

## LICENSING / PERMITS

- ☑ Current Department of Motor Vehicles Registration in the State of Florida
- ☑ Department of Business & Professional Regulation (Contact 850-487-1395)
- ☑ Monroe County Building Permit Temporary Food Truck Permit (305-289-2501)
- ☑ Florida Department of Health permit application for a Mobile Food Dispensing Vehicle (850-245-4250)

## OPERATIONAL SAFETY

- ☑ Do not leave cooking equipment unattended while it is still hot. (This is the leading cause of home structure fire injuries.)
- ☑ Operate Cooking equipment only when all windows, service hatches, and ventilation sources are fully opened. (NFPA 96: 14.2.2 & 14.2.3)
- ☑ Close Gas supply piping valves and gas container valves when equipment is not in use. (NFPA 58: 6.26.8.3)
- ☑ Keep cooking equipment, including the cooking ventilation system, clean by regularly removing grease. (NFPA 96: 11.4)

## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- ☑ Extinguishers are accessible and properly spaced/mounted.
- ☑ Extinguishers are maintained and have a current inspection tag by contractor licensed in Florida.
- ☑ Class K extinguisher provided where vegetable and animal oils/fats are used for cooking.
- ☑ Travel distance to fire extinguisher does not exceed 75' (other requirements may apply).

## WORKER TRAINING

- ☑ Proper use of portable fire extinguishers and extinguishing systems
- ☑ Proper method of shutting off fuel sources
- ☑ Proper procedure for emergency responses / notifying the fire department.
- ☑ Proper procedure for how to perform simple leak test on gas connections
- ☑ Documentation must be provided for required training. (Request Checklist)

## CODE RESOURCES

The following are the applicable Fire and Life Safety Codes and Standards for reference:

- ☑ The Florida Fire Prevention Code (FFPC) 8<sup>th</sup> edition effective December 31, 2023, consisting of NFPA 1, NFPA 101, F.S. 633, & F.A.C. Chapter 69A.
- ☑ NFPA 10 Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers
- ☑ NFPA 13 Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems
- ☑ NFPA 25 Standard for the Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems
- ☑ NFPA 58 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code
- ☑ NFPA 70® National Electric Code® current edition
- ☑ NFPA 72 National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code
- ☑ NFPA 96 Standard for Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations.

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# Monroe County

# Fire Rescue

## Mobile

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## Cooking

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## Safety

## Requirements



## GENERAL SAFETY

- ☑ All fire lanes and fire department vehicular access are marked and unobstructed. (NFPA 1, Ch. 18.2.4)
- ☑ Clearance is provided for the fire department to access fire hydrants and connections (NFPA 1:13.1.3-13.1.5)
- ☑ Address numbers are visible, contrasting and a minimum of 6" high.
- ☑ Appliances using combustible media are protected by an approved fire extinguishing system. (NFPA 96:10.1.2)
- ☑ Portable fire extinguishers have been selected and installed in kitchen areas in accordance with NFPA 10 (NFPA 96: 10.9.3)
- ☑ No grilles or similar gas or charcoal fueled devices used for cooking or heating are located on any balcony, under any overhang or within 10' of any structure.
- ☑ An approved method of contacting 911 is available and the current location of the operation is posted for employees.
- ☑ Wheel chocks shall be used (and in place whenever parked) to prevent mobile cooking unit from moving.
- ☑ Ensure there is no public seating within the mobile food truck.

## SOLID FUEL SAFETY

- ☑ Where solid fuel cooking appliances produce grease-laden vapors, appliances are protected by listed fire-extinguishing equipment (NFPA 96:14.7.1)
- ☑ Fuel is not stored: 1) above any heat-producing appliance or vent (NFPA 96: 14.9.2.2), 2) closer than 3 ft to any cooking appliance (NFPA 96: 14.9.2.2), 3) near any combustible flammable liquids, ignition sources, chemicals, and food supplies and packaged goods. (NFPA 96: 14.9.2.7), & 4) fuel is not stored in the path of the ash removal or near removed ashes (NFPA 96: 14.9.2.4)
- ☑ Ash, cinders, and other removed fire debris should be removed from the firebox at regular intervals and at least once a day (NFPA 96: 14.9.3.6.1)
- ☑ Removed ashes, cinders, and other removed fire debris should be placed in a closed, metal container located at least 3 ft from any cooking appliance.

