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Application requirements for temporary tent and canopy permits

Tents having an area in excess of 200 sq.' and canopies in excess of 400 sq.' shall not be erected for any purpose without first obtaining a permit from the Code Enforcement Officer.

Exceptions:

- * Tents used for recreational camping.
- * Fabric canopies open on all sides that are not over 700 sq.' and are located a minimum of 12' from all other structures and tents.

Information to be submitted as part of the permit application:

Provide a copy of a property survey indicating the proposed location of the structure.

Provide a detailed floor plan indicating means of egress, seating arrangement, location of electrical equipment and aisle ways.

Indicate how the structure will be secured.

Provide a certificate executed by an approved testing laboratory certifying the canopy is composed of materials meeting the flame retardant requirements of NFPA 701.

Listed below are some general requirements of the Fire Code of NYS. Specific cases may be subject to additional regulation.

FCNYS 2403.5	Tents and canopy structures shall not be erected for a period of more than 180 days during any twelve month period.
FCNYS 2404.6	Smoking is not permitted. Approved "No Smoking" signs shall be conspicuously posted.
FCNYS 2404.7	Open flames and cooking devices are not permitted under or within 20' of tents or canopies used for assembly purposes while open to the public. Warming of foods, cooking demonstrations and similar operations that use solid flammables, butane or other similar devices that do not pose an ignition hazard are permitted.
FCNYS 2404.15.5	Tents used for cooking and outdoor cooking equipment shall be located a minimum of 20' away from other tents and canopies.
FCNYS 2404.8.2	Parked vehicles and internal combustion engines are not to be located within 20' of tents and canopies.
FCNYS 2403.8.2	Tents and canopies shall not be located within 20' of lot lines.
FCNYS 2404.16.2.1	Liquid Petroleum (propane) containers shall be stored a minimum of 10' from any tent and canopy.
FCNYS 2404.11	A 3' clearance shall be maintained between tent walls and all contents.
FCNYS 2404.12	Portable fire extinguishers are to be provided within the tent or canopy area.

