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BARBECUES ON BALCONIES

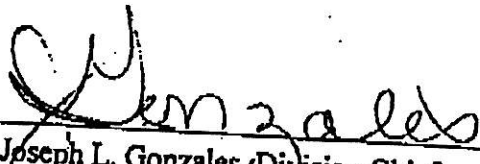
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The use of any barbecue cookers inside of buildings, on roofs, or on balconies, above the first floor, attached to multiple family dwellings of three or more living units located one above the other is prohibited. (UFC 1994, Section 1105.5.1)

- Exceptions:**
1. *Not applicable when private balconies are served by outside stairways and when only such stairways are used to transport the propane container.*
 2. *Not applicable if the barbecue cooker is powered by electricity.*
 3. *Not applicable if the total container capacity of the barbecue cooker is one pound or less of L.P. gas. Two extra one-pound L.P. gas containers may be stored on the balcony. (UFC Standards 82-3-4.9.2)*
 3. *Not applicable if barbecue cooker is properly installed and supplied by the building's natural gas system.*

Outside corridors used to access dwelling units or common areas are not considered balconies and must be kept clear at all times.

Barbecue cookers that use L.P. gas containers larger than one pound or any charcoal barbecues that are located on roofs or on balconies above the first floor, attached to multiple family dwellings of three or more living units located one above the other are a violation of the Uniform Fire Code and shall be removed immediately.


Joseph L. Gonzales, Division Chief
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