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FIRE MARSHAL BULLETIN

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To: NCFM-Licensed Automatic Fire Extinguishing System and Portable Fire Extinguisher Service Contractors

From: Assistant Chief Fire Marshal - Michael F. Uttaro - muttaro@nassaucountyny.gov

Re: Kitchen Portable Fire Extinguisher Requirements

Corresponding with updates to the Nassau County Fire Prevention Ordnance and the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, the following procedures shall apply to the requirements for portable fire extinguishers present within kitchens or cooking areas protected by an automatic fire-extinguishing system within Nassau County.

- 1. The class BC portable fire extinguisher formerly required on plans and installed within kitchens or cooking areas shall no longer be required.
- 2. The class BC extinguisher currently present shall be removed at the next service date of either the portable fire extinguisher or automatic fire-extinguishing system whichever comes first. The customer may decide what to do with the retired extinguisher. It may remain on premise if permitted elsewhere by NFPA 10, otherwise it can be recycled, discarded, or otherwise.
- 3. A class K portable fire extinguisher shall be required in all kitchens and cooking areas protected by an automatic fire-extinguishing system, irrespective of the appliances present.
- 4. The class K portable fire extinguisher shall be located directly underneath or in the immediate vicinity of the pull station for the automatic fire-extinguishing system.
- 5. Additional fire extinguishers shall be provided in accordance with NFPA 10.