City of Newark, Delaware  
Food Vendor Check List

The City of Newark Code Enforcement Division requires that all food vendors review and comply with the requirements listed below:

- All food vendors are responsible for obtaining the necessary permits from the Delaware Division of Public Health.

- Every food vendor who cooks with a generator, electrical hook-up or propane, shall have a 5lb. Multipurpose ABC Extinguisher readily available. Any use of a fryer will require a Type “K” Extinguisher in addition to the ABC Extinguisher. The fire extinguishers must be inspected and tagged within the past year by a Fire Equipment Company registered in the State of Delaware.

- If a portable generator is used, no more than 10 gallons of fuel in an Underwriters Laboratory (UL) approved safety container, shall be stored at the vendor’s space.

- Portable generators must be serviced annually by a licensed company. A receipt/invoice will be provided as proof.

- Propane cylinders shall be stored in an upright and secured position.

- Exit door(s) and aisles in the tents shall be always unobstructed to the vendors.

- No open flames such as candles, lanterns, kerosene, or gas fired heaters and cooking equipment are permitted near or under combustible materials (i.e., canopies)

- Hot surfaces from cooking or heating appliances, such as grills, hot plates, and coffee makers, shall be blocked so that the public is protected from physical contact to these appliances.

- Deep fryers shall have splash covers.

- No frayed wires or overloaded extension cords are permitted.

- Decorations on the vendor’s carts shall be flame resistant.

- Access to fire hydrants shall remain unobstructed during the event.

- The Fire Marshal’s Office will conduct an on-site inspection of the vendor’s space.

If you have any questions concerning these Life Safety requirements, contact the Fire Protection Specialist (302) 366-7000 Ext. 2061.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS MAY RESULT IN THE CLOSING OF YOUR BUSINESS