



GFSE Recirculating/Ventless Hood Approval Letter

Includes specific information for New York City installations requiring a Certificate of Approval (COA)

DATE: _____

Dear Customer: Thank you for your interest in *Giles Food Service Equipment*.

Orders for Ventless Recirculating equipment will not be accepted & processed until *Giles* has verified that the Customer/Owner/End-User is aware of the certain requirements which must be met prior to & during installation of the equipment and that the Customer/Owner/End-User has received all appropriate local approvals. For New York City an additional Fire Suppression permit (**not included in the Ventless Hood purchase price**) will also be needed for all NYC Ventless Hood installations. If so requested, *Giles* can assist customer with contacting an approved Ansul dealer/installer. **Presently, only the equipment models listed in the NYC specific section with COA numbers can be considered for installation in NYC.**

Please review the attached information to verify that the equipment being considered is suitable for the intended application.



Customer / Owner / End-User must read & initial each line item below & sign at bottom of each page where indicated to acknowledge your understanding ... ALL SIGNATURES MUST BE CLEAR & LEGIBLE



- _____ A conventional ventilation hood system should always be considered the first-choice ventilation solution.
- _____ Recirculating ventilation systems will not completely remove cooking aromas & effluents, as per UL listing & EPA 202 standard.
- _____ A recirculating system is a light-duty solution for low volume food preparation operations only when a conventional system is impossible due to physical, architectural or regulatory constraints, or impractical due to circumstance. A COA is required for NYC
- _____ **Integral** Type-1 fryer recirculating hoods require 300 sq. ft. (or more) of kitchen floor space per each installed hood.
- _____ **Non-Integral** Type-1 recirculating hoods (FSH-2, FSH-2A-99 & GVH-C/F) require 300 sq. ft. (or more) of kitchen floor space per each installed hood & a 10-ft minimum ceiling clearance over the entire kitchen area.
- _____ Sufficient fresh outdoor air make-up equal to 10 (MIN.) to 15 complete room air exchanges per hour (ACH) ... MOST CASES WILL REQUIRE 15 ACH. *If local code requirement is LESS than the minimum, then the range 10 min. to 15 ACH overrides code.*
- _____ **Not all Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)** [building, fire, health, etc.] allow use of Recirculating Hoods in their respective jurisdictions.
- _____ **Additionally**, local requirements may be more stringent than the manufacturer's UL listing requirements. The most stringent requirements shall always take precedent! Requirements of this document shall always override lesser requirements.
- _____ Any dispute arising from the sale, installation, operation, or performance of a ventless appliance/hood shall be governed by the laws of the state of Alabama and shall be resolved in the courts of the county of Montgomery in the state of Alabama.
- _____ *Giles* does not make representations as to proper design or layout of any establishment in which ventless appliances or hoods will be used. Further, *Giles* does not perform on-site inspections prior to order acceptance or installation for any of its equipment.
- _____ **GILES ENTERPRISES, INC., MAKES NO FURTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED INCLUDING IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND HAS NO OTHER OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY NOT SPECIFICALLY STATED HEREIN.**

By signing below, Customer/Owner/End-User affirms they have read, fully understand & agree to abide by these requirements and that their responses are accurate & truthful. Signature must be clear & legible ...

Customer/Owner/End-User Company Name (Print): _____

Customer/Owner/End-User Authorized Signature: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE INITIAL ALL ITEMS BELOW

_____ Ventless Hoods shall not be installed in open spaces (such as shopping malls)

_____ I have consulted with a licensed HVAC contractor/specialist & confirmed that the existing HVAC system can handle the heat load of any additional cooking appliance. Generally, 15 to 20% of the total appliance kW can be used to calculate the heat load.

_____ I am aware of the requirements for installation & use of the Giles Recirculating Hoods shown on **pages 4 - 7** and agree to follow these instructions. I further understand, failure to comply with these instructions will void Manufacturer's Warranty.

_____ I am aware that spaces in which Giles Ventless Systems are located shall be considered to be commercial kitchens with the minimums noted above. (Note: see limitations above)

_____ I have **ATTACHED** an Appliance Specification Sheet(s) for each appliance to be placed under the Giles Recirculating Hood(s), and further agree not to deviate at any time from the declared appliances while using the Giles hood(s).

