



ONTARIO FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE PROTECTION STANDARD

GENERAL CARNIVAL/FAIR REQUIREMENTS
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PURPOSE:

To provide a guideline for carnivals/fairs so as to meet and comply with the 2016 California Fire Code and the Ontario Municipal Code.

AUTHORITY:

Places of assembly, including outdoor carnivals and fairs, shall be in accordance with California Fire Code (CFC).

PROCEDURE:

1. A fire department permit for carnivals/fairs must be obtained prior to the event.
2. Fire department access roads must be provided. They must have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13ft 6in.
3. Each ride and the entire midway must be equipped with a minimum of one fire extinguisher with a rating of not less than 2A:10B:C. A K rated dry chemical fire extinguisher must be provided where deep-fat fryers are used.
4. Maximum travel distance to a portable fire extinguisher shall not exceed 75 feet.
5. Each extinguisher must have a service tag or sticker with the State Fire Marshal seal on it. Extinguishers must be serviced annually and the gauge must show there is pressure. (T-19 597.1)
6. Electrical wiring must be in good condition and in accordance with the Electrical Code.
7. Internal combustion power sources shall be isolated from contact with the public by either physical guards, fencing or an enclosure.
8. Generators and vehicles must be a minimum of 20 feet away from any structure, ride, tent or canopy.
9. Refueling shall be conducted only when the ride is NOT in use.

10. Concession stands utilized for cooking shall have a minimum of 10 feet of clearance on two sides and shall not be located within 10 feet of amusement rides or devices.
11. Drapes, hangings, curtains, drops, tents and canopies shall be fire retardant and have a State Fire Marshal certificate.
12. Tents in excess of 400 square feet and canopies in excess of 700 square feet require an additional fire department tents/canopies permit. Please see the guideline regarding tent/canopy requirements.
13. Each ride must have the required State of California inspection sticker. (OSHA: Title 8, Article 35, Section 3917)
14. Proper permit issued by OSHA must be obtained prior to City of Ontario approval for operation. (OSHA: Title 8, Section 3915)