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NEW!

YOUR COMMERCIAL COOKING EXHAUST (RANGEHOOD) DECALS ARE CHANGING!



RANGEHOOD DECALS

WHY DO COMMERCIAL COOKING EXHAUSTS (RANGEHOOD) NEED DECALS?

The NYC Fire Code requires the periodic inspection and cleaning of Commercial Cooking Exhaust Systems and other commercial cooking equipment that generate grease-laden vapors. Rangehood decals contain important information about the Commercial Cooking Exhaust Cleaning.

WHY ARE RANGEHOOD DECALS CHANGING?

NYC Department of Investigations (DOI) discovered several rangehood cleaning companies engaged in illegal activities. New rangehood decals will verify you hired an FDNY approved company.

WHAT WERE THE PROBLEMS WITH THE OLD RANGEHOOD DECALS?

Old Rangehood decals varied in size, shape, color and material which meant they could be easily counterfeited. In addition, they were harder to understand and identify for the FDNY and the public.

WHAT DOES THE NEW RANGEHOOD DECAL LOOK LIKE?

New Rangehood decals are standardized, with several new security measures. Only FDNY approved RANGEHOOD companies can provide these new decals to businesses. New rangehood decals are easily identifiable by the FDNY and the public.

WHAT MAKES THE NEW RANGEHOOD DECALS BETTER?

New RANGEHOOOD decals have the following security measures:

QR Code

Allows the public and the FDNY to access the FDNY approved company list.

- Metallic Colored UV Layer
- High quality and virtually impossible to copy.
- <u>Barcode</u>

Each decal will come with a unique serial number.

WHEN ARE WE GOING TO SEE NEW RANGEHOOD DECALS?

Starting November 15th, 2018

- New decals must be placed after service.
- Old rangehood decals that were placed for previous service are valid until their expiration date - but no later than February 14th, 2019.

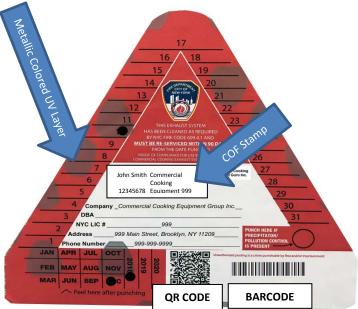
Starting February 15th, 2019

 FDNY will only recognize <u>new</u> rangehood decals, and will be issuing violations to businesses that don't have proper service compliance decals.

FAKE FAKE Security Feature is TOO DARK Security Feature is MISSING

HOW DO I TELL IF THE RANGEHOOD DECAL IS FAKE?

Fake decals (see image on right) will NOT have a high quality metallic UV layer, or the



metallic UV layer will be too dark.

CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS (COF) STAMP

WHAT IS A CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS STAMP?

RANGEHOOD cleaning company employees who PERFORMED the work need to use their COF stamp after performing the work.

Stamps will contain:

- Certificate of Fitness holder's full name;
- Certificate of Fitness number;
- Company name, ID and <u>may</u> have the company logo.

Work
Printer S-844

COF Stamp

John Smith Commercial Cooking 12345678 Equipment Group, Inc 777W

PFE QR Code

TIPS

HOW DO I CHOOSE A RANGEHOOD CLEANING COMPANY?

You can choose an FDNY approved company from the list provided at https://www1.nyc.gov/site/fdny/business/all-certifications/certificates-commercial-cooking-exhaust.page or scan the QR code (take a picture or download a free QR reader application) with your cell phone and ensure the company name is approved by the FDNY. The list of approved companies is updated every 30 days.

HOW DO I ENSURE THAT I ONLY HIRE AN FDNY APPROVED COMPANY?

Before service ask the company to show you the new rangehood Rangehood QR Code decal of compliance. Only FDNY approved companies can order the new decals and COF stamps. Scan the QR code before using the servicing company to ensure the company is still FDNY approved.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF THE SERVICING COMPANY IS STILL USING THE OLD DECALS?

You should inform the company that they MUST use the new rangehood decals. If they do not, hire a different company from the FDNY approved list.

WHAT RISKS DO I RUN IF I HIRE AN UNAUTHORIZED COMPANY?

First of all, you are risking your business, possessions, your customers, first responders, and the public. Secondly, you will receive violation(s). Further, if a fire occurs, your insurance company will deny any claims you make.

HOW DO I REPORT ILLEGAL ACTIVITY OR POSSIBLE FRAUD WITH THE SERVICE COMPANY?

You should IMMEDIATELY report any issues to the FDNY at 718-999-2533. You can also email: FDNY at pubcert@fdny.nyc.gov