

Kansas Administrative Regulations

State Fire Marshal

Article 10.—Installation and Certification Standards for Extinguishing Devices

22-10-1. Certification standards, definitions.

(a) "Business" means any person or firm who inspects, services or installs portable fire extinguishers or automatic fire extinguishers for commercial cooking equipment. "Business" does not include any person or authorized agent of the person who installs a portable fire extinguisher for protection of the person's own property or business or any individual acting as a representative or employee of a certified firm.

(b) "Certificate" means a written document issued by the state fire marshal that authorizes a business to perform the act or acts permitted by these regulations.

(c) "Certified firm" means a business having a valid registration certificate issued by the state fire marshal.

(d) "Charge" means to fill and make a portable fire extinguisher or fixed extinguishing system cylinder or container ready for use.

(e) "Class" or "classes" mean the specific function or functions that a business is authorized to perform under these regulations.

(f) "Department of transportation (DOT) cylinder" means a cylinder manufactured and tested in compliance with specifications of the United States department of transportation.

(g) "Engineered system" means a fixed extinguishing system that requires individual calculation and design to determine the flow rates, nozzle pressure, quantities of extinguishing agent, and the number and types of nozzles and their placement in a specific system.

(h) "Firm" means any person, partnership, corporation, association or business which installs, services, charges, recharges or inspects any portable fire extinguisher or fixed extinguishing system, unless otherwise exempted.

(i) "Fixed extinguishing system" means an automatic fire extinguisher for commercial cooking equipment.

(j) "Hydrostatic testing" means the pressure-testing of cylinders and containers by approved hydrostatic methods.

(k) "Portable fire extinguisher" means a device that contains chemical fluids, powders, or gases for extinguishing fires and has a label of approval attached by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.

(l) "Pre-engineered system" means a fixed extinguishing system with predetermined flow rates, nozzle pressures, and quantities of extinguisher agents.

(m) "Recognized testing laboratory" means a nationally recognized testing agency, approved by the state fire marshal, which is staffed by qualified personnel, properly equipped to conduct the particular tests in question, and is regularly engaged in conducting tests and furnishing reports on the inspections, examinations and tests of the most recent production of the listed product.

(n) "Self-contained cooking equipment" means a unit of cooking equipment manufactured with a grease collection and vapor removal apparatus as an integral part of the unit and provided with or designed for the installation of a fixed extinguishing system.

(o) "Service" means to conduct a thorough check of a portable fire extinguisher or fixed extinguishing system including charging, maintaining, recharging, repairing, testing or tagging necessary to give maximum assurance that the portable fire extinguisher or fixed extinguishing system will operate effectively and safely.

(p) "Test" means to subject any portable fire extinguisher or fixed extinguishing system to the procedure necessary to assure its proper operation or installation.

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