

Grill Safety at Residential Properties



Grills should never be used on balconies or under building overhangs.

There are many great reasons to enjoy a meal cooked outdoors on a grill, but barbecuing can be dangerous if proper care isn't taken. An average of 10 deaths and 160 injuries occur each year due to grilling accidents.¹

Your tenants may want to use grills on your property, but you can't always be there to monitor for safe behaviors. That's why it's a good idea for you to know the guidelines for safe grilling, and share them with your tenants before they put on that apron and start cooking.



A Heavy Cost

Fire departments respond to an average of 10,600 grilling fires each year, resulting in approximately \$149 million in direct property damages.¹



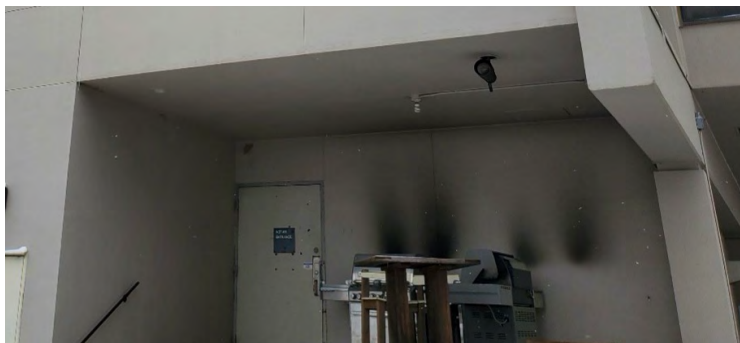
Beyond Property Damage Costs

This can result in significant damage, loss of rents, and time to clean up and renovate which can affect multiple units.



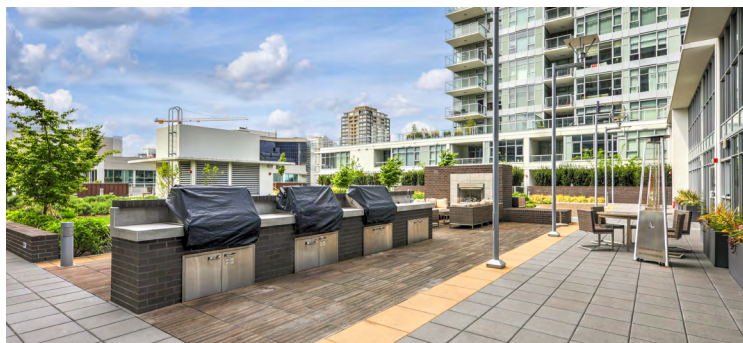
Take it Outside

Use grills in designated outdoor areas only. Grill use indoors or in other enclosed spaces can trap toxic smoke and gases.



Keep Grills Away From Structures

Keep working grills at least 10 feet away from structures such as garages, carports, and decks, as well as overhead obstructions such as awnings and trees.



Communal Grills

Communal grills should be well maintained, have timers, and must be kept away from combustibles and combustible structures including overhangs.



Balconies: Grills Not Allowed

Final Note: Grills of any kind (even stored grills) should never be allowed on balconies.

¹ "Home Grill Fires," NFPA