

Tent Information

Section 3.14. Tents and Air-Supported Structures

(See Note A-3.14.)

3.14.1. Tents

3.14.1.1. Application

- (1) Except as provided in this Subsection, tents are exempt from complying with the requirements of this Division.

3.14.1.2. General

- (1) Except as provided in Sentence (2), the requirements of this Subsection shall apply to all tents.
- (2) Articles 3.14.1.3., 3.14.1.7. and 3.14.1.8. do not apply to tents that
 - (a) do not exceed 225 m² in ground area,
 - (b) do not exceed 225 m² in aggregate ground area and are closer than 3 m apart,
 - (c) do not contain bleachers, and
 - (d) are not enclosed with sidewalls.

3.14.1.3. Means of Egress

- (1) Except as provided in Sentences (2) and (3), tents shall conform to Sections 3.3. and 3.4.
- (2) A tent need not conform to Article 3.4.6.12. except where swing type doors are provided.
- (3) Where the area between adjacent tents or a tent and the property line is used as a *means of egress*, the minimum width between stake lines shall be the width necessary for *means of egress*, but not less than 3 m.

3.14.1.4. Clearance to Other Structures

- (1) Tents shall not be erected closer than 3 m to the property line.
- (2) Except as provided in Sentences (3) to (6), tents shall not be erected closer than 3 m to other tents or structures on the same property.
- (3) A *walkway* between a *building* and a tent occupied by the public is permitted provided
 - (a) the tent is not closer than 3 m from the *building*, and
 - (b) the *walkway* conforms to Article 3.2.3.19.
- (4) Tents not occupied by the public need not be separated from one another, and are permitted to be erected less than 3 m from other structures on the same property, where such closer spacing does not create a hazard to the public.
- (5) Tents located on fair grounds or similar open spaces, need not be separated from one another provided such closer spacing does not create a hazard to the public.
- (6) Where a tent is to be constructed in proximity to existing above ground electrical conductors, the tent shall be constructed in accordance with Article 3.1.20.1.

3.14.1.5. Clearances to Flammable Material

- (1) The ground enclosed by a tent and for not less than 3 m outside of such structure shall be cleared of all flammable or *combustible* material or vegetation that will carry fire.

3.14.1.6. Flame Resistance

- (1) Every tent, and tarpaulins, decorative materials, fabrics and films used in connection with tents, shall be certified to CAN/ULC-S109, "Standard Method for Flame Tests of Flame-Resistant Fabrics and Films," or NFPA 701, "Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Flame Propagation of Textiles and Films."

3.14.1.7. Bleachers

- (1) Where bleachers are provided in tents, they shall be designed in conformance with Articles 3.3.2.9., 3.3.2.12. and Subsection 4.1.5.

3.14.1.8. Sanitary Facilities

- (1) Except as provided in Sentence (3), the minimum number of water closets for tents shall be determined in accordance with Table 3.7.4.3.-E. - See Page 3
- (2) Article 3.7.4.16. applies to sanitary facilities in Sentence (1).

- (3) Sanitary privies, chemical closets or other means for the disposal of human waste may be provided in lieu of toilet fixtures.

3.14.1.9. Provision for Firefighting

- (1) Access shall be provided to all tents for the purpose of firefighting.

3.14.1.10. Electrical Systems

- (1) The electrical system and equipment in a tent, including electrical fuses and switches, shall be inaccessible to the public.
- (2) Cables on the ground in areas used by the public in a tent shall be placed in trenches or protected by covers to prevent damage from traffic.

Table 3.7.4.3.-E
Water Closets for Assembly Occupancies
Forming Part of Sentences 3.7.4.3.(5) and 3.14.1.8.(1)

Number of Persons of Each Sex	Minimum Number of Water Closets for Each Sex
1 to 50	2
51 to 70	3
71 to 90	4
91 to 110	5
111 to 140	6
141 to 180	7
181 to 220	8
221 to 260	9
over 260	10 plus 1 for each additional increment of 40 persons of each sex in excess of 260