



COOKING TENTS REQUIREMENTS KELLER FIRE-RESCUE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

These guidelines shall be followed when a business or individual wishes to conduct cooking activities underneath a tent.

All Tent Structures, for the purposes of this guideline and any other guidelines, or requirements of the Fire Department shall conform to the 2021 International Fire Code Chapter 31. This guide does not replace, nor supersede any codes and/or ordinances adopted by the City of Keller, or determinations and positions of the Fire Chief or Fire Marshal.

Tent Structure Requirements

1. **A minimum of 20 ft. clear width shall be provided around the tent, and shall be no closer than 20 ft. to lot lines, buildings, other temporary structures, vehicles.**
2. The structure shall not be located within a fire lane or public street unless part of a planned event with street closure.
3. For cooking underneath a tent, the tent shall have a fire rating tag affixed to the tent by the manufacturer indicating compliance with NFPA 701.
4. The tent/canopy is NOT open to the public; only vendors are allowed under the tent/canopy.
5. Public may approach the opposite side of the tent or canopy from where the cooking equipment is to purchase items.
6. Only commercial listed cooking appliances are allowed to be used.
7. Combustibles must be a minimum of 3 feet away from the cooking appliance.
8. Any cooking operation that involves grease-laden vapors must have a Class K fire extinguisher in addition to a 2A:10BC fire extinguisher within 30 feet.
9. Fire extinguishers are required to be inspected and tagged by a State of Texas licensed fire extinguisher company.
10. LP-gas containers shall be positioned with safety release valves pointed away from the tent/canopy.

Submittal Requirements

1. Submit Fire Department Permit Application
2. Schedule an Inspection

Inspection Requirements

1. Fire extinguishers shall be tagged by a Texas State licensed fire extinguisher company.
2. Fire resistance label legible and affixed to the tent by the manufacturer.
3. Tarrant County Health Permit is Required.
4. The inspection and permit are required prior to the scheduled event; no on-site, day-of-event permits will be issued.
5. All equipment shall be brought to Keller Town Hall, 1100 Bear Creek Parkway, Keller, TX 76248, for the inspection. Please ensure the NFPA 701 label is sewn into the tent and that your fire extinguishers have current inspections tags affixed.

A permit will be issued by the Fire Department and will be valid for one year upon passing of the Inspection.

Contact Fire Prevention at 817-743-4470 to schedule an Inspection.