

# Office of the Fire Marshal

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City of Grass Valley Fire Department

125 East Main Street

Grass Valley, CA 95945



## **CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

### ***Grass Valley Downtown Association (GVDA)***

### ***Special Events and Street Closures***

1. ***The Grass Valley Downtown Association and its sanctioned vendors shall be responsible for compliance with the Fire Safety requirements of the Grass Valley Fire Marshal, including, but not limited to, the following:***
  - A. All booths, stages, platforms and outside displays ***shall be*** subject to inspection(s) by the fire department at any time during any event. ***Non-compliance with any of the conditions will result in:***
    - ***First Offense - “Notice of Violation” issued with correction required within the time frame set forth by the inspecting fire official.***
    - ***Second Offense -Operations shut down until such time the violation is cleared. (During the event.)***
    - ***Third Offense – Vendor removed from event.***
  - B. In order to maintain adequate vehicle access, in the event of an emergency when the street is closed, a clear and unobstructed width of *fifteen (15) feet minimum shall be* maintained down the center of Mill Street, West Main Street, East Main Street, South Auburn Street and Bank Street. Relocation of this *fifteen (15) foot area* will be considered with submittal of a written “Request for Modification” by the *GVDA*, to the *Grass Valley Fire Marshal*, for review and approval prior to any changes being made. The request for modification shall include the following:
    - Name of event.
    - Date(s) of event.
    - Map of proposed vendor layout, location of *fifteen (15) foot* clear and unobstructed vehicle right of way and location of *all* fire hydrants.
  - C. No intersection ***shall be*** obstructed in such a manner that fire equipment could not pass through or make a turn onto an adjoining street.

- D. Booths, stages, platforms, or outside displays **shall not be** placed as to obstruct any fire hydrant or other fire protection equipment. **All red curbs** in front of fire hydrants **shall be** left fully open to view. **A minimum clear space of fifteen (15) feet shall be maintained on each side of fire hydrants.**
- E. No booths, stages, platforms or outside displays **shall be** placed in front of any business or occupancy in a manner that may hinder the means of egress from the business/occupancy.
- F. All Canopies, EZ-Ups and Devices used to cover any vendor space shall have SFM Certification for Fire Resistiveness and conform to the requirements of the 2016 Edition of the California Fire Code Section 3104, Sub-sections 3104.1, 3104.3 & 3104.4. (Attached)**
- G. **The use of open flame producing candles are prohibited in all booths at all times.**
- H. **Provide a minimum of one (1) fire extinguisher with a minimum size and rating of five (5) lb. 2-A:10-B:C** for each vendor location where cooking or use of open flame occurs, including but not limited to, propane/gas lanterns, torches, generators, portable space heaters etc.
- I. **There shall be no borrowing of fire extinguishers from any business.**
- J. **Provide a minimum of one (1) Class K fire extinguisher with a minimum capacity of 1.5 gallons** for all cooking operations that produce grease laden vapors, including but not limited to, deep fryers, griddles, etc.
- K. **Provide a minimum of one (1) Class K fire extinguisher with a minimum capacity of 2.5 gallons and rating of 2-A and one (1) fire extinguisher with a minimum size of and rating of five (5) lb. 2-A:10-B:C** for each approved warming device.
- L. All fire extinguishers **shall be serviced annually** and have a current service tag issued by a licensed fire extinguisher company within the past one-year period.
- M. All food truck commercial kitchen fire suppression systems **shall be serviced semi-annually** and have a current service tag issued by a licensed fire suppression service company within the past six-month period.

**N. Portable Liquid Propane Gas (LPG) Tanks:**

- **Maximum allowable size shall be forty (40) pound / ten (10) gallon capacity.**
- **Shall be** secured in the upright position in an approved manner (safety valves located to the top)
- **Shall be** located so as not to be a tripping hazard for the public and/or workers.

O. The following, along with adequate separation as required by the fire department, **shall be** to operate heat producing devices. Separation **shall be** maintained at all times between all *flammable/combustible materials* and heat producing devices/sources including but limited to the following:

a) **Lanterns used for lighting:**

- Gas (propane) and/or Kerosene
- **Shall provide a minimum of one (1) fire extinguisher with a minimum size and rating of five (5) lb. 2-A:10-B:C**
- **Shall have no less than a twelve (12) inch clearance** between the heat source and *any flammable/combustible material(s)*.

b) **Portable Space Heaters:**

- **Shall have a minimum thirty-six (36) inch clearance** between the heat source and *any flammable/combustible material(s)*.
- **Shall provide a minimum of one (1) fire extinguisher with a minimum size and rating of five (5) lb. 2-A:10-B:C**
- **Shall be** arranged to eliminate burn and/or tripping hazard to the public and/or workers.

c) **Deep Fryers:**

- **No more than two (2) deep fryers**, having a medium capacity of **eighty (80) pounds each**, are allowed per booth.
- **Shall be** placed to keep the surface of the cooking medium level. **No more than three (3) inches** of shim or block material may be used to achieve leveling.
- **Shall be** prevented from rolling if equipped with casters.
- **Shall provide a minimum of one (1) Class K fire extinguisher with a minimum capacity of 1.5 gallons.**
- **Shall provide a minimum of one (1) fire extinguisher with a minimum size and rating of five (5) lb. 2-A:10-B:C**

d) **Portable Generators:**

- **Storage of flammable liquid containers (gas cans)** in the booths or anywhere within the Special Events Area **is not permitted.**
- **Refueling is not permitted** within the Special Events Area.
- All fueling **shall be done prior to arrival** in the Special Events Area.
- **Shall have no less than a twelve (12) inch clearance** between the heat source and *any flammable/combustible material(s)*.
- **Shall provide a minimum of one (1) fire extinguisher with a minimum size and rating of five (5) lb. 2-A:10-B:C**

P. **Open Burning shall be** in approved warming devices *only* and are subject to the following special conditions and/or requirements of *Chapter 8.16 of the Grass Valley Municipal Code (GVMC) and the Grass Valley Fire Department (GVFD)*.

- **Shall be** in approved warming devices as defined in GVMC 8.16.210
  - a) *Approved warming device: a portable or fixed, outdoor, solid-fuel-burning fireplace that may be constructed of steel, concrete, clay or other noncombustible material. It may be open in design, or may be equipped with a small hearth opening and a short chimney or chimney opening in the top. All devices shall be equipped with spark-arresting screens.*
- *Is by special permit issued by the Fire Department only. Permit shall be obtained prior to use/operation.*
- *During use/operation an area within ten (10) feet of the device shall be free and clear of flammable vegetation and flammable/combustible materials.*
- **Shall have** a responsible person, eighteen (18) years of age or older in attendance at **all times** until fire is dead out.
- **Shall only be** started by the designated attendant and **only** once all required fire protection devices are in place.
- **Shall Provide** a minimum of one (1) fire extinguisher with a minimum size and rating of five (5) lb. 2-A:10-B:C for each location.
- **Shall provide** one (1) pressurized water can portable fire extinguisher with a minimum size of 2.5 gallons and rating of 2-A for each location.

***Any and all types of fire shall be reported to the Fire Department via 911***

It is the responsibility of the GVDA to issue the “*Conditions of Approval Vendor*” to each vendor.

***I the undersigned have read all conditions, of this letter of approval, and understand non-compliance with any of the preceding conditions can result in termination of operations until such time compliance has been achieved.***

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Sign

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Date

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