



# City Of Attleboro, Massachusetts

## HEADQUARTERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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As of January 1, 2010, any person engaged in the cleaning and inspection of commercial cooking operations must hold a certificate of competency issued by the State Fire Marshal. The regulation requires a frequency of inspection, as established by NFPA 96 and table 11.04. Based on the results of an inspection, a determination is made by the inspector if the system needs to be cleaned.

The owner, or his/her designee, shall furnish the fire department with documentation attesting to the fact that the systems have been inspected for grease build up by a properly trained, qualified, and certified person. The owner shall also provide the fire department with a signed statement that the system is in compliance with NFPA 96.

Commercial cooking ovens and furnaces require permit from the head of the fire department. The fire department shall issue permits annually for commercial cooking operations. Prior to the issuance of said permit, all required documentation shall be provided to the fire prevention officer for review; and inspection shall be conducted.

### **Schedule of Inspection for Grease Buildup**

| <b><u>Type or Volume of Cooking</u></b>  | <b><u>Inspection Frequency</u></b> |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Systems serving solid fuel cooking operations  | Monthly                            |
| Systems serving high-volume cooking operations such as 24-hour cooking, charbroiling, or wok cooking             | Quarterly                          |
| Systems Serving moderate-volume cooking operations   | Semi-annually                      |
| Systems Serving low-volume cooking operations such as churches, day camps, seasonal businesses or senior centers | Annually                           |

Labels are to be fixed to commercial cooking equipment, in accordance with NFPA 96 section 11.6.13 and further, the content, size, design and placement shall be prescribed by the

State Fire Marshal.

The regulation requires the head of the fire department to issue a cease and desist order at any facility that has not had an inspection within the past twelve months, in accordance with Table 11.04



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Existing systems must comply with the requirement to have access panels every 10 feet or on each floor level, and applies to systems that have both interior and exterior exhaust shafts.

As directed by the Office of the State Fire Marshal, existing **systems are not grandfathered and will be tagged as non-compliant by the inspector.** If your system is tagged as non-compliant due to a lack of access panels you will have six months from the date of the notification of non-compliance to bring the system into compliance. In addition, until the system is brought into compliance, it is required to be inspected *and* cleaned according to the schedule listed above.