must present proof that the tent meets a recognized flame-retardant standard (NFPA 701), upon inspection. If a tent or structure is rented, check with the rental company to ensure the tent meets this standard.
- Tents that are sided, more than 200 square feet, hold more than 50 people or where any cooking is done are required to submit a separate tent floor plan sketch indicating means of egress, seating capacity, location and type of any heating and/or electrical equipment.
- Tents shall not be located within 20' of lot lines, buildings, other tents, canopies or membrane structures, parked vehicles or internal combustion engines.
- "NO SMOKING" signs shall be posted.
- Tents requiring permits with a 75' travel distance must have a minimum of one 2A10BC fire extinguisher.

Mobile Food Trucks:

- Food trucks operating in the Town of Jackson and/or Teton County must complete the Mobile Food Preparation Vehicle Checklist: <http://www.tetoncountywy.gov/FormCenter/Jackson-Hole-Teton-County-FireEMS-8/Mobile-Food-Preparation-Vehicle-Checklis-87>. All mobile food preparation vehicles working within Teton County shall be expected to comply with all requirements of Section 319 of the 2021 International Fire Code.
- Food trucks require an annual inspection by JH Fire.

Generators/Extension Cords/Electric Wiring

- Generators are kept away from combustibles, isolated from public by physical guard/fence/enclosure and have a fire extinguisher.
- Extension cords must be UL or CSA approved and not crossing egress paths (or protected from foot traffic).
- Electrical equipment/wiring shall be listed and labeled for outdoor use.

Recreational Fires:

- Only listed portable outdoor fireplaces (solid fuel burning constructed of steel, concrete, clay or other noncombustible material) and not operated within 15' of a structure/combustible material.
- Fire must be constantly attended. Water, fire extinguisher, dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or other on-site fire extinguishing equipment must be available.
- Fires must be extinguished with gusty or strong winds.