

Town Ordinance Ch 5 (17) Add Section 305.6 (Ignition Sources) to read as follows:

“305.6 Fire pits. All fire pits shall be constructed in a manner consistent with good engineering and construction practices. Fire pits must not be installed within 10 feet of an adjoining property line, 15 feet from a residence or 10 feet from any combustible material. The maximum permissible diameter of a fire pit is 3 feet, unless approved by the Fire Code Official.”

Town Ordinance Ch 5 (22) Amend Exceptions in section 307.4.2 (Recreational Fires) to read as follows:

“Exceptions:

1. Portable outdoor fireplaces used at one- and two-family dwellings.
2. Where buildings, balconies and decks are protected by an approved automatic sprinkler system.”

Direct From 2015 Code:

307.4.3 Portable outdoor fireplaces. Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and shall not be operated within 15 feet (3048 mm) of a structure or combustible material. **Portable outdoor fireplaces (also known as patio fireplaces) designed to burn solid fuel*

Exception: Portable outdoor fireplaces used at one- and two-family dwellings.

This section makes it clear that the use of portable outdoor fireplaces is specifically regulated by the code. It prohibits the use of these devices within 15 feet (3048 mm) of any structure and is consistent with Section 307.4, Exception 1. Also, consistent with regulations for other appliances, this section relies upon compliance with the manufacturer’s instructions for additional safeguards.

The exception exempts one- and two-family dwellings from the requirements of this section. In those occupancies, the level of familiarity and control exercised by the building occupants is recognized as offsetting the hazards of using these devices. There are practical difficulties involved in enforcing such regulations in one and two-family dwellings as well.

Town Ordinance Ch 5 (23) Add Sections 307.4.4 and 307.4.5 to read as follows:

“307.4.4 Permanent Outdoor Fire pit. Permanently installed outdoor fire pits for recreational fire purposes shall not be installed within 10 feet of a structure or combustible material.

Exception: Permanently installed outdoor fireplaces constructed in accordance with the International Building Code.

(25) Amend Section 308.1.4 to read as follows:

“308.1.4 **Open**-flame cooking devices. **Open**-flame cooking devices, charcoal grills and other similar devices used for cooking shall not be located or used on combustible balconies, decks, or within 10 feet (3048 mm) of combustible construction.

Exceptions:

1. One- and two-family dwellings, except that LP-gas containers are limited to a water capacity not greater than 50 pounds (22.68 kg) [nominal 20-pound (9.08 kg) LP-gas capacity] with an aggregate LP-gas capacity not to exceed 100 lbs (5 containers).
2. Where buildings, balconies and decks are protected by an approved automatic sprinkler system that provides full coverage of the balcony or deck area, and
3. A labeled gas cut-off for the gas appliance supply line, with non-removable handle, is located inside the residential unit within six feet of the doorway to the balcony or deck, and is able to be operated by any person without additional tools, knowledge, or devices, and
4. A minimum of five feet of clearance is maintained between any **open** flame and the ceiling above {remainder of text unchanged}”