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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Heads of Fire Departments  
**FROM:** Stephen D. Coan  
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**DATE:** September 1, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** Corn Mazes

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Enclosed is a brochure developed by the Department of Fire Services as an informational document regarding corn mazes, as our agency receives multiple calls each year about what regulations apply to corn mazes.

While there are no regulations that directly apply to corn mazes, there are broad statutes and regulations that would allow you to deal with situations that could lead to fire including M.G.L. Chapter 148, section 5 and 527 CMR 1.06.

This brochure is designed to bring about discussions between the local fire chief and corn maze operators to determine the safest approach to operating a corn maze, as each corn maze is unique and may meet some or all of these recommendations.

If you have any questions, please contact the Code Compliance & Enforcement Unit at (978) 567-3375 or in Western, MA at (413) 587-3181.