

COCOA BEACH FIRE RESCUE

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To: Whom it may concern

From: City of Cocoa Beach

Re: Grills on or under balconies

Date: 03/02/2022

Cocoa Beach Fire Department has received many calls asking about the use of grills on apartment and condominium balconies. In an attempt to clear up any confusion on this matter, the appropriate National Fire Protection Agency codes have been provided for you.

The 6th Edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code as adopted by the Florida Legislature in Florida Statue 633 and the Florida Administrative Code 69A states:

Florida Fire Prevention Code 6th Edition and NFPA 1 2017 Edition

10.10.6 Cooking Equipment.

10.10.6.1 For other than one- and two-family dwellings, no hibachi, grill, or other similar devices used for cooking, heating, or any other purpose shall be used or kindled on any balcony, under any overhanging portion, or within 10 ft (3 m) of any structure.

10.10.6.1.1 Listed electric portable, tabletop grills, not to exceed 200 square inches of cooking surface, or other similar apparatus shall be permitted.

10.10.6.2 For other than one- and two-family dwellings, no hibachi, grill, or other similar devices used for cooking shall be stored on a balcony.

10.10.6.3* Listed equipment permanently installed in accordance with its listing, applicable codes, and manufacturer's instructions shall be permitted.

69.5.3.5 Storage Within Residential Buildings.

Storage of cylinders within a residential building, including the basement or any storage area in a common basement of a multiple-family building and attached or detached garages, shall be limited to cylinders each with a maximum water capacity of 2.7 lb (1.2 kg) and shall not exceed 5.4 lb (2.4 kg) aggregate water capacity per each living space unit. [58:8.3.5]

F.S 633.025 Minimum fire safety standards.—

(2) Pursuant to subsection (1), each municipality, county, and special district with fire safety responsibilities shall enforce the Florida Fire Prevention Code and the Life Safety Code as the minimum fire safety code required by this section.

We ask that you please share this information with your association members and your tenants. If you have any questions, please contact the fire department.

Thank you

City of Cocoa Beach