UNIVERSITY POLICY

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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL
POLICY ON EXTERIOR OPEN FLAME

Introduction

PURPOSE
This Policy establishes permissible use of open flame in exterior spaces of the University.

SCOPE OF APPLICABILITY
This Policy applies to all exterior open flame activities on University property, whether that person in possession of the open flame or responsible for any open flame is a student, employee, or non-affiliate.

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POLICY STATEMENT
All members of the University community and other visitors to campus are expected to comply with this Policy to ensure the safety of University property, personal property, and individual health and safety.

All open flames are prohibited in the exterior spaces of the University.

EXCEPTIONS
Any UNC employee approved by the required managerial chain and University policies may use open flame devices in the exterior spaces of the University, when such devices are necessary for a work purpose and used subject to all relevant safety procedures.

Outdoor cooking conducted
1) In approved University-provided grills in designated University locations with permanent, fixed grills
2) In portable grills or other flame devices as approved by EHS Fire Safety
3) As allowed by the University’s tailgating procedures

Any exterior use of open flames by a student organization must be approved in advance by Environment, Health and Safety and the Carolina Union. All requests must be made
at least 30 days in advance, or a shorter period of time at the discretion of Environment, Health and Safety and the Carolina Union.

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**Definitions**

Open Flame: any candles, torches, butane burners or any other object that incorporates fire

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**Related Requirements**

The North Carolina Fire Code
Chapter 4 of the Environment, Health and Safety Manual: Fire Safety

**EXTERNAL REGULATIONS AND CONSEQUENCES**

Certain uses of fire may be subject to criminal prosecution.

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To report an uncontained fire or open flame in violation of this Policy, please contact the University Fire Marshal, Department of Environment, Health and Safety. In an emergency or where open flame appears to present a threat to life or property, please call 911.