

Hackensack Fire Department



Propane Gas Grill and Range Safety Tips

Propane Grill Do's:

Always use the grill outdoors in a well-ventilated area. Do not bring propane cylinders indoors or into an enclosed space such as a garage or basement.

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

Make sure the grill burner controls are turned off. Keep the cylinder valve closed when not in use.

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

Always use or store cylinders in an upright, vertical position. Store them outdoors away from sources of ignition.

When you have your cylinder refilled, have your supplier check for dents, damage, rust or leaks.

After filling, take your cylinder home immediately. Keep your vehicle ventilated with the cylinder valve closed and plugged or capped. Do not leave the cylinder in your car.

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.

Before lighting your propane gas grill burner, use a leak-detection solution to check all connections for tightness. Contact your local propane gas supplier to obtain the leak-detection solution and instructions on how to use it.

Never use matches or lighters to check for leaks.

If there is a significant and uncontrollable release of gas or a fire, call the fire department immediately and move all people and pets away from the unit.

Propane Grill Don'ts:

Do not smoke while handling the propane cylinder.

Do not leave the cylinder in your vehicle.

Do not use matches or lighters to check for leaks.

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.)

Propane Gas Range Do's:

Follow the manufacturer's installation and operating instructions.

Have your unit serviced if the burner flame is not blue. The blue flame indicates complete combustion.

A yellow flame means air inlets are clogged or burners need to be adjusted.

Keep pot handles turned inward.

Schedule regular preventive maintenance checks for your appliances.

Keep the range surface clean.

Propane Gas Range Don'ts:

Do not cover the oven bottom with foil - it can restrict air circulation.

Never use gas ranges for space heating.

Never allow children to turn the burner control knobs on your propane gas range.

Do not leave food simmering unattended.

Keep flammable materials away from burner flames.

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