



Alameda County Fire Department
Fire Prevention Bureau

INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

Use of Barbeques in Multi-Family Dwellings
(2019 California Fire)

The following informational bulletin has been developed by the Fire Department to apprise you of the Fire requirements relative to the use of barbeques at multi-family dwellings. Please note that the following requirements do not apply to single family homes or duplexes.

All charcoal burners...shall not be operated on combustible balconies or within 10 feet of combustible construction. The only exception is where buildings, balconies, and decks are protected by an automatic sprinkler system. (CFC 2019 308.1.4)

All propane (LPG) cooking devices having an LP-gas container with a water capacity greater than 2.5 pounds [nominal 1 pound (0.454 kg) LP-gas capacity] shall not be located on combustible balconies or within 10 feet (3048 mm) of combustible construction. No exceptions (CFC 2019 308.1.4)

Electric cooking appliances are not prohibited.

If you have any questions, please contact the Fire Prevention Division for your area.

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