

FIRE INSPECTION

2021 NC Watermelon Festival Food Vendors

- All NC Watermelon Festival Vendors will not only be inspected by our fire department, but also by a Hertford County Fire Inspector. Any vendor operating their food stand under a tent, canopy or membrane structure has other restrictions, according to North Carolina law. Below, in describing the regulations, any and all of these structures will hereby be referred to as a "tent".
- Any vendor using a tent (all tents, whether you cook under them or not) shall have a "NO SMOKING" sign erected, visible to the public.
- All tents shall be composed of material meeting the flame propagation performance criteria of NFPA 701, or shall be treated with a flame retardant in an approved manner and meet the flame propagation performance criteria of NFPA 701, and that such flame propagation criteria are effective for the period specified by the permit.
- All propane tanks must be kept 10 feet away from your tent. (Make sure you bring enough line to allow for the 10 foot requirement).
- All generators must be kept 20 feet away from your tent. (Make sure you bring proper cords.)
- All tent vendors are required to have an ABC fire extinguisher.
- All tent vendors that also cook must have an additional fire extinguisher for grease fired (CLASS K fire extinguisher).

If you have any questions concerning any of these regulations, please feel free to contact us and if I don't know the answer, I will direct you to someone who does.

Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation!

Lorrie Barnes, Food Vendor Chairperson