



CODE COMPLIANCE GUIDELINE
OPEN-FLAME COOKING DEVICES
CHARCOAL BURNERS & OUTDOOR BARBEQUE GRILLS

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Restrictions for outdoor cooking devices on property of Multi-family units

-Charcoal burners, LP tanks and other open-flame cooking devices with portable tanks **shall not be operated or stored** on combustible balconies, decks or within 10 feet of combustible construction.

Exceptions:

-Where the buildings-A small portable camping stove may be permitted with management's approval. (LP-gas cooking devices having an LP-gas container with a water capacity not greater than 2 1/2 pound nominal 1 pound LP-gas capacity)

, balconies, and decks are protected by an Automatic sprinkler system cooking devices may be used with the management's authorization.

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-Charcoal burners may be permitted **if approved by the fire code official and management** as long as all of the following guidelines are met:

1. They are attended by a responsible adult at all times.
2. A portable fire extinguisher, which has been properly maintained and approved by the fire code official, must be on the cooking site or within 10 feet of the combustible construction
3. All combustible nonstructural material must be removed from the balcony or the cooking site located within 10 feet of the combustible construction.
4. Ashes must be completely dampened and disposed of in a lawful manner. They shall not be disposed of in a combustible container or within 10 ft. of other combustibles. **Never dispose of leftover ashes in plastic, paper or cardboard.**