

## CLARK COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## COMBUSTIBLE GOODS LOAD-IN POLICY

This policy addresses a common request for stocking of combustible goods in buildings prior to having a certificate of occupancy for the building.

Clark County Fire & Hazard Prevention Services Division will allow load-in of combustible goods, including retail items, warehouse items, and furniture, provided the following conditions are met:

- 1. The owner must contact and obtain approval from Clark County Development Services Building Division prior to any combustible load-in.
- 2. A written request by the owner must be provided to Clark County Fire Department (CCFD) detailing the load-in operations of combustible goods. At a minimum, the narrative shall indicate the building areas where combustible load-in is proposed, the dates of the load-in operation, and the types and configuration of commodities to be stored. Storage of loaded combustibles shall not have characteristics, either due to the types of goods stored or due to the manner in which goods are stored, that will create a greater fire hazard than would normally be expected during occupancy.
- 3. The fire sprinkler system must be completed in the areas that house the combustible goods, in accordance with approved plans. CCFD inspection of fire sprinkler systems for the areas considered shall be complete prior to approval of load-in operations.
- 4. The permanent standpipe system, if applicable, must be completed in the areas that house the combustible goods, in accordance with approved plans. CCFD inspection of standpipe systems for the areas considered shall be complete prior to approval of load-in operations.
- 5. A fire pump system, if required for the fire sprinkler system and/or standpipe system, must be completed, in accordance with approved plans. CCFD inspection of fire pump systems for the areas considered shall be complete prior to approval of load-in operations. If temporary fire pump systems are proposed, a detailed plan for change-over from the temporary pump to the permanent pump shall be included in the narrative, including proposed dates of change-over, methods to minimize time when there is no fire pump service for the facility, and additional protection features provided during time of change-over to mitigate loss of the fire pump system.
- Monitoring of all fire sprinkler, fire standpipe, and fire pump systems must be provided to an off-site central station manned 24-hours a day, seven days a week, in accordance with approved plans. CCFD inspection of monitoring systems shall be complete prior to approval of load-in operations.

- 7. The enclosure of the areas housing the combustible goods, including the ceilings, walls, and doors (with active door closing mechanisms installed and operational) must be completed prior to approval of load-in operations.
- 8. Areas that are proposed for combustible load-in in accordance with this policy must be separated from other areas, which either are not completed or that are already occupied, by full-height and width non-combustible partitions.
- 9. For high-rise buildings, a minimum of one completed floor with active sprinkler systems, standpipe systems, fire pump systems, monitoring, and completed enclosure, including ceilings walls and doors, shall be provided immediately above the highest level proposed to house combustible goods. This floor shall be completely free of combustible goods, and systems shall have complete CCFD inspection of applicable systems prior to approval of load-in operations.