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Tent Requirements

Pursuant to Chapter 25 NFPA 1 of the Florida Fire Prevention Code

This document will help in meeting the minimum Life Safety requirements for setting up a tent over **900 square feet** on public property for the purpose of providing a temporary means of providing service to the public. Listed below are code sections referencing some of the more commonly asked issues.

Tents shall be permitted only on a temporary basis. **[25.2.1.1]**

Tents shall be erected to cover not more than 75 percent of the premises. **[25.2.1.2]**

All tent fabric shall meet the flame propagation performance criteria contained in Test Method 2 of NFPA 701. A certificate or other evidence of acceptance from an approved organization indicating the tent fabric materials have the required flame retardant material. **[25.2.2.1 & 25.2.2.2]**

There shall be a minimum of 10 feet between stake lines. **[25.2.3.1]**

Tents stakes adjacent to any means of egress from any tent open to the public shall be protected, capped or covered as to not present a hazard. **[25.1.3.3]**

Finished ground under and around tent within 10 feet shall be cleared of all flammable or combustible material or vegetation. **[25.2.4.1]**

Smoking shall not be permitted in any tent. **[25.2.4.2.1]**

A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher with a rating of not less than 2-A:10-B:C shall be provided. Current service tag from a fire protection equipment contractor required. **[25.1.12.3]**

Sincerely,

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Form FS02

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FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION PERMIT APPLICATION

6th Edition Florida Fire Prevention Code in effect

New Business

Existing Business

Annual Fire Inspection

Change of Occupancy *

Owner Name: Phone:
Business Name: Phone:
Address:

Current Occupancy Class:
Occupancy Class Changing To:
Sq. Footage: Stories in Height:
Describe Use of Space:
Does the building have a Fire Alarm System?
Does the building have an Automatic Fire Sprinkler System?
Does the building have a Hood Suppression System?

Note: All Life Safety equipment and devices installed must have current inspection tags by a licensed Fire Alarm/ Fire Suppression/ Fire Extinguisher contractor. Exit signs and Emergency lights must have working back up battery when testing. Fire Extinguishers should be mounted on hanging bracket and not sitting on floor or shelf and be clearly visible and easily accessible to building occupants.

Fire Safety Inspection Fees for Commercial Buildings and Structures and Change of Occupancy:

Table with 2 columns: Description of fee category and Amount. Includes rows for sq. ft. ranges and specific system fees.

*Change of Occupancy may require additional Life Safety features to meet current code requirements outlined in the Florida Fire Prevention Code and the Florida Building Code.

I understand all REQUIRED INSPECTIONS will be requested of the work permitted herein. Compliance will be strictly enforced. This permit is VOID after six (6) months from issuance unless the work it covers has been commenced and has had ongoing inspections.

Apply for this Permit at:

Bay County Builders Services
840 W. 11th Street
Panama City, FL 32401
850-248-8350 FAX 850-248-8384

Signature of Business/Property Owner

Date