



City of Anaheim
Fire Department
Fire Prevention Bureau



Specifications and Requirements

Subject: CARNIVALS, FAIRS AND OUTDOOR ASSEMBLIES

References: California Fire Code, 2001 Edition, Section 2504

All carnivals, fairs and outdoor assemblies require a business license from the City of Anaheim and a permit from the Anaheim Fire Department. In an effort to assist you in planning your event, please provide the following information listed below with your permit application.

Plot Plan

A plot plan shall be submitted with the application for a Fire Department permit showing all fire lanes, aisles, positions of booths, games, carnival rides, buildings, parking areas, cooking areas, generators, exits, exit ways, fire extinguishers and seating arrangements. All required distances shall be indicated on this plot plan.

- Interior fire lanes shall be 20' wide
- Exterior perimeter access shall be 20' wide
- Distance between interior booths shall be 15' wide
- Aisles, cross aisles and exiting for seating arrangements as per code

Decorative Materials

All drapes, hangings, curtains, drops, tents, canopies and all other decorative material shall be of approved flame-retardant material. Proof of flame-retardant process shall be provided.

Fire Extinguishers

A five-pound (5 lb.) ABC type fire extinguisher shall be placed throughout the area at a maximum travel distance not to exceed 75 feet. All cooking booths shall have a five-pound (5 lb.) ABC type fire extinguisher.

Open Flame

No open flame shall be used under any canopy.

Standby Personnel

Standby personnel may be required if the Fire Prevention Bureau considers it necessary for some events.

Identification of Exits and Fire Lanes

Approved signs and barriers shall be used to identify all exits, exit ways and fire lanes as required.

Electrical Wiring and Appliances

All electrical wiring and appliances shall comply with the National Electrical Code.

Permits shall be taken out for all electrical work, permanent, or temporary, with the Anaheim Building Division prior to any electrical work being done.

Other Requirements

- Applicants must notify all other persons using the facilities (carnival operators, food concessions, outside vendors, exhibitors, etc.) of these specifications and requirements so that they comply with all rules, codes and regulations as set forth.
- **A Special Event permit may be required from the Planning Department prior to Fire Department approval.**
- A tent or canopy permit shall be required from the Fire Department when tents exceed 200 square feet and canopies exceed 400 square feet.

For further information regarding these requirements contact: Trade Show Inspector at (714) 765-4073 or the Fire Prevention Bureau at (714) 765-4040 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or send email to tradeshowinspector@anaheim.net.