



## Tent/Air Supported Structures

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A permit is required from the Tacoma Fire Department for a tent or air supported structure in excess of 200 square feet or for a canopy in excess of 400 square feet in area.

### Note

Note: A canopy is a temporary structure, enclosure or shelter constructed of fabric or pliable material supported in a manner other than by air or the contents it protects and is open, without sidewalls or drops, on 75 percent or more of the perimeter. In addition to the above information, tents or air supported structures in excess of 100 square feet erected inside a building equipped with an automatic sprinkler system requires approval from the Tacoma Fire Department.

1. If there is any food being served and/or prepared using propane (LPG) and open flame (i.e. wood and/or charcoal BBQ) then an additional Tacoma Fire Department permit is required. Generally, propane and open flame cooking is not allowed inside a tent.
2. Only electric powered heating devices are allowed inside the tent or canopy. All other heating devices (e.g. propane, diesel and kerosene fueled) must be outside the tent or canopy and require a separate permit issued by the Tacoma Fire Department.

3. The Tacoma Fire Department does not issue permits for tents or air-supported structures erected for more than 30 days. Tents or air-supported structures intended to be erected for more than 30 days shall notify the Assembly Event Officer prior to permit expiration. A review of the permit conditions and an inspection is required prior to extend the permit expiration date.

If you have additional questions regarding tent or air supported structures, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 253.591.5740.

