



Central Pierce Fire & Rescue

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- Portable unvented fuel-fired (propane, butane, kerosene) heating equipment shall be **PROHIBITED** in occupancies in Groups: A, E, I, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4
 - A2=Banquet halls, casinos, night clubs, restaurants, cafeterias, taverns/bars (food and/or drink consumption)



- Portable outdoor gas-fired (propane, butane, kerosene) heating appliances
 - **PROHIBITED** locations include
 - Inside any occupancy where connected to fuel gas container
 - Inside of tents, canopies and membrane structures
 - Exterior balconies
 - Shall be located not less than 5 feet from building
 - Not located beneath, or closer than 5 feet to combustible decorations and combustible overhangs, awnings, sunshades or similar combustible attachments to buildings
 - Shall not be located within 5 feet of exits or exit discharges
 - Only listed and approved heating appliances utilizing a gas container that is integral to the appliance shall be used
 - Installed and Used according to manufacturer's instructions
 - Shall be equipped with a tilt or tip-over switch that automatically shuts off the flow of gas if the appliance is tilted more than 15° from vertical
 - Shall be guarded so as to prevent accidental contact by persons or material
 - Only approved DOT or ASME gas containers shall be used
 - Replacement of gas containers shall not be conducted while the public is present
 - The maximum capacity of gas containers shall not exceed 20#
 - Gas containers over 2.5 pounds shall not be stored indoors



Approved Heating Appliances

- Portable Electrical space heaters:
 - Listed and Labeled portable, electric space heaters
 - Plugged directly into an approved receptacle (no extension cords)
 - Not operated within 3 feet of any combustible material
- Portable fuel-fired/gas-fired heating appliances with ducting



- Operational Permit 105.7.18 Temporary Membrane Structures and tents
 - A permit is required to erect an air-supported temporary membrane structure, -OR- a temporary stage canopy, -OR- a tent having an area of over 400 sq/ft.
 - Exceptions
 - Tents used for recreational camping, -OR- funeral tents
 - Tents and awnings open on all sides, which comply with ALL the following:
 - 1) Individual tents shall have a maximum single or aggregate size of 700 sq/ft
 - 2) A minimum clearance of 12 feet to structures and other tents shall be maintained
 - Shall not be erected for more than 180 days within a 12-month period
 - Shall not be located within 20 feet of lot lines, buildings, other tents or membrane structures, parked vehicles or internal combustion engines (support ropes and guy wires shall be considered as part of the tent)
 - Exceptions:
 - 1) Tent does not exceed 10,000 sq/ft
 - 2) Maintain egress distance and width
 - 3) Fire apparatus access
 - Tents shall be adequately roped, braced, and anchored to withstand elements of weather and prevent against collapsing (they shall not interfere with the means of egress)
 - No exit from a tent shall be more than 100 feet away from any point inside the tent
 - For 10-199 people, you shall have two means of egress (exits) from tent
 - Provide 44 inch aisles for seating areas in tent
 - No smoking under tent
 - Portable fire extinguisher shall be provided in tent area
 - Exit signs are required
- Operational Permit 105.6.28 Storage & Use of LP-gas (any quantity)
 - An permit is required for storage and use of LP-gas