

FIRE REGULATIONS

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be zero tolerance in the enforcement of these fire regulations!

If in doubt as to the interpretation of any rules, please contact:

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The regulations governing exhibits and displays in place of public and private assembly are as follows:

The following materials shall be flameproof if used for display or decorative purposes:

artificial flowers and foliage
plastic materials
split wood and bamboo fibers
paper - cardboard or compressed paperboard less than 1/8" thick are considered to be paper.
ruscus
textile
Styrofoam
Wallpaper is permissible if pasted securely to walls or wallboard backing.

Note: foam plastic cored art board shall be coated on all sides with a fire retardant paint or varnish. Edges are to be encased in metal "U" channel or metal "muffler" tape. Tape must extend at least 3/4" on the face and reverse of the board.

The use of the following materials is prohibited:

Acetate fabrics, corrugated paper boxboard, no-seam paper and helium balloons. Paper-backed foil, unless glued securely to suitable backing.

It is not necessary to flameproof textiles, paper and other combustible merchandise on display for sale, but the quantity used shall be limited to the display of one salvageable length. Each sample must differ in color, weave or texture.

FLAME PRODUCING DEVICES

The use of an open flame is limited to certain articles where the operation of an approved appliance or device definitely helps to promote the sale of such equipment, exhibits utilizing flame producing devices must be attended at all times.

Equipment must be set up in a manner to comply with approved safety standards; a suitable fire extinguisher shall be rented to you on recommendation of the Inspector.

Flame shall not be used solely to attract attention. When candles are offered for sale, not more than four candles may be lit at any one time, and they must be shielded by hurricane type chimneys. If glass contained candles are lit, the flame must not extend above the rim of the container.

FLAMMABLE GAS

Flammable liquids or gases shall not be stored inside the building. 1 x 5lb. propane cylinder, only as approved under the Propane Storage, Handling and Utilization Code, may be used for demonstration purposes. When a cylinder is used with a self-contained propane hand torch or similar equipment, it shall have a maximum WC of 2-1/2 lbs.

Equipment must be set up as remote as possible from public aisles, and installed in a manner to comply with approved safety standards.

1 x 40 cu.ft. cylinder of acetylene will be permitted for use in arts and crafts type displays and for demonstration purposes.

Aerosols: It is permissible to exhibit one pressurized container, not exceeding one-pint capacity of each product classified as a flammable liquid. Nonflammable products are not restricted.

VEHICLES

Motor vehicles or gasoline-powered equipment on display must be equipped with lock-on type gasoline tank caps, and batteries are to be disconnected. Gasoline tanks must not be filled beyond the 3/4 mark in order to allow for expansion of product. Vehicles unable to be equipped with lock-on type caps must have caps sealed in a manner acceptable to the Fire Department.

Running of displayed vehicle during the show is prohibited, unless approved by the Fire Department.

Propane charged cylinders are not permitted on self-propelled vehicles or trailers on display inside the show buildings.

If at any time an inspector deems the above equipment is being operated in a manner dangerous to public safety, he shall cancel the privilege of the exhibitor concerned.

DISPLAY LAYOUT

Displays must not encroach on exit doorways.

No portion of a display shall project into any aisle as designated for the show concerned.

Exit doors must be concealed or obscured by drapes or temporary partitions, etc.

The aisle clearance at the bottom and top of a stairway shall be equal to the width of the stairway. Access to exits shall be maintained clear.

In areas where seating is provided for 200 or more persons, such seats shall be fastened together in units not less than 4' or more than 12', or each end seat abutting an aisle shall be securely fastened to the floor. If the area is enclosed and darkened at any time, approved illuminated EXIT signs are required.

If fire protection equipment is located in the exhibit space, it shall be the responsibility of Show Management or the Exhibitor, as the case may be, to provide direct and unobstructed access to such equipment. In every eating establishment wherein cooking is conducted, there shall be provided and maintained therein, one dry chemical fire extinguisher bearing the Underwriters' Laboratories of Canada Designation 40-BC.

In every eating establishment and exhibit or display in which commercial cooking equipment producing grease-laden vapors are used, the cooking equipment shall be installed and exhaust ventilated in conformance with the requirements of the Ontario Building Code. An approved fire extinguisher must be installed in exhibit areas where flame-producing devices are used, or when required by an inspector.

Hay, straw, shredded paper and excelsior packing must be removed from the building unless it can be returned to tightly closed packing containers and piled in a storage area designated by Show Management. Boxes, crates, and cartons from which merchandise has been removed must be neatly piled in a storage area designated by Show Management.

Construction or ceiling decorations of the show booths must not impede the operation of the sprinkler system. Not more than 50% of a ceiling may be covered. No width shall exceed 48" without an opening of equal size.

TO TEST MATERIALS

Hold material to be tested in a vertical position, apply flame to the lower edge of a minimum of 12 seconds. To pass a satisfactory resistance to flame spread, a material should not continue to flame for more than 2 seconds after the test flame is removed.