_____ I have consulted with a licensed HVAC contractor/specialist & confirmed that the area where Giles Recirculating Hood(s) is to occupy & operate will meet all local codes & manufacturer's requirements for air quality, including capability of the existing on-site HVAC system.

_____ HVAC system outdoor air supply is required & must equal **ten (10) min. to fifteen (15)** complete room air exchanges per hour (ACH). **In most cases, the upper value of the range (15 ACH) will be required.**

_____ Building pressure should be higher than outside ambient, with kitchen pressure lower than customer seating, if separate. **Amount of outdoor air supply required by Local Code shall not be less than the 10 min. to 15 ACH above.**

_____ **I understand that Giles Recirculating Hoods require conscientious daily, weekly & monthly maintenance including the timely replacement of OEM disposable filters. Operation Manual describes all Manufacturer's requirements for proper Hood maintenance.**

_____ I am aware of Specific Appliance Criteria as noted on each Giles Recirculating Hood Spec Sheet and the Requirements for the ceiling height & square footage area of the "Kitchen" (See all pages of this document!).

My kitchen area is: _____ Ft. (Wide) x _____ Ft. (Long) x _____ Ft. (Clear Ceiling Height) = _____ Cu. Ft.

_____ I am aware of necessary compliance with Specific Requirements for the Fire Suppression system according to the Operation Manual ... Interlocked Appliances, Nozzles, Fusible Link rating, Suppressant Chemical ... See Operation Manual.

_____ **Semi-annual inspection of the Fire Suppression system & cleaning of the Hood by an authorized agent is required. (Should be scheduled during the fire inspection to limit additional down time)**

_____ Use and completion of the Daily Ventless Hood Maintenance Checklist (supplied with the Hood)

_____ Notify Giles of any adverse code violations or inspections related to the operation of the Ventless Hood

_____ Ventless Hoods shall not be located in the basement or cellar of any building.

_____ Ventless Hoods **shall not** be installed in any structure that is **NOT** protected by a building sprinkler system. Ventless Hoods **shall not** be installed where residential space is located above the installation site or application.

_____ I agree that the terms of this Approval Letter may not be altered by any inconsistent or contrary terms in a purchase order, contractor agreement, or otherwise.

_____ I agree that in no event shall Giles be liable to me or any third party, or otherwise responsible for any special or consequential damages including, but not limited to, lost revenue, lost profits, indirect cost arising from the purchase, sale, installation or use of equipment and that my sole remedy for any breach by Giles shall not exceed the purchase price or replacement of equipment purchased.

By signing below, Customer/Owner/End-User affirms they have read, fully understand & agree to abide by these stated requirements, and that their responses are accurate & truthful. Signature must be clear & legible ...

Customer/Owner/End-User Company Name (Print): _____

Customer/Owner/End-User Authorized Signature: _____

ALL NEW YORK CITY DOB plans approval are subject to the following additional restrictions:

- _____ DOB plans shall be docked (stamped & numbered) by the New York City Department of Buildings.
- _____ Ventless Hood shall not be installed in any non-fireproof building or non-sprinkled building.
- _____ Semi-annual inspection of the Fire Suppression system by an authorized agent (FDNY requirement) (Proper Links Used)
- _____ Use and completion of the NYC Daily Ventless Hood Maintenance Checklist (supplied with the Hood)
- _____ Ensure the COA (Certificate of Approval) sticker is placed in a conspicuous location on the Ventless Hood that will always be visible for code officials (AHJ).

Contact the local AHJ's (fire marshal, health department & building inspector) to confirm approval of a Recirculating Hood system for your intended application

**Please confirm by initialing all items above and completing the Customer information below. E-mail to: services@gfse.com
Fax to: 334.239.4117 ... mail to: Services - Giles Food Service Equipment; P.O. Box 210247; Montgomery, AL 36121-0247.**

NOTE: Failure to install any Giles Recirculating Hood in accordance with Manufacturer's instructions, the Hood listing or local AHJ requirements, whichever is more stringent, will void the Manufacturer's Warranty. (See all pages this document)

ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED FOR PRODUCTION UNTIL THIS COMPLETED DOCUMENT, WITH SIGNATURES & INITIALS OF BOTH PARTIES PRESENT & DATED AS INDICATED, IS RETURNED TO "GILES SERVICES"

Customer/Owner/End-User Company Name (Print): _____

Customer/Owner/End-User Authorized Signature: _____

Customer/End User/Owner Print Name of Authorized Signer: _____ Date: _____

By signing, Customer / Owner / End-User affirms this document has been fully explained to them & is understood regarding limitations, site requirements, required continuing owner maintenance activities necessary for using a Ventless Recirculating Hood, and that they have received a copy of this document, and further Customer / Owner / End-User agrees to hold Giles harmless for any claims, losses or damages resulting from failure to comply with all requirements stated herein.

