



## **SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS**

### CITY OF MODESTO **FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU**

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### **Tents and Membrane Structures**

A permit shall be obtained from the Modesto Fire Department for any of the following:

- A. A single tent greater than 700 square feet with no sidewalls or drops on its perimeter.
- B. Multiple tents placed side-by-side with an aggregate area greater than 700 square feet, having no sidewalls or drops and not separated by a 12-foot or greater fire break.
- C. A single tent with at least one sidewall or drop, greater than 400 square feet.
- D. Multiple tents placed side-by-side, with at least one sidewall or drop, with an aggregate area greater than 400 square feet, not separated by a 20-foot or greater fire break.

### **Food Vendors**

- A. Food vendors at public events, using propane-powered cooking equipment will require a permit from the Modesto Fire Department. Food vendors using charcoal or other electrical powered cooking equipment will not need a permit.
- B. Mobile food vending equipment used within the City of Modesto must have a valid permit. The organizer must submit a vendor list as well as copies of all annual permits. If all food vendors have a valid annual permit they will not need an inspection on the day of the event.
- C. Vendors without a current permit must submit a LPG Food Vendor Permit Application to the Fire Prevention Bureau at least one week prior to the event. Vendors who do not have an annual permit prior to the event will require an inspection the day of the event (but the application must be submitted at least one week prior). Permit applications can be found at: [www.modestogov.com/forms/](http://www.modestogov.com/forms/)
- D. **Food vendors who do not have an annual permit or who do not submit an application at least one week prior to the event cannot participate in the event.**