



Berlin Bureau of Fire Prevention
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Outdoor Cooking Fire Safety Permit Requirements

General Requirements for All Outdoor-Cooking Vendors (Non-Food Truck/Trailer)

- **Type I Fire Safety Permit**
 - Fully completed, clearly legible permit required for *any* open-flame cooking.
- **Approved Commercial Equipment**
 - All cooking appliances must be listed and rated for commercial use.
- **Proper Surface Placement**
 - Equipment must sit on a level, non-combustible surface.
 - If using a tent, the tent must meet NFPA 701 for flame retardant and certification must be attached to tent.
- **LP Gas Tank Requirements**
 - Tanks must be at least 5 ft from cooking equipment.
 - Must be secured to prevent tipping.
 - Relief valves must face away from cooking areas and other vendors.
 - Shutoff valves must remain easily accessible.
- **Required Fire Extinguishers**
 - Minimum 2A 10BC extinguisher with current inspection tag.
 - Class K extinguisher is also required if deep fryers are used.
- **Portable Generator Safety**
 - Must be separated from the public.
 - Exhaust must be 10 ft from openings, air intakes, other vendors, or buildings.
 - Gas cans must be 10 ft from the generator.
 - Cords must be arranged to prevent tripping or hazards.
- **Required Clearances**
 - Maintain 15 ft minimum distance from vendors, structures, hydrants, egress paths, and property lines.

Permit Fees

- \$54 — Events during regular business hours
- \$154 — Events after business hours
- Payment: cash, check, or money order payable to **Berlin Borough**

Submission Deadline

- All documents and payments must be submitted **10 business days before the event**
- **No exceptions** — failure to meet any requirement results in **permit denial**

Requirements are based on: NJ-DFS and Berlin Borough ordinance 2026-09

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