



# Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department

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## SEASONAL CHRISTMAS TREE & PUMPKIN PATCH LOTS

### OVERVIEW

This guide summarizes fire, planning, and building requirements for seasonal Christmas Tree Lots and Pumpkin Patches operating in the Cities of Livermore and Pleasanton. All operations must comply with the 2025 California Fire Code (CFC) as adopted locally, the California Building Code (CBC), and applicable municipal codes.

### PERMITS REQUIRED

Operational Permit – Christmas Tree or Pumpkin Patch Lot (CFC §105.5.33)

Tent Permit – Required for tents/canopies ≥400 sq. ft. (CFC §105.5.51)

Electrical Permit – Temporary power (California Electrical Code)

Flammable Liquid / Flocking Plan (CFC §105.5.18)

Business License – Required by respective City Municipal Code

Planning/Zoning Clearance – Temporary Use Permit may be required per City Zoning Code

### LOCATION REQUIREMENTS (CFC §315, §503, §507) \*

Requirement	Standard	Code Reference
Clearance from Lot Lines	Minimum 10 feet	CFC §315.4
Storage Under Building Projections	Fire Sprinklers Required	CFC §315.4.1
Hydrant clearance	Minimum 3 feet	CFC §507.5.5
Fire lanes	Must remain unobstructed	CFC §503

\* Consult additional handouts and/or requirement documents for other activities

### GENERAL FIRE SAFETY (CFC §304, §308)

Smoking prohibited; NO SMOKING signs required (CFC §310).

Open flame prohibited unless approved (CFC §308).

Combustible debris must be removed (CFC §304).

Decorative straw/hay must be ≥10 ft from exits and approved (Chapter 10)

### FIRE EXTINGUISHERS (CFC §906)

Area	Minimum Rating	Code
Sales Area	2A:10B:C	CFC §906.3
Work/Flocking Area	2A:10B:C	CFC §906.3
Each Tent/Canopy	2A:10B:C	CFC §906.3
Travel Distance	≤75 feet	CFC §906.1

## ELECTRICAL SAFETY (CFC §603)

Electrical permit and inspection required.

Generators ≥20 ft from structures (CFC §3108.15).

Extension cords ≤75 ft; minimum 16-gauge; no splices; no series connections (CFC §603.8).

## EXITS & AISLES (CFC Chapter 10)

Requirement	Minimum Standard	Code
Number of Exits (enclosed)	Minimum 2	CFC §1006
Exit Width	36 inches clear	CFC §1010
Exit Separation	½ diagonal	CFC §1007
Aisle Width	36 inches	CFC §1018

## STEPS TO OBTAIN PERMIT

Steps	Steps for Permit	City of Livermore	City of Pleasanton
1	Obtain Business License	<a href="#">Business License</a>	<a href="#">Business License</a>
2	Submit City Planning/Zoning	<a href="#">Online ACA Portal</a>	<a href="#">Online ACA Portal</a>
3	Submit <a href="#">Fire Permit Application</a>	14 days Prior to Event	14 days Prior to Event
4	Pay Fire Permit Fee	See Master Fee Schedule	See Master Fee Schedule
5	Schedule <a href="#">Set-Up Inspection</a>	48 hours prior to set-up	48 hours prior to set-up

Applicants are responsible for coordinating with the respective Planning and Building Departments to determine site-specific zoning, business license, and building permit requirements.

## PRE-OPENING CHECKLIST

Item	Complete
Business License Obtained	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning Clearance Obtained	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operational Permit Obtained (CFC §105.5.33)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tent Permit (if ≥400 sq ft)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electrical Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>
Site Plan Submitted	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire Extinguishers Installed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exits Marked & Unlocked	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inspection Scheduled	<input type="checkbox"/>

Contact LPFD Fire Prevention Bureau prior to opening for required inspection.