Purchase Order #: _____ for _____ (Installation Site)

Should you need information for the approval process, please call us at 800.554.4537

Again, thank you for your business and your attention to this matter.

DEALER / RESELLER AFFIRMATION

Dealer/Reseller Company Name (Print): _____

Dealer/Reseller Authorized Signature: _____

Dealer/Reseller Print Name of Authorized Signer: _____ Date: _____

I acknowledge & affirm that I have presented this Hood Approval Form, in its entirety, to the Customer / Owner / End-User and have explained to all parties, in detail, all of the limitations & requirements relating to the installation & operation of a Ventless Recirculating Hood system, and have provided a copy of this document to both Customer / Owner / End-User & their designated Kitchen Equipment Installation Contractor. I also agree to defend & indemnify Giles for any claims, losses or damages resulting from its failure to do so.

Sincerely,

[Services@gfse.com](mailto:services@gfse.com)

Giles Enterprises, Inc.

800.554.4537 - Option 1

ELECTRICALLY HEATED EQUIPMENT ONLY

*** Refer to equipment specification documents located at www.gfse.com for "Appliance Constraints Criteria" ***

NON-INTEGRAL TYPE 1 HOODS Limited to low volume protein cooking only

FSH-2 (Standard open fryers up to 20K / Fryers W/O Auto-Basket Lifts)
Distance from ceiling (exhaust outlet): Recommended, (0"), (18" required for older Pre-diverter style units)
Minimum ceiling height: 90" (229cm) / (96" required for older Pre-diverter style units)
Distance from combustibles (Back, Top & Sides): (0")
Max Operating Fryer Temp: 350°
Fire suppression system: Ansul R-102 Wet Chemical system***

FSH-2A-99 (Auto Basket lift or Pressure Fryers up to 20K)
Distance from ceiling (exhaust outlet): Recommended (0")
Minimum ceiling height: 99" (290cm)
Distance from combustibles (Back, Top & Sides): (0")
Max Operating Fryer Temp: 350°
Fire suppression system: Ansul R-102 Wet Chemical system***

GVH- (C & F) (Fryers, Griddles/Grills, Ranges, Ovens, Toasters) **NO CHARBROILERS**
Distance from ceiling (exhaust outlet): Recommended, (0")
Minimum ceiling height: As low as 84" (213cm) with Countertop model setting on a 25" (64cm) table
82-3/16" (209cm) for Floor Stand model
Distance from combustibles (Back, Top & Sides): (0")
Mounting height above appliance: 19" (48cm) maximum from lower skirt edge to appliance heated area
Max Operating Fryer Temp: 350°
Fire suppression system: **Not included** (pre-piped for Ansul R-102 Wet Chemical system) **

INTEGRAL TYPE 1 HOOD Limited to low volume of protein cooking only

GEF & GBF-VH (Series) & WOG-MP-VH
Distance from ceiling (to exhaust outlet): Recommended, (0"), (18" required for Pre-diverter style units)
Minimum ceiling height: 91" (231cm) / (102" required for Pre-diverter style units)
Distance from combustibles (Back, Top & Sides): (0")
Max Operating Fryer Temp: 350°
Fire suppression system: Ansul R-102 Wet system***
Limited to low volume of protein cooking only

** Only the internal plumbing is included. The customer is responsible for contacting a Local Ansul Installer for permitting and final system installation. Not included in the Hood price.

*** The customer is responsible for contacting a Local Ansul Installer for permitting and final system installation that could include the cable, links, charging cylinder and suppression agent (an additional remote pull may be required). Not included in the hood price.

Appliance constraint criteria MUST be followed & MUST not exceed the listed maximums for any Giles Recirculating Hood!

