



FIRE REGULATIONS CONCERNING VEHICLES AT TRADESHOWS

The Kansas Expocentre Staff reminds you that all shows are required by law to abide by the following guidelines, when exhibiting vehicles at indoor tradeshow and/or exhibitions. These regulations are enforced by the City of Topeka Fire Department.

1. Fuel in the tanks should not exceed one-quarter of the tank capacity or 5 gallons (18.9L), whichever is less.
2. A gas filler spout that is either lockable, or must be taped shut to prevent the escape of vapors, or access to the tank.
3. If propane tanks are part of a display, no two tanks containing propane may be stored close than 20' from each other.
4. Batteries shall be disconnected in an approved manner.
5. Vehicles may not be fueled or de-fueled within the building.
6. Fuel for the vehicles or equipment shall be stored in approved containers, in an approved location outside of building.

Show managers are expected to make this information available to all exhibitors. This will include all shows that may have any gasoline, diesel or propane fueled internal combustion engines on display, including mowers, cars, trucks, tractors, loaders, boats, jet ski's, generators, compressors, etc. This regulation applies to all facilities.

The Fire Department has the right to inspect vehicles in any and all of our shows. If internal combustion engines are allowed in the facility, that do not meet the requirements, the Fire Department has the right to close the show and demand that non-compliant units be removed from the building. Fuel cannot be removed from the tank inside the facility; meaning that units would have to be removed in order to make this possible. The show could be interrupted for hours.

In 2002, the Kansas Expocentre has provided security guards on several occasions, in order to help enforce these regulations, during show load-ins. This will no longer be true. Show managers are now solely responsible for ensuring that all exhibitors abide by these regulations.

This document serves as a written notice to all show management of the fire regulations that will be enforced at all events that take place at the Kansas Expocentre.