

Fire Marshal's Office

Department of Campus Safety

Tailgating Policy

- All fires must be contained within grills or other containers listed and approved specifically for cooking or heating. Uncontained bonfires or campfires are prohibited.
- All fires must be constantly attended.
- Grills, smokers or other open flame and heat producing devices are not allowed inside buildings or parking garages.
- Grills, smokers or other open flame and heat producing devices shall be located a minimum of 25 feet away from combustible structures or 10 feet away from noncombustible structures and shall not obstruct the ingress or egress from any building.
- Extinguish charcoal fires thoroughly with water before leaving them unattended.
 Please extinguish charcoal in designated containers or remove it from campus for disposal. Do not dump charcoal on the ground, in trashcans or in dumpsters.
- The maximum size propane gas cylinder permitted is 20 lbs. (5-gallon water capacity). A maximum of one spare cylinder is allowed at any cooking location and shall be located a minimum of 10 feet from the cooking or heating operation.

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- While in use and in storage, propane gas cylinders shall be secured in the upright position or positioned so that the pressure relief valve is in direct communication with the vapor space of the cylinder.
- If tents are being used, the tent shall be UL approved and have a Fire Resistive Rating Label. Tents/canopies used for grilling shall be completely open on all sides. Cooking and heating shall not be conducted in enclosed tents.
- A means to properly extinguish or turn off cooking or heating devices shall be provided (i.e. fire extinguisher, gas control valve, etc.).