

FIRE MARSHALL REQUIREMENTS FOR EL DORADO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

The following provisions **SHALL BE** applicable to all shows and exhibits:

- All decorative materials, including, drapes, signs, banners, overhanging table cloths/coverings, hay, straw, moss, plastic cloth, canvas, cloth, cardboard, leaves and similar combustible materials, **SHALL BE** made from non-flammable material or treated and maintained in a flame-retardant condition by means of a flame-retardant solution or process approved by the Fire Marshall.
- Materials that cannot be made flame-retardant are **PROHIBITED**.
- Literature on display shall be limited to “reasonable” quantities. Reserve supplies shall be kept in closed containers.
- Aisles and exits **SHALL BE** maintained clean, clear, and free of obstructions.
- Fire Extinguishers, hose cabinets, fire hose connections, exit signs and other fire appliances **SHALL BE** maintained clearly visible and unobstructed at all times.
- Booths, stands, and other like construction shall be substantial and fixed in position in specified areas (according to approved plans) for the duration of the exhibit/show.
- Electrical extension cords **SHALL BE** approved three wire grounded type capable of carrying the intended capacity of the combined appliances, and shall not be affixed to structures; extend through walls, ceilings, floors, under doors or floor coverings; or be subject to environmental or physical damage.
- **SMOKING IS PROHIBITED** in all buildings, public display areas, stages, restrooms, assembly areas and where posted “**NoSmoking**”.
- The show manager **SHALL BE** responsible for adequate rubbish removal.
- Exhibitors shall maintain their respective areas clean of combustible rubbish.
- All tents, awnings, and fabric enclosures shall be labeled flame-resistant or flame-resistant treated as approved by the Fire Marshall.
- Heating and cooking equipment shall not be located within 10 feet of exits, aisles, passageways, or combustible rubbish. Outdoor cooking that produces sparks or grease-laden vapors shall not be within 20’ of tents or canopies.
- All compressed gas cylinders shall be secured in the upright position (chained).

Special notes:

1. The Fire Chief (or his authorized representative) upon finding any overcrowded conditions; or obstruction in aisles, passageways or other means of egress

*(exiting); or upon finding any condition which constitutes a serious threat to life, **SHALL** cause the performance, presentation, or entertainment to be stopped until such conditions or obstruction is corrected.*

*2. Any automobile, truck motorcycle or other motorized vehicle displayed, **SHALL** have its batteries removed (or battery cables disconnected) and its fuel supplies reduced to not more than one quarter tank full. All motor vehicle tanks, which have ever contained fuel, **SHALL BE** furnished with a locking type cap or sealed with tape. Garden tractor’s chain saws, power plants and other gasoline-powered equipment **SHALL BE** safeguarded in a similar manner.*

Exhibit Inspections

Periodic fire and life safety inspections **SHALL BE** conducted by the El Dorado County Fire Protection District and may include:

- Inspections with the “Show Manager” or authorized representative prior to move in/set-up period to insure fire hydrant and emergency vehicle access and egress.
- Familiarization and pre-incident planning.
- On-going site and vendor inspections to insure compliance of fire and life safety requirements of Titles 19 and 24 of the California Code of Regulations, National Fire Protection Association and California edition of the Uniform Fire Code.
- During closing and removal of exhibits to insure emergency access and egress.

Any problems or violations **SHALL BE** corrected immediately. Non-compliance **SHALL BE** grounds for possible citation and/or removal.

The show or exhibit manager may be notified to assist in obtaining compliance. Fire and life safety **SHALL BE** the basis for any alternatives in conformity with applicable laws and ordinances. Direct any questions or comments of the Fire Protection Bureau or the Administrative Office at (530) 644-9630.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in anticipation of a successful, fire safe event.