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**To:** Danvers Residents of Multi-Family Dwellings

**From:** Chief Kevin P. Farrell

**Subject:** Use and Storage of Outdoor Cooking Equipment

On January 1, 2015, Massachusetts formally adopted the new Comprehensive Fire Safety Code 527 CMR 1.00; a model code from NFPA 1, 2012 Edition, with Massachusetts amendments. This code has some new language governing the storage and use of all outdoor cooking equipment which includes Gas, charcoal and electric grills as well as hibachis. These changes in effect are listed below:

### **527 CMR Chapter 10.11.6 Cooking Equipment.**

**10.11.6.1** For other than single-family dwellings, **no hibachi, grill (this includes gas, electric, charcoal), or other similar devices used for cooking, heating, or any other purpose shall be used or kindled on any balcony, under any overhanging portion, or within 10 ft. of any structure.**

**10.11.6.2** For other than one and two family dwellings, no hibachi, grill (this includes gas, electric, charcoal), or other similar devices used for cooking **shall be stored on a balcony.**

Although these regulations pertain specifically to the use and storage of outdoor cooking equipment in multi-family dwellings, the Danvers Fire Department strongly recommends that these requirements be practiced by single family home owners as well. If you have any questions regarding this letter feel free to call the Danvers Fire Department at 978-762-0247.