

## General Fire Inspection Check List

### For Operational Permits

The purpose of this document is to provide you with a list of the most common violations that can be easily identified and corrected. Keep in mind that this is only a guideline and may not address every situation or violation that could arise. If you have any questions please call our Prevention Office at 385-7347, or visit our website at [co.merced.ca.us](http://co.merced.ca.us)

#### ACCESS:

##### Yes No N/A

- Street address posted with a minimum four (4") inch numbers with contrasting background, and visible from the street. CFC Sec. 505
- Fire apparatus access roads, fire hydrants, FDCs, etc. shall not be obstructed CFC Sec. 503.4, 508.5.4

#### ELECTRICAL:

- Extension cords shall not be used in place of permanent wiring. CFC Sec. 605
- There are no spliced or frayed cords/exposed wires. CFC Sec 605.5.3
- No broken or faulty switch/outlets or electrical cover plate(s). CFC Sec. 605
- No multi-plug adapters in use, other than UL approved surge protectors. CFC Sec 605.4
- Circuit breakers are labeled for identifying the circuits and panels. CFC Sec. 605.3.1
- Electrical cords shall not extend through walls, ceilings, floors, under doors, or floor coverings. CFC Sec 605.5

#### EXITS:

- Exits and corridors not obstructed. CFC Sec. 1030.2
- Proper lock/hardware on exit door (no flush bolts, hasps, etc.) CFC Sec 1008.1.9.4
- Means of egress shall be maintained. CFC Sec. 1030
- Sign over door "This door to remain unlocked during business hours", if main entrance door is equipped with a double keyed deadbolt. CFC Sec. 1008.1.9
- Illuminated exit signs maintained in working order. CFC Sec. 1011.5.3
- Doors with panic hardware shall have no other locking devices. CFC Sec. 1008.1.9.5

#### EXTINGUISHERS/FIRE PROTECTION EQUIPMENT:

- Extinguishers shall be inspected monthly by owner or operator. CFC Sec. 906.2
- Extinguisher has been serviced within the past year and new service tag has been attached. CFC Sec. 901.6.1

- Extinguisher not obstructed. CFC Sec. 906.6
- Fire extinguisher top does not exceed five (5') feet from the floor as mounted (48" ADA). CFC Sec. 906.9.1
- Hood extinguishing system six (6) month service completed. CFC Sec. 904.11.6.2 (cooking establishment)
- Class "K" extinguisher installed for hood and duct system. CFC Sec. 904.11.5 (cooking establishment)
- Fire Alarm system is properly maintained. (records kept) CFC Sec. 901.6.2, NFPA 72
- Storage clearance shall be eighteen (18) inches from sprinkler deflectors in a sprinkled building. CFC Sec.315.2.1
- Storage clearance shall be twenty four (24) inches from ceiling in a nonsprinklered building. CFC Sec.315.2.1
- Fire protection systems including sprinkler, hydrant, standpipe, smoke removal shall be maintained (CFC 901.6)
- Fire protection systems shall have current 5 year tag and records Title 19, Div 1, 904 (CFC 901.6)
- Fire pumps, fire water tanks shall be maintained in accordance to Title 19, Division 1, Chapter 5 (CFC 913.5)

**STORAGE/COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL/HOUSEKEEPING:**

- No combustible material stored near ignition source. CFC Sec. 305.1
- Storage of oily rags in non-combustible container with lid. CFC Sec. 304.3.1
- Flammable/combustible liquid(s) properly stored. CFC Sec. 3404.1
- "No Smoking" signs installed as required. CFC Sec. 3404.2.3.1
- No accumulation of combustible material. CFC Sec. 304.1
- Compressed gas cylinders secured. CFC Sec. 3003.5.3
- Area around building free of combustible material (weeds, trash, boxes, etc.). CFC Sec. 304.1.1

**APPLIANCE/MECHANICAL DEVICES:**

- All appliances are properly vented. CMC Sec.801.2
- Gas meter protected and accessible. CFC Sec. 603.9

**FIRE SEPARATIONS:**

- Remove obstructions and alterations to fire doors and maintain closing and latching devices. CFC Sec 703.2
- Maintain or repair all fire walls and draft stops. CFC Sec. 703.1

**Please schedule an inspection in regards to your annual operational permit with our office. You can reach our office at 385-7347**