



- **NEVER** cook inside a garage, a covered porch or under a canopy covered patio.
- **NEVER** use on a balcony
- As part of annual maintenance check grill for sticky valves and rust.
- Replace worn parts.



STAY SAFE IN SUMMER!

**Follow these safety hints and
Bon Appétit!**

A FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE FROM
THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY
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**PROPANE
BARBECUE
GRILLING
SAFETY**



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Four out of five families in the US now own a grill. Most people barbecue at least once a week throughout the summer months. The number one choice for consumers is the propane grill with a cylinder. The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and your local fire service suggest the following ways to keep fire safe.



GRILLING HINTS

- Before connecting propane, check for leaks with a 50/50 solution of liquid soap and water.
- Keep lid open when starting.

BARBECUE SAFETY

- **DO NOT** use matches or a lighter to check for leaks.
- **NEVER** use a fluid designed for a charcoal grill.



- **DO NOT** allow children to tamper with the cylinder or the grill.
- When finished turn off burner controls and close cylinder valve.
- Cover grill to prevent connector corrosion.

CYLINDER CARE

- Always store cylinders outside, in the upright position and **NEVER** inside.
- After fill up or exchange go directly home, valve closed and capped in a ventilated vehicle.
- **NEVER** store, use or transport near high temperature.
- On refills-exchanges have supplier check cylinder for damage, rust, dents or leaks.
- Keep the grill at least five feet from a combustible wall or fence.

In 2009 there were nearly 18,000 injuries nationwide involved in the use of gas fired and charcoal grills

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