# How Does The Inspection Process Work?

Dear Business Owner/Manager:

The Wasaga Beach Fire Department values your business. As a vital part of our community your business is essential to the communities' wellbeing. Most businesses that suffer a fire never recover from the devastating effects. In an effort to keep you and your customers' safe, the Town of Wasaga Beach has adopted and enforces Fire and Life safety rules and regulations as required by the Province of Ontario.

As a business operator you are responsible to ensure compliance with the Ontario Fire Code and Municipal By-laws. You can help us by correcting all violations completely and as soon as possible.

In the event that corrections are not addressed within a reasonable time frame, the Wasaga Beach Fire Department will exercise its powers under section 21 of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act including the issuance of Inspection Orders.

If violations were identified during your inspection, please correct them immediately and then notify us by email at <a href="mailto:Fire@wasagabeach.com">Fire@wasagabeach.com</a>. This will ensure that your inspection file is updated and that you successfully pass your inspection.

## Other Community Safety Programs ...

- Home Inspections
- Fire Prevention Week Activities
- School Programs and Fire Drills
- Seniors Programs
- Fire Extinguisher Training
- Special Event Planning
- Fire Station Tours



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### Fire and Life Safety Inspections

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#### FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY CHECKLIST

#### **Exits**

- Exit passageways are clear and free of obstruction.
- ☐ Stairways and fire escapes are not used for storage.
- ☐ Exit doors remain unlocked while the building is occupied.
- Exit doors open easily without much force.
- ☐ Exit lights are illuminated and visible.



#### Electrical

- Extension cords are not used as permanent wiring.
- Power bars and surge protectors are plugged directly into the wall outlet.
- □ Circuits are not overloaded.
- All electrical outlets, junction boxes and switches have covers.
- Access to electrical panel is not blocked and circuits are labeled.
- Space heaters have clearance to combustible materials.



## Inspection Schedule of Commercial Cooking Systems

- Systems serving solid fuel cooking operations Monthly
- Systems serving high volume cooking operations such as 24hr cooking, charbroiling, or wok cooking- Quarterly
- Systems serving moderate volume cooking operations –

#### Semi-annually

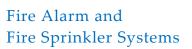
 Systems serving low volume cooking operations, such as churches, day camps, seasonal businesses, or senior centers -<u>Annually</u>

#### Miscellaneous

- Address and suite numbers are visible from the road.
- Combustible storage is not allowed in boiler, electrical and mechanical rooms.
- All combustible storage needs to be kept a sufficient distance from heating appliances.
- Fire doors need to be kept closed and not propped open unless by an approved hold open device.
- All compressed gas cylinders need to be secured to prevent them from tipping over.
- Garbage dumpsters need to be outside and a minimum of 5' from openings such as doors and windows, combustible walls and not under overhangs or canopies.

#### Fire Extinguishers

- At least one extinguisher for every 3,000 square feet and not further then 75 feet walking distance rated at 2-A:10-BC minimum.
- Extinguishers are properly installed and mounted, visible and accessible.
- Extinguishers are inspected monthly,
  Serviced annually and have a service tag affixed.



- Fire alarm system does not have trouble, supervisory or alarm lights on.
- Fire alarm pull stations are not blocked and are accessible at all times.
- Fire alarm and sprinkler systems are serviced annually and a copy of the service report is available on site.
- Sprinkler heads shall not be obstructed.
- Access to the sprinkler control valve and fire department connections must not be obstructed.

Note: This checklist is intended to provide general guidance. Your business may be required to comply with additional safety measures as per the Ontario Fire Code.