Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) & Generator Safety Policy for Traders

1. Purpose of Policy

This policy sets out the requirements for traders using LPG and generators at markets and events organised by LSD Promotions. It ensures safety, legal compliance and a proportionate, enforceable framework.

The policy applies to all traders using LPG cylinders, gas appliances or generators at any LSD market or event.

2. Legal Framework

This policy reflects key UK legislation including:

- Health & Safety at Work Act 1974
- Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998
- Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999
- Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations (DSEAR) 2002
- Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005
- Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations (PUWER) 1998

3. Responsibilities

Traders are responsible for ensuring their LPG and generator equipment is safe, compliant and properly maintained. LSD will implement proportionate safety controls, carry out inspections and prevent unsafe setups from operating.

4. Mandatory Requirements

Each trader using LPG cylinders, gas appliances or generators **MUST**:

- Provide a valid Gas Safety Certificate when applying to trade on any LSD market or event
- Ensure LPG installations are completed by a competent Gas Safe engineer and provide LSD with the name of the engineer so we can cross check the Gas Safe database
- Ensure all equipment is safe and maintained
- Display required signage
- Comply with all instructions from LSD staff

5. LPG Cylinders

Each trader must ensure that LPG cylinders are:

- upright at all times
- secured to prevent falling (e.g. strapped or chained)
- cylinders are not free standing
- cylinders are protected from heat and damage
- Be positioned outside cooking areas where possible
- Safely isolated when equipment is unattended or not in use, including overnight on special events.
- LPG cylinders must be removed from the site overnight at all regular markets.

6. Hoses & Connections

Each trader must ensure that hoses and connections are:

- Suitable for LPG use
- In good condition
- Be securely connected and gas-tight
- Clipped correctly, purpose-designed LPG fittings are recommended, and jubilee clips are discouraged

7. Positioning & Separation

Each trader must ensure that:

- Appliances are safely positioned
- Are positioned approximately 600mm from gazebo fabric
- Are positioned approximately 1m from combustible materials where feasible

8. Fire Safety

Each trader must have the following on-site when trading with LSD:

- Suitable fire extinguishers
- Fire blanket

9. Signage

Each trader using LPG must ensure you display the following signage:

- Flammable gas sign
- No smoking sign
- Signage must comply with HSE safety sign standards and for further advice, please refer to HSE website or seek independent H&S advice.

10. Generators

Each trading using generators must ensure:

- Only super silent diesel generators are being used (petrol generators are strictly prohibited)
- Be positioned safely and well ventilated
- Not to be refuelled while running or hot
- Fuel must be stored safely
- Equipment must be maintained and free from defects

11. Inspections & Monitoring

LSD may carry out inspections at any time and traders must cooperate fully.

12. Unsafe Situations

If LPG or generator equipment is deemed unsafe traders must:

- Suspend trading immediately
- Rectify safety issues before trading continues
- In some cases, it may be necessary to suspend traders from continue to trade if the safety issues cannot be resolved during the event/market

13. Non-compliance

Failure to comply will be treated as a breach of the Trader Conduct Policy and may result in traders being suspended pending investigation and formal action being taken in accordance with the policy, up to and including termination of trading indefinitely.

LSD reserves the right to refuse or stop trading where LPG or generator use is unsafe or noncompliant.

14. Review

This policy will be reviewed periodically to reflect legal requirements and operational experience.