



Williamson County  
Emergency Services District No. 4  
Liberty Hill Fire  
Department  
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## Annual Business Fire Inspection Program

The National Fire Protection Association (N.F.P.A.) keeps track of how many fires and direct property damage occur each year in the United States. In 2016 there were 104,000 non-residential fires that occurred. There were 150 civilian deaths and 1,650 civilian injuries in non-residential structures. There was \$436 million dollars in direct property damage, in non-residential structures, as a result. A fire cannot only affect you; it can have an effect on the local economy. We are here to keep you safe and in business.

The goal of the Fire Marshal's Office is to reduce the number of fires that occur through an active education and inspection program.

WCESD No. 4- Liberty Hill Fire cares about the safety of your employees and customers. The economic loss that could occur from a fire can be significant. Prevention is the key to safe working environment. In the coming months the Fire Marshal's Office is planning to conduct a fire inspection of every business inside the Emergency Service District (ESD), at no charge. These inspections are meant to be educational and not punitive. Below is a self-check list to help you prepare for this inspection. If you would like the Fire Marshal's Office to come out sooner, please call 512-515-5165 to schedule an appointment.

### Self-Check List

These are some of the common items that are reviewed during a routine fire inspection. If you have a question(s) please contact us at 512-515-5165.

**Address:**

- Is it clearly marked and recognizable from the street? Four inches high with a minimum of .5 inch stroke.
- Fire lanes clearly marked?

**Fire Protection Systems:**

- Current inspection tag on Fire Extinguisher?
- Batteries in smoke detector, changed within a year?
- If a fire alarm system is present, does it have a current inspection?
- If sprinkler system present, does it have a current inspection?



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**Exits:**

- Exit lights work on battery back-up?
- Egress lighting, if present, work on battery back-up?
- Exit doors unlocked and properly working?
- Exit free from obstruction?

**Storage:**

- Storage 24 inches from ceiling if not sprinklered. If sprinklered 18 inches from ceiling?
- Combustibles cannot be store in boiler, mechanical or electrical equipment rooms.

**Electrical:**

- Extension cords in good shape.
- Extension cords not running through walls, ceilings, or floors?
- Extension cords not use as permanent wiring.
- Appliances plugged into directly into the wall socket or a rated surge protector.
- Electrical panels have 36 inches of clearance?

**Emergency Planning:**

- Do you have a fire safety plan?
- Are employees trained in this plan?
- Are fire drills conducted frequently?

**Hazardous Materials:**

- Hazardous materials properly labeled?
- Hazardous material properly storage?
- Flammable liquids properly used and stored?

If you would like to the Fire Marshal's Office to perform a fire inspection sooner, please call 512-515-5165 to schedule an appointment.

Please feel free to contact us with any concerns or questions.