

Portland Housing Authority

Barbeque Grill and Fire Pit Policy

The health and safety of its residents is paramount for PHA. PHA establishes this policy to keep the use of grills safe and enjoyable. Barbeque smokers fall under the category of a grill.

Policy rules are as follows:

- 1) Outdoor burning including the use of a fire pit is not allowed on PHA property.
- 2) Only grills approved by the PHA property manager may be used.
- 3) Smoke from grills in use must not create a public nuisance by impacting neighboring properties.
- 4) Burning of trash, construction materials, leaves, and brush is prohibited.
- 5) All flammable materials must be extinguished before storing the grill after use.

The Property Manager must approve each grill prior to being used. Tenants can request approval once at the beginning of each season. Use of an unapproved grill will result in the receipt of a lease violation letter.

Safety guidelines are as follows:

- 1) A responsible adult, over the age of 18, shall be in attendance at all times during the use of a grill.
- 2) The grill must be placed on level ground at least 10 feet from building during use.
- 3) While in use grill must be away from all flammable materials; may include, dry leaves, brush, low hanging branches, deck railings, sidings.
- 4) NEVER leave children or pets unattended near a hot grill.
- 5) Long handed barbecue tools and flame retardant mitts are recommended during use.