

FACT SHEET: Barbecue Safety Guidelines

Safe Practices at Tulane University



Barbecue organizers at Tulane University are responsible for implementing the following guidelines to ensure personal safety and property conservation.

✓ NEED TO KNOW:

- Please contact the Tulane University Police Department Uptown (504) 865-5381 or Downtown (504) 988-5531 to determine if an officer is required for your event.
- These “Barbecue Safety Guidelines” are intended to help ensure that all on-campus barbecue events are conducted in as safe and healthful manner as possible. All people involved in on-campus barbecue events must be familiar with these guidelines prior to the event.
- Grilling may be prohibited due to weather conditions. Contact Campus Services to determine if grilling is currently allowed.
- Questions regarding these guidelines should be directed to Campus Services by phone at (504) 865- 5441.

📱 MORE INFO:



RESTRICTED USE AREAS:

Use of charcoal and gas hibachis, grills, or similar devices used for cooking is permitted on-campus under certain conditions. Such devices may never be used:

- On any balcony
- Under any overhanging portion of a building or structure
- Within 10 feet of any building or structure

MATERIALS:

Campus Services discourages the use of propane/gas grills due to safety issues associated with gas tank storage. Charcoal and lighter fluid may be used; however these items may not be stored on-campus and must be removed from the area immediately after an activity. All grills must be used according to the manufacturer’s recommendations. If propane/ gas grills will be used, the grills and gas tanks must:

- Be secured to the grill or other suitable support
- Be located to minimize exposure to excessive temperature rises, physical damage, or tampering
- Not be stored inside any building or structure

DISPOSAL:

- All ignited combustible materials used in the barbecue pit such as charcoals must be extinguished by the thorough application of water and allowed to cool prior to disposal.
- To speed the cooling process, coals may be carefully placed in a metal container full of water.
- After properly cooled, coals must be disposed of inside of a metal receptacle.



FIRE EXTINGUISHERS:

- A portable fire extinguisher must be located within 50 feet of the barbecue and a person knowledgeable in the use of a fire extinguisher must be present at all times during the event. Contact Campus Services (504) 865-5441 to obtain a fire extinguisher.
- At least one person to be present during the entire event period must be trained on portable fire extinguisher use. See instructions for accessing online portable fire extinguisher training on page 2. If no person is knowledgeable in use of fire extinguishers, Campus Services should be contacted to determine if Fire & Life Safety must be present at the event. It is also recommended that a garden hose and water supply be available in the immediate area of the barbeque.

! TRAINING:

See Page 2 for training information on Portable Fire Extinguisher Safety required for Tulane students and employees.

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ONLINE TRAINING COURSE ACCESS INSTRUCTIONS

A. Students (including student employees and graduate students) and affiliates with Tulane email addresses and passwords are to access training via Canvas using the Student Training instructions at: <https://oehs.tulane.edu/training>

B. Faculty and staff are to access training via Bridges using the Employee Training instructions at: <https://oehs.tulane.edu/training>

! NOTE:

If you do not have a Tulane ID and Password, or you are a Tulane affiliate without full access to TULearn, email the OEHS Help Desk at oehs@tulane.edu. Provide the full names and email addresses of the persons who need to take the course.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- Tulane University: [Holding a BBQ Fact Sheet](#)