

Clark County Department of Building & Fire Prevention

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TITLE: OPEN FLAME-DEVICES FOR DECORATIVE FOOD PREPARATION

SCOPE: Clark County Department of Building & Fire Prevention requirements for the submittal of open flame devices used for decorative food preparation in public spaces including, but not limited to, assembly and business occupancies.

Other uses such as food warming open flames, fire performers, flame effects, temporary candle and open flame require separate permits.

PURPOSE: To standardize plan/permit requirements required by the Fire Prevention in accordance with Clark County Fire Code. Permits issued for open flame devices expire one year from the date of issue. Permits for the same devices may be renewed annually.

DEFINITIONS:

Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): A unique number assigned to each property by the Clark County Assessor's office.

Open-flame devices for decorative food preparation: Hand held butane torches and butane canisters operated by chefs, pastry chefs, bar tenders and the like used for the creation of decorative designs in food and beverages. These devices are not intended for uses other than those noted in this document.

PERMIT FEES:

Permit fees shall be assessed in accordance with the Permit Fee Schedule as adopted in the Clark County Fire Code. For applications that are expedited, additional fees shall apply.

ANNUAL RENEWABLE PERMIT PROCEDURE:

After issuance of your initial permit(s), your permit(s) will be valid for one year. Approximately 30-60 days prior to the expiration of your permit, a renewal notice will be mailed to you with instructions for the annual permit renewal.

If you do not receive this notice, it is your responsibility to submit the renewal application. Please refer to the website for additional information.

SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

An application must be completed for each submittal. A minimum of three sets of plans shall be submitted with the permit application. Plans shall show compliance in accordance with Section 308 of the Clark County Fire Code, as adopted and amended. All submittals must be legible and readable or the plan shall be issued a correction letter for cause.

Each hand held torch and butane canister requires a separate permit. Hand held torches and butane canister may be permitted for several locations within the same facility.

Provide one torch and butane canister for testing. Note if the device is intended for use in multiple locations.

Required Submittals:

Plans and reports shall address the following:

- Scaled floor plans for each level showing dimensions of egress elements and fire and life safety equipment, (i.e. fire extinguishers, exit signs, emergency lighting and fire alarm features) seating arrangements, furniture, booths, displayed vehicles etc. Each open flamer device submittal requires a separate floor plan.
- 2. Photographs of the torch and the butane canister listed for use with that torch must be provided.
- 3. A detailed written description of all desired use applications and all desired use locations involving the torch must be provided. Example: (Manufacturers name) Hand Held Torch will be used with the listed and recommended (Manufacturers name) Butane Canister. The torch and butane canister will be used for caramelizing of sugars sprinkled on top of pastries and desserts in pastry kitchens only. Pastry kitchens located in (Restaurant and Facility names).

PERMIT REVISIONS AND RESUBMITTALS:

Revisions to approved devices or plans are required to be submitted and approved. Revisions will be assessed additional plan review fees. A copy of the previously approved plan or sample of device shall accompany the revised submittal to facilitate the review. Clearly indicate all changes to the revised plans by clouding the change with a delta number to signify the date of plan change. When several changes have been made, a detailed list of changes is required.

Re-submittals to address a Letter of Correction will require a full submittal. These plans require a copy of the red lined plan from the previous submittal to facilitate the review. Clearly indicate all changes by clouding the change with the delta number to signify the date of plan change.

PLANS CHECK STATUS INSTRUCTIONS:

The status of the review can be checked by logging on to: www.clarkcountynv.gov/building/fire-prevention

INSPECTIONS THAT MAY BE REQUIRED AND SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS:

If approved, an inspection will need to be scheduled. To schedule an inspection, go to: www.clarkcountynv.gov/building/fire-prevention.

A fire inspector will review your site in accordance with the approved device, plans and this guideline, if compliant, will issue the permit.

Each open flame device will be inspected in its location and condition of use.

The Fire Prevention (FP) may witness and accept inspection, testing and maintenance of fire and life safety systems conducted by approved individuals as required by and within the scope and authority of the Clark County Fire Code.

This Guideline does not take the place of the Fire Code and does not take precedence over any Fire Code requirement or position taken by the Fire Chief. When a conflict exists between the requirements of this Guideline and the Fire Code or the opinion of the Fire Chief, the Fire Code or opinion of the Fire Chief prevails.

Technical Assistance, when required by the fire chief, will require a Technical Opinion and Report prepared by a State of Nevada licensed: qualified engineer, specialist, laboratory, or fire safety specialty organization acceptable to the Fire Chief and the owner. The Fire Chief is authorized to require design submittals to bear the Wet Stamp and Signature of a professional engineer.

Acceptance of Alternative Materials and Methods requires a Technical Opinion and Report prepared by a State of Nevada licensed: qualified engineer, specialist, laboratory, or fire safety specialty organization acceptable to the Fire Chief and the owner. The Fire Chief is authorized to require design submittals to bear the Wet Stamp and Signature of a professional engineer.