NEW YORK CITY SPECIFIC GILES UNITS WITH COA NUMBERS

INTEGRAL TYPE 1 HOOD

Limited to low volume of protein cooking only

COA # 5715 GEF & GBF-VH (Series) and COA # 5664 WOG-MP-VH

Distance from ceiling (to exhaust outlet): Recommended, (0"), (18" required for Pre-diverter style units)
Minimum ceiling height: 91" (231cm) / (102" required for Pre-diverter style units)
Distance from combustibles (Back, Top & Sides): (0")
Max Operating Fryer Temp: 350°
Fire suppression system: **Not included** (pre-piped for Ansul R-102 Wet Chemical system only) **

NON-INTEGRAL TYPE 1 HOODS

Limited to low volume of protein cooking only

COA # 5711 FSH-2 & 2A-99

(Auto Basket lift or Pressure Fryers up to 20K)

Distance from ceiling (exhaust outlet): Recommended (0")
Minimum ceiling height: 99" (290cm)
Distance from combustibles (Back, Top & Sides): (0")
Max Operating Fryer Temp: 350°
Fire suppression system: **Not included** (pre-piped for Ansul R-102 Wet Chemical system only) **

COA # 5706 GVH- (C & F)

(Fryers, Griddles/Grills, Ranges, Ovens, Toasters)

NO CHARBROILERS

Distance from ceiling (exhaust outlet): Recommended, (0")
Minimum ceiling height: As low as 84" (213cm) with Countertop model setting on a 25" (64cm) table
82-3/16" (209cm) for Floor Stand model
Distance from combustibles (Back, Top & Sides): (0")
Mounting height above appliance: 19" (48cm) maximum from lower skirt edge to appliance heated area
Max Operating Fryer Temp: 350°
Fire suppression system: **Not included** (pre-piped for Ansul R-102 Wet Chemical system only) **

** Only the internal plumbing is included. The customer is responsible for contacting a Local Ansul Installer for **NYC** permitting and required final system installation. Not included in the Hood price.

**** FOR ELECTRICALLY HEATED EQUIPMENT ONLY ****

Limited to low volume of protein cooking only

NOTE: Refer to equipment spec sheets and NYC/COA Reports located at www.gfse.com for additional NYC information!

Appliance constraint criteria MUST be followed and MUST not exceed the listed maximums for any Giles Recirculating Hood!

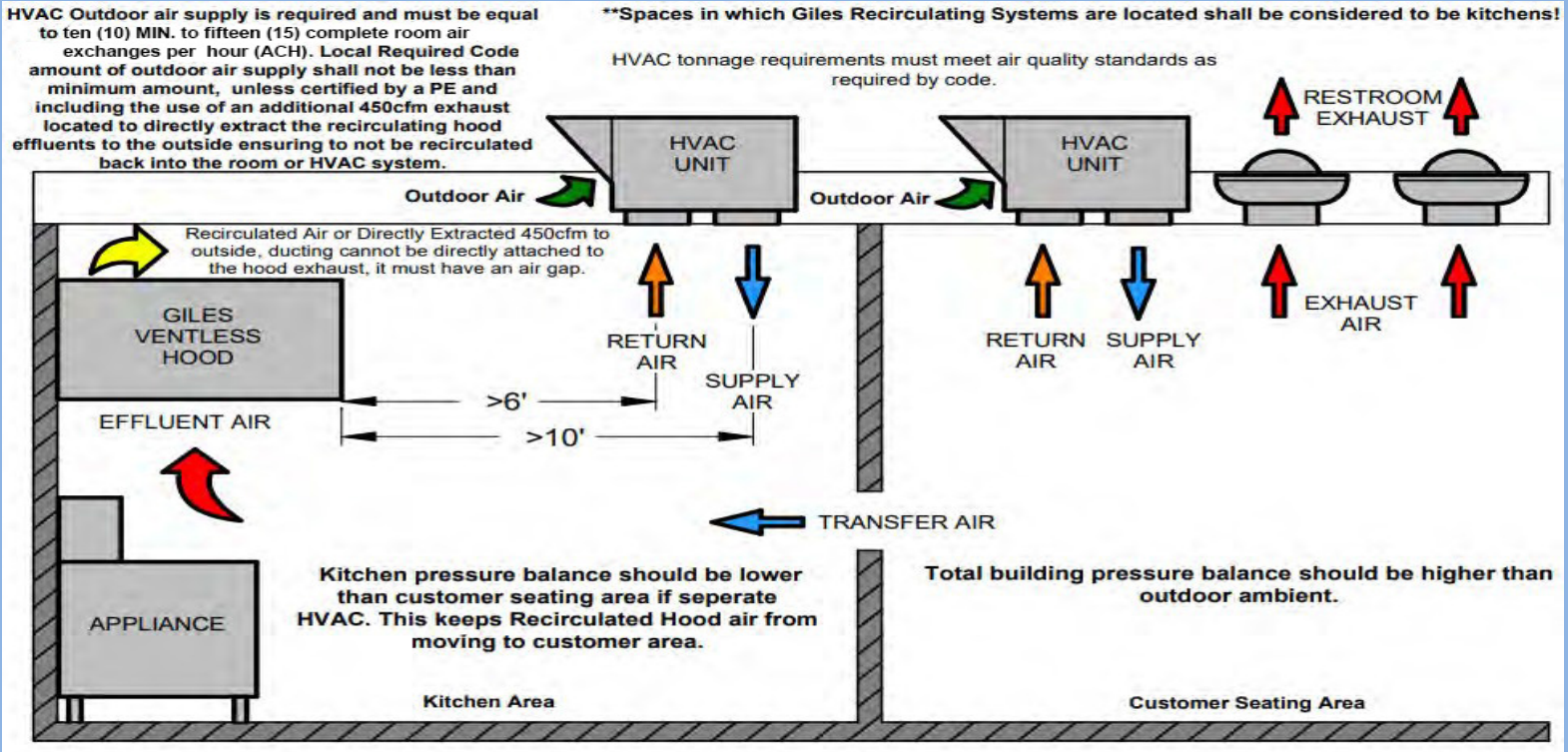
Failure to install any Giles Recirculating Hood in accordance with Manufacturer's instructions, the Hood listing or local AHJ requirements, whichever is more stringent, will void the Manufacturer's Warranty. (See all pages this document)

