

PEACHTREE CITY FIRE-RESCUE

Canopy Cooking Operations



- Cooking set ups that take place under canopies or tents in Peachtree City will be required to comply with all applicable codes and standards in order to operate in Peachtree City
- Any vendor not complying with the applicable codes and standards will be shut down by the Fire Marshal's Office
- The current standard in use is the 2018 edition of the International Fire Code (IFC)
- Some specific code reference items include
 - **2018 IFC 3106.5** Outdoor assembly events with concession stands or booths using cooking appliances or devices shall comply with Sections 3106.5.1 through 3106.5.3
 - **2018 IFC 3106.5.1 Separation from tents or structures.** Cooking appliances or devices that produce sparks or grease-laden vapors or flying embers (firebrands) shall not be used within 20ft of a tent or structure. *(PCFR will require 20 feet separation between canopies used for cooking and other canopies or tents)*
 - **Exceptions:**
 - 1. Designated cooking tents not occupied by the public when approved by the fire code official. *(PCFR will allow cooking under canopies as long as all other aspects of this code are met and it is a separate canopy with 20 feet of separation from other canopies)*
 - **2018 IFC 3106.5.2 Protection.** Cooking equipment using combustible oils or solids shall meet the following.
 - 1. A noncombustible lid shall be immediately available. The lid shall be of sufficient size to cover the cooking well completely.
 - 2. The equipment shall be placed on a noncombustible surface. (Fryers or other tabletop cooking devices shall not be placed on plastic or wooden surfaces. There must be a noncombustible surface (metal) between the table and plastic or wood.)
 - 3. An approved portable fire extinguisher for protection from cooking grease fires shall be provided at a location approved by the fire code official.
 - **All cooking vendors will have an up to date and tagged ABC fire extinguisher that has been inspected by a licensed technician.**
 - **If grease is used to cook or is produced while cooking, an up to date and tagged Class K extinguisher will also be required.**

For further explanation of these requirements, please contact the Peachtree City Fire Marshal's Office

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