



BBQ Grill Regulations

(As of 5/1/2009)

With the approach of summer and the seasonal increase in outdoor cooking, we wanted to educate our community on the BBQ grill requirements included in the 2006 International Fire Code, which is adopted by the City of Loveland. The following are regulations that are required by the City of Loveland's Fire Code:

PROPANE GRILLS

Propane grills are regulated in the size of propane tank that is allowed: Only the small **2.5 lb. propane bottle** sizes are allowed. Traditional BBQ grill propane tanks are a 20 lb. bottle, which in most cases, are not allowed in multi-family dwellings.

These restrictions apply unless:

1. Your balcony/patio is made of concrete, steel or other non-combustible material
- AND**
2. The propane grill can be **placed more than 10 feet away** from combustible siding, decking, or other parts of the structure.

CHARCOAL GRILLS

Charcoal grills, Hibachis, and other open flame cooking appliances **are not allowed**.

These restrictions apply unless:

1. Your balcony/patio is made of concrete, steel or non-combustible material
- AND**
2. The charcoal grill can be placed more than 10 feet away from combustible siding, decking, or other parts of the structure
- OR**
3. The balcony/patio is protected by a fire sprinkler system.

It should be noted that one- and two-family dwellings are exempt from these requirements. If you have any questions please feel free to call the Fire Prevention Office at (970) 962-2537.

Sincerely,

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Loveland Fire & Rescue