## FUEL SAFETY

- ☑ Portable Cylinders are secured upright to prevent tipping over. (NFPA 58: 6.26.3.4)
- ☑ ASME containers shall be mounted securely with proper road clearance to prevent jarring loose, slipping or rotating in a bracket, a recess or a vapor tight cabinet vented to the outside.
- ☑ No more than 200 gal.
- ☑ Weather protection is provided.
- ☑ All valves, appurtenances and connections shall be protected from accidental damage from contact or road debris.
- ☑ LP Containers shall be marked IAW US DOT Regulations Section VII of ASME Code "Rules for the construction of unfired pressure vessels."
- ☑ LP Shut-Off: A sign is affixed with reflective decal letters a minimum of 2" tall that indicates the location of the LP Shutoff.
- ☑ LP gas system has been certified for compliance with NFPA 58 annually by contractor licensed in Florida.
- ☑ Ensure that Refueling is conducted only during non-operating hours. (NFPA 96: B.18.3)
- ☑ Check that any engine-driven source of power is separated from the public by barriers, such as physical guards, fencing or enclosures. (NFPA 96: B.16.2.2)
- ☑ Ensure that any engine-driven source of power is shut down prior to refueling from a portable container. (NFPA 1: 11.7.2.1.2)
- ☑ Check that surfaces of engine-driven source of power are cool to the touch prior to refueling from a portable container. (NFPA 1: 11.7.2.1.2)
- ☑ Make sure that exhaust from engine driven source of power complies with the following: 1) At least 10 ft in all directions from openings and air intakes (NFPA 96: B.13), 2) At least 10 ft from every means of egress (NFPA 96: B.13), 3) Directed away from all buildings (NFPA 1: 11.7.2.2), 4) Directed away from all other cooking vehicles and operations (NFPA 1: 11.7.2.2.2).
- ☑ Ensure that all electrical appliances, fixtures, equipment, and wiring complies with the NFPA 70® (National Electrical Code, current edition).
- ☑ Main Shutoff valve on all gas containers must be readily accessible. (NFPA 58: 6.26.4.1(3))
- ☑ Inspect gas systems prior to each use.
- ☑ Perform leak testing on all new gas connections of the system (NFPA 58: 6.16, 6.17)

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- ☑ Document leak testing and make documentation available for review by the authorized official (NFPA 58: 6.26.5.1(M)).
- ☑ A flexible connector is installed between the regulator outlet and fixed piping system. (NFPA 58: 6.26.5.1(B))

## COOKING & SUPPRESSION

- ☑ Mobile or temporary operations shall be separated from buildings, structures, combustible materials, vehicles and other cooking operations by a minimum of 10 ft. (NFPA 96: 7.8.2)
- ☑ The suppression system is tagged and inspected within 6 months by contractor licensed in Florida. (NFPA 96:12.2)
- ☑ The hood system is free of excess accumulated grease.
- ☑ All cooking appliances are contained under the hood system.
- ☑ Cooking equipment is aligned under heads.
- ☑ Manual pull station for hood suppression is located in the path of egress.
- ☑ Cooking equipment is secured in place with an approved method.
- ☑ All fat fryers shall have a lid to prevent spillage of cooking oil during transport.

## APPLIANCES & ELECTRICAL

- ☑ Appliances installed to run while the vehicle moves shall have a device installed to stop the flow of gas in the event of a line break.
- ☑ Appliances shall be located so that a fire at any appliance shall not block egress of persons from the vehicle.
- ☑ Electrical and Mechanical rooms shall be free of combustible storage.
- ☑ Multi-plug adapters shall be listed and used in accordance with their listing (ensure surge power strip type).
- ☑ Extension cords are not used as permanent wiring.
- ☑ All slots in the electrical panel have breakers or blanks in place.
- ☑ Junction boxes and electrical outlets have covers.
- ☑ Generators: Exhaust is directed a minimum of 5ft away from openings, building egress, vehicles, buildings, etc.