

A Kitchen Exhaust System Checklist

The items listed below are the most common reasons that fire marshals give out fines or, worse, kitchen fires erupt. Answer each statement as true or false about your kitchen, and prevent this game from turning into a game of truth *or dare*.

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) My filters aren't damaged or missing.			
) My duct work is welded.			
) My duct work is made with the right gauge steel.			
) My exhaust fan is operating properly.			
) My exhaust fan has hinges.			
> The wiring on my fan isn't worn or damaged.			
There is no excess grease collecting at or near the base of my fan.			
) There is no excess grease collecting in my exhaust system.			
) All areas of my exhaust system can be easily accessed.			
) My access doors meet NFPA code.			
) The electrical outlets and lights in my hood are working.			
There is balanced air movement throughout my exhaust hood.			
) My hood's belts aren't loose or damaged.			
) My system isn't malfunctioning.			
) My cooking equipment is clean and in good condition.			
) My hood inspection sticker says when my exhaust system should be cleaned next.			
) My cleaner can and does access my roof with each visit.			
) My exhaust system cleaner sends more than one person to do the job.			
) My exhaust system cleaner gives me before and after photos.			
> My exhaust system cleaner is certified by IKECA.			
) I didn't choose my exhaust system cleaner because it was the cheapest option.			



Seeing more false than true? Too many things you don't know? Your system is at risk.