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- **All displays with an open flame are required to have a fire extinguisher in the booth as well as caution sign(s) where applicable.**
- Any flame within a fire pit needs to be at least 24" - 30" from the edge of the fire pit/display to the flame itself. If this can't be achieved by rearranging the coils, rocks, etc. within the fire pit, the fire marshal may ask you to extend the border around the pit (*either building it wider/thicker than you already have it or in some cases building the border up higher*) or you may be asked to add a non-flammable fencing/barricade.
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