

Redmond Winterization Guidelines & Grant Update Q&A



Redmond Winterization Guidelines Q&A:

Is a permit still required for a tent covering an existing Sreatery if it is less than 400 sq. ft.?

Current code seems to indicate it is not. Though administrative review will confirm that safety standards, protocols, and other measures are being implemented. Administrative review also involves the required Emergency Plan and Emergency Contact Information.

Will propane heaters be allowed if proper clearance from tents is maintained and all tent surfaces are fire resistant?

Answers were provided at the same time as the most recent WA Safe Start changes took place. Because the Governor's recent orders address heaters, we included language within the permit packet that defers to state requirements. City staff will monitor for subsequent updates to the requirements.

Electrical heaters provide much less heat compared to propane. Therefore you would need multiple electrical heaters to heat the space. This would require multiple extension cords, use of different circuits within the source building, and possible electrical work. This creates a hazard in itself – are there regulations in place?

Please refer to Governor's recent orders and any subsequent updates for [statewide requirements](#).

We were told by the tent rental company that natural gas heaters were allowed with 3' clearance. Just not propane. Is that not correct?

Please refer to Gov's recent orders and any subsequent updates for statewide requirements.

Do we have to go through Redmond Town Center if we are tenants there or can we apply for the grant and permits directly?

You can apply for permits directly and have a RTC representative sign the application or they can submit on your behalf.

Do winterization efforts for day care facilities and other non-dining type facilities require permitting?

It would depend on if the winterization was for tents and if it was in a public right of way or parking area. Also, depending on structure type. The permit packet outlines what triggers a permit. A 200sf popup tent on a patio area for example would not likely result in a permit.

Redmond Winterization Reimbursement Grant Q&A

Can these funds be used for winterization that has already happened?

Yes, it can be.

What about reimbursement for ongoing expenses such as tent rental? Should we request the rental company bill us in advance through the spring?

Yes, any payments you have made or billed already, but not future charges.

What kind of expenditures can daycare providers get reimbursed for winterization of outdoor play areas?

Any expense directly related to winterization. Cost for gloves, tents, heating, outdoor activities for the winter might be some. They need to be triggered and related to the pandemic and expanding outdoor operations.

Just to confirm is the Redmond Small Business Resiliency Grant - phase 2 application is the same as the winterization grant application?

No, they are two separate grants available. The Redmond Small Business Resiliency Grant Program Phase 2 is an expansion on the existing program and prioritizes home-based organizations. This grant closed on Monday, November 23rd. Recipients of the earlier Redmond Small Business Resiliency Grant Program (now called Phase I) were not eligible to apply.

Can the new Winterization Reimbursement Grant funds be used for winterization that has already happened?

Yes, it can be. The grant reimburses winterization expense made from March 15 – November 30, 2020. Receipts are required.