



Event Fire Code References

Emergency Exits- defined as outward swinging doors with push bars on the interior. Roll-up doors are not considered emergency exits.

- Emergency Exits must always be kept “readily visible from any direction of egress travel” (2025 FCNY § 1013.1)- if an exit is visually obstructed, utilize “EXIT” signs and arrows to reasonably indicate where the exit is
- Emergency Exit doors cannot be physically obstructed at any time (2025 FCNY § 1028.5)- must maintain 6 foot clearance in front of all doorways.
- Aisles leading to emergency exits must be at least 42 inches wide (2025 FCNY § 1030.9.1) and kept unobstructed at all times (2025 FCNY § 1018.1)
- Obstructed exits may lead to a reduction in that building’s capacity or require correction.

Cooking Operations Indoors

- Cooking is not permitted under a tent inside buildings with sprinkler systems
- Portable electronic cooking appliances shall not be plugged into extension cords (2025 FCNY 4105.1.2) or operated within 3 feet of combustible materials (2025 FCNY 4105.1.5)
- Portable fuel-fired cooking appliances used indoors shall not be located within 10 feet of exits or combustible materials (2025 FCNY 4104.3)
- Cooking that produces sparks or grease-laden vapors shall not be performed within 10 feet of a tent or membrane structure except when isolated from the public and when devices are used and maintained according to manufacturer’s instructions (2025 FCNY 4104.4)

Vehicles Indoors- applies to vehicles on display indoors during events, not to load in or load out.

- Vehicles must have batteries disconnected (2025 FCNY 314.4.1)
- Vehicles must not contain over 5 gallons or ¼ tank of fuel, whichever is less (2025 FCNY 314.4.2)
- Vehicles must have locking gas caps- if not, gas caps must be sealed with tape (2025 FCNY 314.4.3)
- Vehicles cannot be fueled or defueled within buildings (2025 FCNY 314.4.4)