



Winnipeg Fire Department

Fire Prevention Branch

Guideline

Process for Display Vehicles Inside Buildings

Vehicles are displayed inside buildings for a variety of reasons including advertisement marketing, promotional events, and decorative display. When displayed inside buildings and structures, they create a unique fire safety concern because of the types and amounts of fuel these vehicles can contain. Regardless of the reason for the display they can be potentially hazardous to the occupants of a building or structure if not displayed in a safe and approved manner.

Vehicles on display inside a building must have:

➤ **Criteria:**

- Batteries shall be disconnected unless it impacts the vehicle electronic systems. Fuel-electric hybrid vehicles shall be safeguarded to prevent operation of the vehicle.
- Fuel tanks shall contain a minimal amount of fuel not exceeding One-quarter (1/4) tank or 19L, whichever is less.
- All vehicles tanks and fill openings shall be closed and sealed in an approved manner to prevent tampering and the potential escape of fuel vapours.
- Fueling or de-fueling of vehicles shall be prohibited inside the Building.
- Operation and/or repair of vehicles shall be prohibited inside the building.
- A minimum of one 2A:20B: C Fire extinguisher shall be provided within 50 feet of any vehicle on display.
- Winnipeg Paramedics & Fire Services require all keys, along with the location, from vehicles be left with building management in case of emergency.

Please note that alternative fuels may present special hazards that will be addressed on a case by case basis.

For further information please contact Fire Prevention at 204-986-7551.