

Address of Project:\_\_\_\_\_ Application No.:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Printed Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

(See notes below.)

## TENT GENERAL NOTES

**The signature of the Applicant above indicates agreement with all stated requirements below.**

Supplemental construction notes provided by Hamilton County are based on the minimum requirements of the *Ohio Building Code (OBC)*, *Ohio Fire Code (OFC)*, and the *Hamilton County Building Code (HCBC)*.

This document, when signed, becomes part of the application for plan approval. The requirements on this document shall take precedence over discrepancies found within the approved construction documents. Additionally, both men and women shall have access to accessible restrooms and drinking fountains within 500-feet and within 1-story.

Tents of 120 square feet (or less) and that house less than 10 occupants do not require building permits. All other tents, including those that house 10 or more occupants (regardless of size), do require building permits.

**1. Indicate the *number of tents* in each category:**

- (a) ☐ **90-mph** Tent installation was designed to fully resist all applicable structural loads (lateral & uplift) imposed by a  $V_{asd}$  of 90-mph (nominal wind speed). *Water barrels are not permitted.*
- (b) ☐ **40-mph** Tent installation has an *evacuation plan* and was designed to fully resist all applicable structural loads (lateral & uplift) imposed by a  $V_{asd}$  of 40-mph (nominal wind speed).

**2. Indicate the *number of tents* in each category:**

- (a) ☐ 1-exit (max. 49 occ./max. 75-feet of travel)  
Max. Occupant Load (each):\_\_\_\_\_
- (b) ☐ 2-exits (up to 320 occupants)\*  
Max. Occupant Load (each):\_\_\_\_\_
- (c) ☐ 3-exits (up to 480 occupants)\*  
Max. Occupant Load (each):\_\_\_\_\_
- (d) ☐ Continuous exit [no side walls]  
Max. Occupant Load (each):\_\_\_\_\_

\* Maximum 100-feet of exit access travel distance.

**3. Indicate the *number of tents* in each category:**

- (a) ☐ Wood masts & supports (Type VB)
- (b) ☐ Noncombustible masts & supports (Type IIB)

**4. Indicate the *number of tents* in each category:**

- (a) ☐ A-2/A-3 Assembly
- (b) ☐ B Business
- (c) ☐ M (Mercantile)

**5. Complete the following:**

- (a) Erection Date:\_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Strike Date:\_\_\_\_\_
- (c) Total No. of Tents Requiring Approval:\_\_\_\_\_

6. Side walls (or panels) on tents shall not be lowered or closed during public occupancy. If lowered or closed, comply with Item 7, below.
7. Exits shall be equally spaced around the tent's perimeter. When at least 2 exits are required, they shall be spaced apart not less than one-half the diagonal measurement of the tent.
8. All tent side walls (or panels), and roofs shall have permanent labels clearly identifying their size, type of fabric and current flame spread documentation in compliance with *NFPA 701-2019*.
9. Exit signs are required in all tents with side walls (or panels) that require 2 or more exits.

10. The manufacturer's specifications & installation instructions for each tent type shall be available to the Building Inspector prior to the final inspection. All tents shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications & installation instructions, including staking.
11. Tents shall be erected for not more than 180 days.
12. When doors and door hardware are provided, and the occupant load exceeds 49, 2 exit doors are required and both shall be equipped with panic hardware.
13. If the tent is occupied after sundown, all means of egress shall be illuminated with 1 footcandle of light at floor level. This lighting shall be controlled from a location inaccessible to unauthorized persons.
14. If the tent is occupied after sundown, and a minimum of 2 exits are required, exit signs and emergency egress lighting shall be installed with a 90 minute of back-up power source.
15. Main aisle widths, in public areas within each tent, shall not be less than 44-inches and shall not serve more than 200 occupants. The aisle width between table edges, where there are no seats backing into the aisle, shall also be 44-inches. An additional 19-inches of width shall be provided on each side of all aisles with adjacent seating.
16. Two or more A-2 and/or A-3 tents and two or more B and/or M tents with maximum aggregate building areas of 6000-sf and 9000-sf, respectively, shall be considered one tent for the application of Table 602.
17. At least one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating or two portable fire extinguishers with a minimum 2-A rating shall be provided in each tent.
18. Generators, heaters, fuel tanks, and all other combustion-related equipment shall be separated from all tents by a minimum of 20-feet and shall be isolated from contact with the public by fencing or other approved enclosure.
19. Tents that house cooking operations shall be approved by Hamilton County Public Health.
20. All electrical work associated with tent installations shall require electrical permits and electrical inspections by:

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