



BELLEVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Belleville Fire Department Regulations for the Downtown Events

- **Fire Extinguishers** - Each vendor conducting cooking operations is required to have one (1) fire extinguisher within their booth, having a minimum size of **3A40BC**. Extinguishers shall be either purchased new (receipt) or tagged within the year by an Illinois-licensed fire extinguisher contractor. Additionally, vendors using deep fryers shall have one (1) “**K-Class**” fire extinguisher for every two (2) deep fryer vats.
- **Electrical** – Generators are NOT allowed at downtown events. Electric is provided by the City. Extension cords shall extend no more than 50-foot in length and shall meet the total demand of the appliances connected (i.e., 14-gauge = 15 amps, 12 gauge = 20 amps, and 10 gauge = 30 amps maximum). Vendors shall not overload the cord rating and may need a separate extension cord for each circuit. Inspectors finding questionable practices may require up-sizing of cords or elimination of devices.
- **Portable LPG Tanks** - All tanks must be located outside the perimeter of the tent and secured based on their size. Tanks 20-lb. or less are stable if placed in a milk crate. Larger tanks shall be secured with a light-weight chain or strap to a secure wall or post. All hose connections shall be checked for tightness to reduce/eliminate leaks.
- **Tents** - Small tents (<700 sq/ft) must be secured at the legs and appropriately weighted. Larger tents (eating, dancing, congregating, music, etc.) must be inspected by both Building and Fire Department prior to use/occupancy.

Helpful Hints:

- If rain is forecast, keep all extension cords out of the gutters and standing water.
- Watch for trip hazards around your stand.
- All vendors MUST allow a 48-inch width clear sidewalk for ADA compliance.