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## INSTALLATION OF TEMPORARY TENTS OVER EXISTING PERMITTED PATIO SEATING AND TEMPORARY TENTS ON CITY PROPERTY DURING THE OLYMPIC GAMES PERIOD

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This bulletin is intended to clarify the City's policy for the installation of temporary tents over existing permitted patio seating and temporary tents on City property during the Olympic Games period. This policy will supersede the requirements for installation of temporary tents as stated in BULLETIN 2005-002-BU "BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR TEMPORARY TENTS AND STAGES". The effective date of this policy will be from January 1, 2010 to March 31, 2010.

The following requirements must be met in order to install temporary tents without a Building Permit:

1. The area of a single tent must not exceed 60 m<sup>2</sup>. Multiple tents may be grouped without separation provided the total aggregate area does not exceed 60 m<sup>2</sup>. Each 60 m<sup>2</sup> of tent area must be separated from all other tent areas by a minimum spacing of 2 m.

[Note: There is no restriction on the distance between a building and tent(s)]

2. Fire-Resistant fabrics must be used for tents conforming to:
  - a) CAN/ULC-S109-M "Standard for Flame Tests of Flame-Resistant Fabrics and Films",
  - b) NFPA 701, "Standard Method of Fire Tests for Flame Propagation of Textiles and Films", 2004 edition, or
  - c) Certification of Registered Flame Resistance Product Certified by California Fire Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Office of the State Fire Marshal.
3. If a heating device is installed in the tent or adjacent to the tent, the heating device must be installed and operated as recommended by the manufacturer to avoid fire hazard. The heating device's installation and operation manual must be kept on site for reference if requested by inspection staff.
4. Tents must be installed by professional installer having 3<sup>rd</sup> party liability insurance. The amount of liability insurance coverage shall be to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Official and/or the City Engineer. A copy of this 3<sup>rd</sup> party liability insurance must be kept on site for reference if requested by inspection staff.
5. Two opposite sides of the tent must remain open.
6. Any advertisement on the tent must comply with the provisions in the 2010 Winter Games By-law.
7. Cooking or food preparation that generates grease-laden vapour is not permitted in the tent.

Please note that if the tent is to be installed on City property, permission must be obtained from Engineering Services prior to installation. Also, if an electric heater is to be installed in the tent or adjacent to the tent, an Electrical Permit is required.

All temporary tents installed under this policy must be removed on or before April 1, 2010.

Further information related to 2010 Winter Games By-law may be found on the City's website at: <http://vancouver.ca/cbo>.

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