



**South Metro Fire Rescue Authority
and the Parker Chamber of Commerce**

Food Vendor Requirements



FOOD VENDORS must ensure that they meet all requirements of the municipal code pertaining to grease laden vapors, appropriate fire extinguishers (and placement), location of cook equipment, use of extension cords, use of propane, propane tank size, propane location, and correct use of propane bottles. As indicated in the application we will assign you two times for permit review once you are on site and set-up for the Parker Days Festival.

The first review will be provided by the South Metro Fire Rescue Authority and the second will be provided by Tri-County Health. During these inspections both organizations will assure that you are meeting the code for the Town of Parker and for Arapahoe County. Any code violations will be cited and you will be required to remedy this prior to opening for service to the public. Regardless of your past experiences as a food vendor at the Parker Days Festival, we intent to monitor and support vendors to provide the level of safety required by the Code for the safety of our guests, for you as a vendor and for our show. These steps assure the safety of all people involved.

The requirements are as follows:

1. **Cooking** – Electrical Heating and Cooking equipment must be in accordance with Chapter 24 [09 IFC 2402.15.7] and will require a permit. In your application you must supply us with the type of cooking to be conducted (i.e. hot dogs, popcorn, crock pots vs. grilling, broiling, etc.). In situation where the cooking shall be classified as a “COOK TENT”, a separation of 20 feet is required from structures and other Temporary Membrane Structures. Any cooking that creates grease-laden vapors shall not be performed within 20 feet of a structure or Temporary Membrane Structure; requiring that such cooking be conducted “outdoors” and is in accordance with Chapter 24 [09 IFC 21404.15.6]. This being said, no cooking from a grill structure will be allowed under a tent or canopy of any kind. You must cook in the open air or under an approved metal structure.
2. **Propane Tanks** – Propane tanks shall be permitted with the Template Permits and must be in accordance with Chapter 24 [09 IFC 2404.16.1]. Tanks must not be larger than 30 pounds and meeting the required separations depending on size of the LP-gas container. Propane tanks less than 30 pounds are allowed by individual vendors provided that such containers are secured firmly and that the number of tanks to be used in the event is provided to the South Metro Fire Department in your application. Propane tanks must not be stored together and all valves of tanks must point away from the public.
3. **GENERATORS** – No individual generators will be allowed on-site as is required by the Fire Marshall. All requests for power must come through the “Electrical Order Form” available when vendors fill out the application on-line or on the FORMS page of the www.ParkerDaysFestival.com website.
4. **Electrical** – The use of electrical extension cords shall be plugged directly into an approved receptacle, power tap and, except for approved multi-plug extension cords, shall serve only one portable appliance. EXTENSIONS CORDS SHALL NOT BE CHAINED TOGETHER. Extension cord use shall be in accordance with Chapter 6 [09 IFC 605.5], which requires the use of Heavy Duty extension cords only.
5. **Portable Fire Extinguishers** – Minimum rated 2A – 10 BC portable fire extinguishers are required in all areas where Temporary Membrane Structures are erected or where the use of heating and cooking appliances is used. In no case shall the placement of such fire extinguishers exceed a 75 foot travel distance. Fire extinguishers shall be mounted from between 3 and 4 feet above the finished floor (AFF) and shall be tagged and certified as current. The use of portable fire extinguishers shall be in accordance with Chapter 9 [09 IFC Section 906]

The code mentioned in this worksheet can be found at <http://www.southmetro.org>. More information will be provided closer to the festival.