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## **FIRE SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR COOKING ACTIVITIES WITHIN RELIGIOUS PREMISES**

We would like to share the following fire safety guidelines pertaining to cooking activities within religious premises. Please adhere to the following guidelines to ensure that the fire safety continues to be maintained.

### **Adequate Separation Distance**

1. Cooking activities shall be done at a separate open area, sited away from the building. There must be a minimum of 3m separation distance between the cooking area to the building.
2. Minimum 3m separation distance from Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) cylinder to cooking stove
3. Minimum 3m separation distance from LPG cylinder to the building
4. Minimum 3m separation distance from LPG cylinder to any passageways or exits such that it does not cause obstruction or danger to occupants during a fire or gas leaking incident
5. Should any temporary tentage be erected, there must be a minimum of 1m separation distance between the tentage and the building

### **Requirements on the Use of LPG**

1. LPG cylinders shall be protected from tampering or accidental damage by placing them in a suitable housing or cabinet made from non-combustible materials.
2. Each LPG housing/cabinet should be limited to 2 x 12.5kg. If more than one housing/cabinet is used, the separation distance of 0.6m between housing/cabinet is required.
3. The total capacity of LPG permitted is limited to 75kg or 6 x 12.5kg LPG cylinders.
4. The cabinet shall be placed on a firm, clean, dry and level ground. It shall be sited at ground level at a well-ventilated area such as any gas leakage can safely and rapidly disperse.



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5. The LPG flexible hose shall be kept away from direct flames.
  6. A warning sign of notice (minimum dimension of 800mm by 600mm) shall be permanently displayed at the front of the LPG housing/cabinet.
  7. The LPG housing/cabinet shall be provided with at least one approved dry chemical fire extinguisher with a minimum capacity of 9kg.

#### **Other Fire Safety Precautionary Measures**

1. Cooking activities must be supervised at all times.
2. LPG cylinders must not be left unattended.
3. No combustible materials are to be kept near the cooking area.

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