

Use of Portable Heating Devices for Outdoor Business Operations

Gas-fired heating devices may be used for outdoor business operations in open air areas open to the sky or within non-combustible structures consistent with the California Fire Code and Santa Clara County Fire Department.

If you have any questions, call 408-866-2130 or email BobL@campbellca.gov to speak with a city building inspector.

- Prohibited inside tents and temporary structures when business is open to the public
- Shall not be located within 5 feet of combustible decorations, overhangs, awnings, sunshades or similar materials
- Placed at least 10 feet away from tents
- Shall not be located within 5 feet of buildings and exits
- As an alternative, a propane-fired furnace may be use as long as it is outside of a tent and the fuel tank is at least five feet away from the tent
- Heating element or combustion chamber permanently guarded to prevent accidental contact by people or material
- Gas containers used with outdoor heating appliances shall not exceed 20 pounds
- Compliant portable fire extinguishers shall be within 75 feet of where devices are used or stored
- Gas containers shall be stored in a lockable, ventilated metal enclosure such as a chain-link fence outside of a business