

CITY OF HENDERSON FIRE SAFETY GUIDELINE

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TITLE: **OUTDOOR COOKING & LP-GAS STORAGE**

PURPOSE:

The Henderson Municipal Code § 8.37.070 - Outdoor fires prohibited on private land without permit. No person shall kindle or maintain any outdoor open fire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on any private land without first having obtained a permit from the fire department. Nor shall any fire be kindled or maintained in any outdoor container unless such container has been approved by and a permit issued by the fire department. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit or make unlawful the construction and use of barbecue pits, grills, or outdoor fireplaces for the preparation of food for consumption by individuals on their own private property or with the permission of the owner of the private property.

REFERENCES: 2021 IFC 308.1.4, as amended & 2020 NFPA 58 § 8.3.5

RULES & REGULATIONS:

1. Open-Flame Cooking Devices:

Charcoal burners and other (e.g., LP-Gas, wood) open-flame cooking devices shall not be located above the first story, operated on combustible balconies or within 10 feet of combustible construction (e.g., stucco over wood framing). **EXCEPTION:** One- and two-family dwellings.

2. LP-Gas Storage within Residential Buildings:

Storage of LP-Gas cylinders within a residential building (under the horizontal projection of the roof, floor or balcony above), including the basement or any storage area in a common basement of a multiple-family buildings and attached or detached garages, shall be limited to cylinders each with a maximum water capacity of 2.7 lb (1.2 kg) and shall not exceed 5.4 lb (2.4 kg) aggregate water capacity per each living space unit.

3. LP-Gas Storage on Exterior Balconies of Residential Buildings:

Cylinders having water capacities greater than 2.7 lb (1 kg) [nominal 1 lb (0.5 kg) LP-Gas capacity] shall not be located on decks or balconies of dwellings of two or more living units above the first floor.

NOTES:

1. *Typical consumer LP-Gas barbecue cylinders are 47.7 lb (21.6 kg) water capacity [nominal 20 lb (9.1 kg) LP-Gas capacity]. Typical LP-Gas/Butane camp stove or lantern canisters are 2.7 lb (1 kg) water capacity [nominal 1 lb (0.5 kg) LP-Gas capacity].*
 2. *Adult supervision is required at all times while the open-flame cooking device is generating heat.*
 3. *The apartment or condominium property owner and/or association manager has the responsibility of enforcing this code on the tenants of their residential units.*
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