



## Wausau Fire Department

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### Temporary Cooking Equipment

These requirements apply to cooking equipment used in fixed, mobile, or temporary concessions, such as trucks, buses, trailers, pavilions, or any form of roofed enclosure

The operation, inspection, and maintenance of all public and private commercial cooking and residential cooking equipment used for commercial cooking operations shall comply with the following:

- Cooking equipment that produces grease-laden vapors shall be protected by fire-extinguishing equipment.
- Fire-extinguishing equipment shall include both automatic fire-extinguishing systems as primary protection and portable fire extinguishers, minimum 2-A-10:BC and Class K, as secondary backup.
- Automatic fire extinguishing system shall be in substantial compliance with UL300 for protection of the cooking appliance.
- A hood, duct and vent system, as required by code, shall be installed.
- The fire suppression system shall include automatic fuel and electric shutoffs, and both automatic and manual means of system activation. The manual means of activation shall be located as close to the exit door as practical.
- Maintenance on the fire suppression system must be accomplished by properly trained, qualified and certified person(s) at least every 6 months.

Exemption: ss. 101.14(1) (am) "Notwithstanding par. (a), the department may not require the owner or operator of a mobile kitchen to install or maintain an automatic fire suppression system or an exhaust hood in, or as part of, the mobile kitchen if all of the following apply:

- The mobile kitchen is less than 365 square feet in size.
- The mobile kitchen is used on fewer than 12 days a year for the purpose of cooking."
- Cooking in fixed, mobile, or temporary concessions not protected with an automatic fire suppression system and an exhaust hood shall have a minimum of 10 feet of clearance from other buildings or structures.



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### **Tents, Canopies, and Membrane Structure Requirements**

- According to Wausau Municipal Code 17.49.010, permits are required for tents greater than 240 square feet.
- Tents are allowed only on a temporary basis.
  - Contact Diggers Hotline Inc. three business days prior to setup. (1-800-242-8511)
- Flame Resistance
  - All tent fabric shall be flame resistant.
  - Certificate of flame retardant must be permanently attached to all tent roof and side panels or a copy of the certificate provided by the manufacturer is acceptable – but must be available at our request.
- Portable fire extinguishers of approved types shall be installed.
  - Minimum of one 2A-10BC in all tents, (travel distance shall not exceed 75 feet)
  - All fire extinguishing equipment shall be inspected and serviced annually by a certified technician. The tag indicating the service date or a receipt of purchase shall be attached to the fire extinguisher or hood suppression system.
  - Extinguishers shall be hung in a visible location no higher than 44 inches above grade.
- Site plan shall be provided to the Fire Department when anticipated occupant load exceeds 50.
  - Tent location on the lot.
  - Location of other buildings or tent on the property.
  - Seating capacity.
  - Seating arrangement.
  - Egress paths including a minimum aisle width of 4 feet.
  - Exit locations.
  - Type of heating, location of heater(s); Location of heating fuel tank and type.
  - Location of electrical equipment and location of generator.
  - Location of fire apparatus access road.
  - Restricted parking areas should be clearly indicated.
- Exits
  - There shall be a minimum of 10 feet between stake lines for all tents exceeding 1,200 square feet.
  - Emergency access roads must have an unobstructed width of 20 feet. There shall be no dead ends greater than 150 feet.
- Flammable and combustible liquids are prohibited inside or near the tent. Hay, straw, and other flammable materials are prohibited within 10 feet of any tent.
- No open flame devices are allowed inside the tent except as provided below.
  - Restaurant style table candles and food warming candles are allowed with the approval of the Fire Chief.
- Tents shall be adequately guyed, supported, braced and tent stakes shall be properly capped
- In lieu of producing an automatic fire suppression system, tents in which cooking is performed must be separated from other public tents and structures.
  - All electrical heating and cooking equipment must comply with NFPA 70, National Electrical Code.
  - The use and installation of LP Gas equipment, such as tanks, piping, hoses, fittings, valves, tubing, and other related components shall be in accordance with NFPA 58, Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code.

**VENT HOOD CLEANING\***

*Hood system cleaning and service required by the Wisconsin Fire Code.*

*Inspect frequently and clean as needed. See chart below.*

**TABLE 50.5.3** *Schedule of Inspection for Grease Buildup*

<b>Type or Volume of Cooking Frequency</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Systems serving solid fuel cooking operations	Monthly
Systems serving high volume cooking operations such as 24 hour cooking	Quarterly
Systems serving moderate volume cooking operations	Semiannually
Systems serving low volume cooking operations such as churches, day camps, seasonal businesses or senior centers	Annually

(\* Indicates Companies who clean Asian Restaurant exhaust hoods)

<b>COMPANY</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>PHONE</b>
*Central Steam Cleaning Services P.O. Box 225, Rhinelander, WI 54501	John Houghton	715-362-1700
*Fire & Safety Equipment Box 53, Wautoma, WI 54982	Mark Haumschild	800-236-3809 920-787-3809
*Precision Cleaning Specialist N15284 Copenhaver Av., Stanley, WI 54768	Tim Timlin	715-644-1021 800-387-2681
Pro-Wash Mobile Power Washing 1058 Martin Island Dr. Stevens Point, WI 54481	Tom Jakusz	715-341-7852
Steel Tech Fire & Security 2314 Fillmore St. Marshfield, WI 54449	Dan Statz	715-384-3394
*Quality Cleaning Systems N4741 Mavis Rd. Wittenburg, WI 54449	Lee Zimmerman	715-253-3086
Reliable Hood Service W7493 Addison Trail, Crivitz, WI 54114	Jeff Scholtz	715-854-3576
United Fire Protection, LLC unitedfireprotectionllc@hotmail.com	Perry J. Henke	715-216-3893

**VENT HOOD FIRE SUPPRESSION SERVICE\*** *Required every six months*

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Fire & Safety Equipment Box 53, Wautoma, WI 54982	Mark Haumschild	800-236-3809 920-787-3809
Ahern Fire Protection 855 Morris St, Fondulac WI 54935	Mike Nelson Jordan Voight	Cell 715-573-3445 Cell 715-432-8247
Metro Fire Protection P.O. Box 2207, Wausau, WI 54402-2207	Cliff Polkas Jeff Hanson Mike Riehle	715-848-7677 (this is an answering service who pages out technician)
United Fire Protection, LLC unitedfireprotectionllc@hotmail.com	Perry J. Henke	715-216-3893
Fire & Safety Equipment IV Auburndale/Marshfield	Patrick Wolfe	715-652-2624 phone 715-652-3083 fax

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