



Vendors & Exhibitors,

In order to ensure an enjoyable and safe event, the Rockwall Fire Marshal will be enforcing requirements in accordance with the 2015 International Fire Code. Fire inspections will be conducted prior to the event. Please take all necessary actions to comply with the following:

### **ALL TENTS**

- A site plan was approved prior to this event. The site plan will indicate the location of any required fire breaks. The fire breaks shall have a minimum clearance of 12-feet. Do not obstruct designated fire breaks with any displays or in any other manner.
- Tents shall be adequately roped, braced and anchored to withstand the elements of weather and prevent against collapsing.
- All tents shall be of flame-resistant material or shall be treated with a flame retardant in accordance with NFPA 701. *(Note: Most retail purchased tents will meet this requirement. This is more applicable to homemade or custom built tents)*
- No smoking shall be permitted in tents.
- All generators shall be separated from tents and shall be isolated from contact with the public in an approved manner.
- Waste material shall be stored in approved containers until removed from the premises.
- Portable LP-gas containers and other fuel sources being used to fuel equipment inside a tent shall be stored 10-feet from any tent and adequately protected to prevent tampering.
- Open flame or other devices emitting flame, fire or heat or any flammable or combustible liquids, gas, charcoal or other cooking device shall not be permitted inside or located within 20-feet of a tent unless it complies with the below section for cooking tents.

### **COOKING**

- Deep Fryers or similar cooking equipment involving solid fuels or vegetable or animal oils and fats shall be protected by a Class K rated portable extinguisher that is full and provided with a current State of Texas Inspection tag or have to proof of purchase taped to the unit.
- Cooking tents with sidewalls or drops shall be separated from other non-cooking tents by a minimum of 20 feet.
- Cooking that involves grease or produces grease shall not be performed in a trailer, truck, or under any form of roofed enclosure unless provide with approved ventilation and an automatic fire-extinguishing system in accordance with the 2015 International Fire Code.
- The automatic fire-extinguishing systems shall be serviced at least every 6 months. State of Texas required inspection tag shall be present.
- Outdoor cooking that produces sparks or grease vapors shall not be performed within 20-feet of any other non-cooking tent.
- Hot ashes, cinders, smoldering coals or greasy or oily materials shall not be deposited in a combustible receptacle, within 10 feet of other combustible material including combustible walls and partitions or within 2 feet of openings to buildings. The minimum required separation distance to other combustible materials shall be 2 feet where the material is deposited in a covered, noncombustible receptacle placed on a noncombustible floor, ground surface or stand.

Your cooperation with the above regulations is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please call the Fire Marshal Division at 972-771-7774.