



# NORTH HAMPTON FIRE & RESCUE

## TENT INSPECTIONS



- ❑ Every tent or temporary membrane structure shall have an official *Certificate of Flame Resistance* for the structure. A copy of this certificate shall be provided to the North Hampton Fire & Rescue at the time of inspection.
- ❑ “No Smoking” signs shall be conspicuously posted inside and at the entrances to the tent.
- ❑ The minimum number of means of egress (or exits) from a tent shall be as follows:
  - ➔ 10-199 People – 2 exits, minimum of 72 inches wide
  - ➔ 200-499 People – 3 exits, minimum of 72 inches wide
- ❑ All exit openings shall remain open and uncovered.
- ❑ Aisles from seating areas to exits shall not be less than 44 inches wide.
- ❑ Exit signs shall be posted over each exit. For tents with sides or those that will be utilized at night or other times when there is no sunlight, the exit signs shall be illuminated.
  - ➔ Exit signs shall be powered by normal electricity and shall have a secondary source of power such as a battery or other approved method.
- ❑ Tents with sides or those that will be utilized at night or other times when there is no sunlight shall have lighting provided. Emergency lighting units with a battery power source shall be provided in the event of a power failure.
- ❑ Tent stake line shall be a minimum of 10 feet apart.
- ❑ Portable fire extinguishers shall be provided for all tents.
- ❑ Floor layouts shall be provided to North Hampton Fire & Rescue depicting the location of tables, chairs, displays, or other furnishings located within the tent.
- ❑ Cooking and heating equipment shall not be located within 10 feet of tent exits.
- ❑ Any tent that has an occupant load of more than 50 people shall have a State of New Hampshire *Place of Assembly* permit issued, provided after a final inspection by the North Hampton Fire & Rescue fire inspector.