



The UNIVERSITY of OKLAHOMA

Health Sciences Center

Construction Oversight and Fire Protection *Office of the Fire Marshal*

General Requirements for Mobile Cooking Units

These requirements are for vendors possessing the correct licensure from the Oklahoma State Department of Health. Non-licensed vendors are not allowed. These requirements for mobile cooking units (MCU) apply to trucks and/or trailers where food is prepared and served. If there are any questions about these requirements, please contact the OUHSC Fire Marshal's Office at 271-5522 X5 or X7.

1.0 Fire Extinguishers

- 1.1 All MCU shall have a properly charged and inspected fire extinguisher with a rating of not less than 2-A:20-B:C.
- 1.2 MCU using open deep fat fryers shall be protected by a properly charged and inspected Class K rated portable fire extinguisher.
- 1.3 Fire extinguishers shall be affixed with a tag that indicates that they have been serviced (inspected) within the past 12 months. New fire extinguishers (those purchased within the past 12 months) may pass inspection by having the receipt showing the date of purchase taped or otherwise attached to the fire extinguisher.

2.0 Fuel

- 2.1 Generator and LPG storage compartments located on the exterior of the MCU must be enclosed. These compartments must have venting to the exterior and must not allow any venting to the interior of the vehicle.
- 2.2 No gasoline/diesel cans or LPG cylinders/tanks will be stored in the MCU at any time.
- 2.3 Use of solid fuels will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the OUHSC Fire Marshal's Office.

3.0 Electrical

- 3.1 The University will not provide utilities to any MCU.
- 3.2 Extension cords and cables shall be of a grounded type and approved for outdoor use. Extension cords shall not be used in pedestrian traffic areas unless they are secured.
- 3.3 Extension cords shall not be frayed or worn.
- 3.4 All electrical power shall be in locations free from potential water intrusion and not located near gutters or storm drains.

4.0 Location

- 4.1 When parked, MCU shall maintain a minimum spacing no closer than 10 feet from the front and rear bumpers of other MCU.
- 4.2 MCU shall not be parked in fire lanes (red curbs), blocking fire hydrants, or other locations as designated by the OUHSC Fire Marshal's Office.