



PASADENA FIRE DEPARTMENT

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PROPANE GUIDELINES

This information is being provided by the Pasadena Fire Department as a summary of the 2019 California Fire Code and has been adopted by City Ordinance as Title 14.28.010 of the Pasadena Municipal Code. The following guidelines are to be adhered to:

- The use and storage of propane shall be approved under permit from the Pasadena Fire Department in a manner consistent with CFC Section 105 and the Pasadena Municipal Code
- The storage and use of propane shall be used as specified in the California Code of Regulations, Titles 8, 19, 24, the Pasadena Municipal Code and NFPA 58
- Propane cylinders shall be DOT approved, in serviceable condition and used in accordance with manufacturer's documentation
- Storage of cylinders, full or empty, shall be outside and secured within suitable enclosures with approved placards, signs and labels installed in an approved manner
- Storage and use of cylinders, full or empty, shall be a minimum of ten feet from weeds, grass, brush, trash and other combustible materials
- Approved vehicle impact protection shall be installed in storage areas adjacent to or near any vehicular driving surface
- Smoking is not allowed within 25 feet of propane
- Approved signs stating "No Smoking" shall be conspicuously posted near the storage area
- That storage area shall be no closer than 25 feet to any source of ignition
- Cylinders in storage and in use shall be positioned with the pressure relief valve in direct communication with the vapor space of the container
- Equipment associated with propane cylinders, including hoses, shall be in serviceable condition and used in accordance with manufacturer's documentation
- Propane cylinders and appliances shall be located outside and not be placed closer than 10 feet from tents or canopies and 5 feet from buildings and exits
- Pressure relief devices shall be pointed away from the public, heat producing appliances, sources of ignition, tents, membrane structures and temporary special event structures
- Propane cylinders shall not be positioned closer than five feet from heat producing appliances
- Safety devices on cylinders shall not be tampered with or rendered ineffective
- Propane shall be used with approved fire extinguishers in close proximity
- Location of tanks shall provide protection from physical damage or other hazards
- Tanks shall be secured in place, in an approved manner
- Propane is not allowed inside tents