

CODIFIED FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR GANESH FESTIVAL / NAVRATRI FESTIVAL & OTHER RELIGIOUS FESTIVAL

1. The temporary structure i.e. stage/pandal shall be at least 10' away from any building.
2. Approach road, internal passage, entrance gate , open space shall be kept free from any obstructions .
3. No temporary structure shall be erected near furnace, railway line, electrical sub-station, chimney or under high tension wire or like hazard unless a safety distance of 15 m is maintained.
4. The temporary structure shall be approachable to fire engine. No part of temporary structures shall be more than 45 m away from the motorable road.
5. No any stalls shall be permitted inside the permitted area of temporary structure.
6. Display Boards en-marking 'No smoking', 'Exit', 'Emergency Exit' and 'Escape way', etc. shall be displayed conspicuously on the premises.
7. Nothing shall be stored below and nearby the stage.
8. Carpet if provided shall be properly secured to the ground, and shall be treated with fire retardant paint.
9. The materials for such constructions shall preferably be of non-combustible or fire resistant type. The materials used for the decor shall be such that it shall not generate toxic smoke/fumes. Wherever materials of combustible nature are used these shall be treated with a fire retardant material/paint & the certificate to that effect shall be submitted by the Organiser along with the self -declaration regarding compliance of the said requirements.
10. The entire electric wiring shall be laid as per prevailing Electricity Act & Rules & the compliance certificate to that effect from Govt. Approved Electrical Inspector shall be submitted by the Organiser along with the self-declaration regarding compliance of the said requirements.
11. Provision of emergency lighting shall be made on the premises by the Organiser in case of Electric power failure.
12. Wherever Diesel Generator Van is provided, it shall be at least 05 mtrs. away from the temporary structure.
13. Electric main switch board shall be installed in an A.C. or G.I. sheet enclosure at least two meters away from the temporary structure and a red pilot lamp shall be provided in electric main board.
14. No part of bulbs, tube lights, flood lights, etc. shall be within 15 cms of any decorative or other combustible material in the structure/pandal.

15. A distance of not less than 4.5 m outside of any temporary structure shall be kept clear of all combustible materials or vegetation and any materials obstructing the movement. Storage of combustible materials like paper shavings, straw, flammable materials, explosives, chemicals and similar materials shall not be stored inside & near any temporary structure.
16. Smoking, cooking, heating and use of naked flame (except permitted) and display of Fire Crackers in and around the temporary structure shall be strictly prohibited.
17. No open fires shall be permitted near stage area. However small controlled fire proposed for religious purpose such as 'havan', etc., shall be away from any combustible enclosures and curtains. The roof above such places shall be of C.I./G.I. sheets at a height not less than 6 m.
18. The lighted sweet-oil lamp in front of Ganesh Idol shall be kept on the sand-bed of a radius more than the height of a lamp (at least 1.5 times) and volunteer shall be present round the clock in the vicinity.
19. Organiser must appoint Fire Marshal / Fire warden from amongst the members of organisation who is acquainted with summoning the fire-brigade, evacuation procedure & fire-fighting. He should wear designated uniform such as fluorescent jacket / Arm band, cap & badge easily identifiable by citizens. He should also possess a whistle to alert devotees/visitors/guest in case of emergency. Organiser must ensure that Fire Marshal / Fire warden is present all the time during the festival period. His name/s & contact details must be submitted to this department.
20. Adequate number of security guards/volunteers shall be posted at the site those who have knowledge of using fire extinguishers, evacuation of the said premises and summoning of FIRE BRIGADE in case of emergency.
21. Organiser shall provide Public Address system on the premises & a responsible person shall take charge of the same during emergency to guide the crowd for early & safe evacuation.

22. FIRE FIGHTING ARRANGEMENTS:-

A) For proposed Stage:

1. For Stage area up to 20 sq. mtrs.:

One No. of Water type extinguisher of 09 litres capacity & One No. of Dry Chemical Powder extinguisher (ABC type) fire-extinguisher of 09 kgs. capacity having BIS certification shall be provided on/near the stage.

2. For Stage area above 20 sq.mtrs. upto 50 sq. mtrs.:

- a) Two Nos. of Water type extinguishers of 09 litres capacity each & shall be provided on/near the stage.
- b) For protection of electrical installation, Two Nos. of ABC Dry Powder extinguisher of 09 kgs. capacity each shall be provided for each switch gear/main meter room and stage area.

3. For Stage area above 50 sq.mtrs.:

- a) Three Nos. of Water type extinguishers of 09 litres capacity each shall be provided on/near the stage.
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B) For proposed Pandal:

1. Two Nos. of Water type extinguisher of 09 litres capacity & 01 no. of ABC Dry Powder type extinguisher of 09 kgs. capacity per 100 m² of floor space shall be provided in/near temporary structures evenly distributed.
2. Organiser shall make Water Provision for fire-fighting at the site in the form of drums/barrels coupled with buckets.

C) For Electrical installation:

Two nos. of ABC Dry Powder type extinguisher of 09 kgs. capacity having BIS certification shall be provided for each switch gear/main meter room/box .

23. Temporary erection shall be dismantled immediately after the festival programme is over.

Note:-

- (i) These remarks are offered from fire risk point of view only, without prejudice to legal matters pending in the court of law, if any, and necessary permissions/clearances shall be obtained from The Commissioner of Police, Municipal Ward Authority & other concerned Authorities, as per rules applicable.
- (ii) MCGM/Fire Brigade dept. reserves the right to change/alter/add/delete the terms and condition of these fire safety remarks as per the situation permits.
- (iii) The self-certified declaration about compliance of fire safety measures shall be submitted by the applicant/organiser to the Ward Authority & it will be sole responsibility of Organiser to comply with all the fire safety measures as per the provision in Section 3(3) of Maharashtra Fire Prevention & Life Safety Measures Act-2006.