

GAS SAFETY CERTIFICATES

Gas Safety Certificates are issued by Gas Safe fitters by the authority of the Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations and include fixed pipework. As you may expect, these regulations do not apply to 'portable appliances supplied with gas from a cylinder', with the exception of space heaters.

The alternative is for a Gas Safe fitter to use a Gas Safety Inspection Report which includes checking the CE Mark, the general condition of the appliance, and the circumstances of use at the time. It is, therefore, an 'in situ' inspection.

The decision of an event organiser is final and you must turn up with your barbecue in good condition and ready for inspection by a qualified gas fitter on site. In particular, make sure your rubber hose is dated less than five years old.

FLAME FAILURE DEVICES (FFD's or FSD's)

These are not mandated by BS EN 498:2012 (Barbecues for Outdoor Use) under which all BUFFALO OUTDOOR and CINDERS CLASSIC barbecues are EU Type Approved, CE Marked and meet all requirements when not used in an enclosed area.

The recent UKLPG Code of Practice 24, Pt3 for Commercial Catering Events supports this and exempts FFD's these barbecues under Gazebos with specific adequate ventilation. The Code, which was co-written by CINDERS, simplifies 'adequate ventilation' as an Open-Sided gazebo with a single back wall.

'FESTIVAL' Models

Whilst these models are the most popular due to their light weight and simple maintenance, some larger music festivals are banning all appliances without FFD's, even under Open-Sided gazebos.

For this reason alone, CINDERS have introduced low pressure 'FESTIVAL' models which also meet requirements for inside tented areas and build-ups. The addition of FFD's in robust housings means they are heavier and a bit more expensive but worth considering if you cater for vast numbers at such events.

BUFFALO PREMIUM models also contain FFD's making them suitable for this application.