

Rivers Casino evacuated after kitchen fire; 1 taken to a hospital

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One person was taken to a hospital after Rivers Casino in Des Plaines was evacuated Sunday for a fire on the property.

Firefighters extinguished a blaze about 10 p.m. in the Hugo's Frog Bar kitchen cooking ventilation system and the rooftop, the Des Plaines Fire Department said in a statement.

One evacuated patron requested medical assistance and was treated and taken to Lutheran General Hospital with a non-life-threatening issue, the department said.

It was unclear if the injury was fire-related.

Damage was isolated to the kitchen hood and duct and a portion of the roof, the department said. There was also slight water damage.

A casino spokesman called it a "small late night kitchen fire." Guests and employees were evacuated from the casino.

"We thank the Des Plaines Fire Department for their quick work and for working with Rivers and the Illinois Gaming Board on our reopen plan," the casino said in a statement.

The casino reopened Monday morning but the restaurant remained closed, the fire department said.

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