!! CAUTION !!

“Required” installation information for proper minimum installation of any Giles Recirculating Hood.

****For additional information, the complete Hood Approval Letter for this unit is inserted in the operations manual and also available on the Giles website. ****

NOTE: Failure to install any Giles Recirculating hood according to the manufacturer’s instructions and the listing of the recirculating hood will void the manufacturer’s warranty. Please contact Giles Customer Service at the # below with any questions.



****Drawing not to scale** Sample room set-up, minimum back wall length for the hood is 10 feet.**

The minimum ceiling height for each specific Giles Recirculating Hood must be maintained for the entire kitchen area.

Large Hoods must have minimum 118” ceiling to floor. See Spec sheet or Unit Operations Manual.

Other Requirements

NOTE: Spaces in which such systems are located shall be considered to be **kitchens**. **Additional** local requirements may be more stringent than the manufacturer’s UL listing requirements. Most stringent requirements always take precedent!

For the purpose of determining the floor area required to be ventilated;

Integral Type 1 recirculating hoods require >300 sq. ft. of kitchen. **Maximum** 1 hood per 300 sq. ft. of kitchen.

Non- Integral Type 1 recirculating hoods (FSH-2, FSH-2A-99, GVH-C/F) require >300 sq. ft. of kitchen. **Maximum** 1 hood per 300 sq. ft. of kitchen

Outdoor air ventilation through HVAC is required for areas in which Giles Recirculating Hoods are used. For Giles Recirculating hoods we require Outdoor air ventilation equal to **10 (MINIMUM) TO 15** complete air room exchanges per hour (ACH) ... most cases will require the upper end value of the range (**15 ACH**).

“Local Required Code amount of outdoor air supply shall not be less than the minimum amount.”

Recirculating Hood exhaust **shall not** be directed into a closed in or area above a false ceiling. ***Limited to low volume of protein cooking only***

***Outdoor Air** is required from the HVAC system.

**** Supply Air** brings conditioned air into the room. (At least 10 feet from the hood)

**** Return Air** takes air out of the room and normally has a filter just behind the panel, (at least 6 feet from the hood)

Do not place Return Air / Register within 6 feet of the hood

Proper Fire Suppression links by model must be used, with all appliances interlocked to the hood.

Improperly installed Recirculating Hoods could receive an air-quality infraction from the AHJ