

Destin Fire Control District

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Chief Kevin Sasser

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To: Owners, Managers, Tenants of Condominiums, Apartment Buildings, Townhomes,
And Residential Buildings with 3 or more units.

Re: Charcoal and Gas Grills

The 2010 Florida Fire Prevention Code (the edition currently adopted by Florida Statute) prohibits the use of charcoal or portable gas grills, or similar devices used for cooking, heating, smoking, deep frying or other purpose on any balcony or under any overhanging portion or within 10 feet of any structure. Equipment that is properly listed for permanent outdoor installation may be approved for use. If you have any questions, please contact this office at (850) 837-8413.

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NFPA 1: 10.11.6: "For other than one & two-family dwellings, no hibachi gas-fired grill, charcoal grill, or other similar devices used for cooking, heating, or any other purpose, shall be used or kindled on any balcony or under any overhanging portion or within 10 feet of any structure.

NFPA 1: 10.11.6.1* "Listed equipment permanently installed in accordance with its listing, applicable codes, and manufacturer's instructions shall be permitted.

A.10.11.6.1: It is not the intent of this paragraph to allow the permanent installation of portable equipment unless it is permitted by its listing.

Note: The notable changes are:

(1) Someone may be able to install a permanent natural gas or electric grill on their balcony. This requires proper permitting and approval prior to installing. **This change does NOT mean someone can connect a portable gas grill to a natural gas line and consider it "Permanently Installed" (see A.10.11.6.1).** Devices such as Green Egg Cookers and similar devices are **NOT** permitted.

(2) This edition of the code has dropped the sentence: "Listed electric ranges, grills, or similar electrical apparatus shall be permitted."



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