

## **1109.8 Requirements for Use of Candles and Other Open Flame Decorative Devices.**

**1109.8.1 General.** The use of candles and other open-flame decorative devices in places of assembly and drinking or dining establishments shall be in accordance with Section 1109.8.

### **1109.8.2 Candles and other open-flame decorative devices.**

Candles and other open-flame decorative devices shall be in accordance with the following:

1. Classes I and II liquids and LP-gas shall not be used.
2. Liquid- or solid-fueled lighting devices containing more than 8 ounces (236.6 ml) must self-extinguish and not leak fuel at a rate of more than  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) if tipped over.
3. The devices or holder shall be constructed to prevent the spillage of liquid fuel or wax at the rate of more than  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) when the device or holder is not in an upright position.
4. The device or holder shall be designed so that it will return to the upright position after being tilted to an angle of 45 degrees from vertical.

**EXCEPTION:** Units that self-extinguish if tipped over and do not spill fuel or wax at the rate of more than  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) if tipped over.

5. The flame shall be enclosed except as follows:
  - 5.1 Openings on the side shall not be more than  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch (9.5 mm) diameter.
  - 5.2 Openings on the top and the distance to the top shall be such that a piece of tissue paper placed on the top will not ignite in 10 seconds.
6. Chimneys shall be made of noncombustible materials. Such chimneys shall be securely attached to the open-flame device.

**EXCEPTION:** The chimney need not be attached to any open flame device that will self-extinguish if the device is tipped over.
7. Fuel canisters shall be safely sealed for storage.
8. Storage and handling of combustible liquids shall be in accordance with Article 79.
9. Shades, if used, shall be made of noncombustible materials and securely attached to the open-flame device holder or chimney.
10. Candelabras with flame-lighted candles shall be securely fastened in place to prevent overturning and located away from occupants using the area and away from possible contact with drapes, curtains or other combustibles.

**1109.8.3 Religious ceremonies.** When, in the opinion of the chief, adequate safeguards have been taken, participants in religious ceremonies are allowed to carry handheld candles. Handheld candles shall not be passed from one person to another while lighted.

**1109.8.4 Theatrical performances.** When approved, open flame devices used in conjunction with theatrical performances are allowed to be used when adequate safety precautions have been taken.