Road Map for Mobile Food Truck Regulation

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Mobile Food Trucks
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Hazards

- Multiple Propane Cylinders
- Compressed Gases
- High Voltage Electricity
- Hot Fryer Oil
- Grills
Recent Events

Frites N’ Meats
- When: April 2011
- Where: NYC
- Event: Food truck crash
- West Side Highway
- Result: 1 worker hospitalized for burns and bruises

Canadian National Exhibition
- When: August 2012
- Where: Toronto
- Event: Propane Tank Explosion
- Result: 0 injuries

Bastrop Homecoming Rodeo
- When: August 2013
- Where: Austin, TX
- Event: Propane Tank Explosion
- Result: 1 worker hospitalized for burns

Fresno Christian High School
- When: September 2013
- Where: Fresno, CA
- Event: Propane Tank Explosion
- Result: 2 hospitalized, another injured with non-life threatening injuries

Bossman Pitstop BBQ
- When: June 2014
- Where: Southeast Memphis, TN
- Event: Propane Tank Explosion
- Result: 0 injured

Philby Food Truck Explosion
- When: July 2014
- Where: Philadelphia, PA
- Event: Propane Tank Explosion
- Result: 13 injured, 2 deaths

Deep Fat Fryer - Venice
- When: August 2014
- Where: Venice, CA
- Event: Deep Fat Fryer
- Result: 0 injured

Colfax Avenue Explosion
- When: September 2014
- Where: Denver, CO
- Event: Propane Tank Explosion
- Result: 1 employee with facial burns
Mobile Food Truck Locations
Gap In Safety Inspections & Standards
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Actions Taken To Close The Gap

Submitted Public Input

NFPA 1, Fire Code
- Annual 2017 Revision Cycle
- PI Accepted until July 6, 2015
- Will Review in Fall 2015
- Look for update in January 2016

NFPA 96
- Fall 2016 Revision Cycle
- PI Accepted until Jan. 5, 2015
- Will Review in May of 2015
- Look for update in Sept. 2015
Mobile or Temporary Cooking. Any cooking facility, apparatus or equipment, being operated on a one-time or interim basis, or for less than 90 days in the same location, other than at a fixed location, building or structure which has been inspected and permitted under another section of this code, regulation or statute, inclusive of self-propelled trucks and vehicles, trailered units, push carts, equipment located under cover of awnings, canopies or pop-up tents, or other structures for which a building permit has not been issued.
IFMA’s Public Input No. 114

- Proper use of portable fire extinguishers and extinguishing systems
- Proper method of shutting off fuel sources
- Proper procedure for notifying the local fire department
- Proper refueling
- How to perform leak detection
- Fuel properties

- Gas systems on mobile cooking vehicles shall comply with NFPA 58 and this section.
- Gas systems shall be inspected prior to each use by a worker trained in accordance with 16.1.8 training.
- Leak detection shall be performed every time a new connection or a change in cylinder is made to any gas system.
Committee Scope: This Committee shall have primary responsibility for documents on a Fire Prevention Code that includes appropriate administrative provisions, to be used with the National Fire Codes for the installation, operation, and maintenance of buildings, structures, and premises for the purpose of providing safety to life and property from fire and explosion. This includes development of requirements for, and maintenance of, systems and equipment for fire control and extinguishment. Safety to life of occupants of buildings and structures is under the primary jurisdiction of the Committee on Safety to Life.
Committee Scope: This Committee shall have primary responsibility for documents on fire safety in the design, installation, and use of exhaust systems (including hoods, grease removal devices, exhaust ducts, dampers, air-moving devices, and auxiliary equipment) for the removal of products of combustion, heat, grease, and vapors from cooking equipment, including the application of associated fire extinguishing systems.

4.1.9* Cooking equipment used in fixed, mobile, or temporary concessions, such as trucks, buses, trailers, pavilions, tents, or any form of roofed enclosure, shall comply with this standard unless otherwise exempted by the authority having jurisdiction in accordance with 1.3.2 of this standard.
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