

BBQ and Grilling safety awareness

Gas Grill Do's And Donts

Always follow all of the grill manufacturer's instructions and keep written materials and manuals in a safe, accessible place.

Make sure the gas grill is shut off and cooled before covering your grill after use.

Always use or store cylinders outdoors with the relief valve in direct contact with the vapor space, usually in an upright (vertical) position.

After filling or exchanging, take your cylinder home immediately. Keep your vehicle ventilated and keep the cylinder valve closed and plugged or capped in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

When your grill is not in use, cover disconnected hose-end fittings and burner air intakes with small plastic bags, or obtain protective fitting caps from your propane supplier to keep out dirt, insects, and moisture.

When not in use, make sure all grill burner controls are turned off and that the valve cylinder is closed.

Do not smoke while handling the propane cylinder.

Do not allow children to tamper or play with the cylinder or grill.

Do not use, store, or transport your cylinder where it would be exposed to high temperatures. (This includes storing spare cylinders under or near the grill.)

Grilling

DISTANCE
Keep grill away from structures and trees

WATCH
Never leave a grill unattended

CLEAN
Regularly clean to avoid grease build-up and fires

DONT PLAY WITH FIRE! FOLLOW THESE TIPS:



- Be cautious of grilling indoors or on a wooden deck.
- Use long handled grilling tools
- Don't turn on gas while grill lid is closed.
- Wear the correct clothing and keep hair away from the flame.
- Keep water or fire extinguisher handy in case of a fire.

Get ready to grill safely!

BY: THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

July is peak month for grill fires with an average of 19,000 people hospitalized because of injuries involving grills. Before using your grill its a good idea to inspect and test your grill while also insuring its placed in a safe location. Some leading causes of grilling accidents and injuries include not cleaning your grill, unattended cooking, children touching/ playing around hot grill, and leaks or breaks. You should always grill with safety in mind to insure a successful BBQ season.

For more information, visit your local health department website

