



Boston Fire Department Policy

For

Commercial Hood & Exhaust Cleaners within the City of Boston

A Boston Fire Department registration may be suspended, revoked or a probationary period imposed for one or more of the following violations:

- 1) Any fire resulting from the improper cleaning of a commercial hood and exhaust system
- 2) Excessive system grease build up has been noted upon inspection by a BFD inspector/officer. (Hoods must be cleaned according to NFPA 96)
- 3) Failure to notify BFD Fire Prevention of improperly installed or missing access panels
- 4) Failure to notify BFD Fire Prevention of a non code complaint hood & exhaust system
- 5) Failure to notify BFD Fire Prevention of any customer that is overdue in scheduling an inspection/cleaning
- 6) Failure to notify BFD Fire Prevention of a customer cancellation of your service
- 7) Failure to notify BFD Fire Prevention of a change in your address
(P.O. boxes are not acceptable)
- 8) Failure to notify BFD Fire Prevention of a missing hood & exhaust system line diagram
- 9) Failure to renew/maintain Boston Fire Department registration
- 10) Failure to use the correct stickers and procedures
 - a) Only properly colored City of Boston stickers may be used
 - b) Cleaning must be complete before sticker is attached
 - c) When deficiencies are found the YES box shall be checked and a deficiency report sent to BFD Fire Prevention Division
- 11) Failure to report any serious conditions found to exist at the time of inspection or cleaning

Guidelines for suspension or revocation of registration within the City of Boston

Violations of NFPA 96 may require a hearing. The hearing officer will detail the violations and deficiencies found and the cleaner shall have the opportunity to respond. The cleaner shall be required to provide a list of all contracted and non contracted customers and cleaning dates within the past 6 months. An inspection of those systems will be performed by a BFD inspector to insure compliance with NFPA 96. Conditions found during these inspections will be considered in determining whether any penalties will be imposed.

When a fire investigation reveals the cause or spread of a fire was due to improper inspection/cleaning, the inspector/cleaner's registration in the City of Boston may be suspended or revoked.

Penalties up to and including revocation of the inspectors/cleaners registration may be imposed for any violations regarding the inspection/cleaning of Commercial Hood & Exhaust Systems

Any suspension may require the inspector/cleaner to obtain certification from a BFD approved program before reinstatement as a registered inspector/cleaner within the City of Boston.
(The course must be approved by City of Boston Fire Marshal)