

12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS



**Southern
Christmas
Show®**

FIRE SAFETY RULE REGARDING EXTENSION CORDS

Attention Vendors:

For safety reasons, you may not use residential extension cords/power strips in your exhibit space. Items labeled “Household”, “Light Duty”, “Medium Duty”, or “Residential” are not acceptable.

All extension cords/power strips must be 3-pronged, and include a UL, CSA, or ETL safety listing. Extension cords/power strips should also be labeled “Heavy Duty”. Look in the product’s specifications for application and safety listing.

Why? Extension cords can be extremely dangerous... let alone a building with hundreds of them in use at the same time. The electrical currents flowing through the wires of extension cords generate heat, and when they exceed the current capacity of the wires, they will overheat. This can cause fires and short circuits.

Charlotte Fire Department will inspect each booth’s extension cords/power strips prior to show open and DAILY during the run of show.

If any non-compliant extension cord is found, it will be confiscated and disposed.

Charlotte Fire Department will continue to check your booth until it is compliant with appropriate cords and outlets needed based on your booth set-up. Refusal to comply will result in you being asked to leave the show.

Please take this policy seriously to help prevent a fire and ensure everyone’s safety.

Links to some approved items are below for your convenience. We will also have approved items available for purchase on show site. *(While supplies last)*

APPROVED EXTENSION CORDS

- o [Amazon 15-foot](#)
- o [Home Depot 25-foot](#)

Please adhere to the following reminders to help ensure a safe show:

1. **Do not** use an extension cord with signs of any damage or wear and tear.
2. **Do not** hook into your neighbor’s extension cords or electrical box. This may cause an overload.
3. **Do not** place extension cords underneath materials. (i.e. – décor, carpet, boxes, etc.)
4. **Do not** daisy chain (connect) extension cords together.
5. **Do not** plug surge strips into extension cords. They should also be plugged directly into your power source.

WHEN IN DOUBT READ THE PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS. SEE EXAMPLE BELOW:

SPECIFICATIONS			
AC Voltage	125-volts	Number of Outlets	1
Water Resistant	✓	Warranty	30-day
NEMA Configuration	NEMA-5-15-P	CA Residents: Prop 65 Warning(s)	⚠ Prop 65 WARNING(S) -
Number of Conductors	3	Cord Thickness	1/2-in
Overload Protection	×	Safety Listing	ETL safety listing
Use Location	Indoor/Outdoor	Application	General purpose
Length Measurement	10-ft	GFCI Protection	×
Cord Letter Designation	SJTW	Color/Finish Family	Yellow
Jacket Material	Vinyl	Cord Rating	Heavy duty
Number of Prongs	3	Weather Resistant	✓
Indicator Light	✓	Amperage	15