



## FIRE SPRINKLER PLAN REVIEW



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### REFERENCES



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## IN-CLASS MATERIALS

### You:

IBC/IFC – 2021 edition  
NFPA 13: 2019  
Free viewer: [www.nfpa.org/13](http://www.nfpa.org/13)

### Calculator

•Phone, PC, or handheld

Your questions are important.

•Use this time to improve yourself.

### NFSA participant materials:

Participant Guide  
Checklists  
Shop drawings  
Calculations



Fire Sprinkler Plan Review  
Course

Checklists and Participant Guide



2019 NFPA 13



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## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

By the end of this program, you will be able to:

1. Apply the requirements of plans examination according to NFPA 13, building and fire codes.
2. Discuss the importance of a systematic review process.
3. Identify the documents required for a complete plan review process.
4. Evaluate the hydraulic calculations presented with a set of working plans submitted for review and approval.



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## MODULE 1 – INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

Fire Sprinkler System Plan Review



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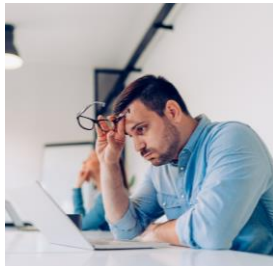
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## ASSUMPTIONS

Design code and judgements already made.  
Sprinklered building  
Start at shop drawings, cut sheets, calculations



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## WHAT IS A FIRE SPRINKLER PLANS EXAMINER?

Fire sprinkler plans examination is a process where the municipality or the authority having jurisdiction is obligated to examine a proposed fire sprinkler system and compare its proposed installation to the laws and ordinances enforced.



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## COMMON ACRONYMS FOR FIRE SPRINKLER PLANS EXAMINERS

- GPM – gallons per minute
- PSI – pounds per square inch
- FDC – fire department connection
- SDC – seismic design category
- SR – standard response
- QR – quick response
- CMSA – Control Mode Specific Application
- ESFR – Early Suppression Fast Response



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**MODULE 1 ASSESSMENT**



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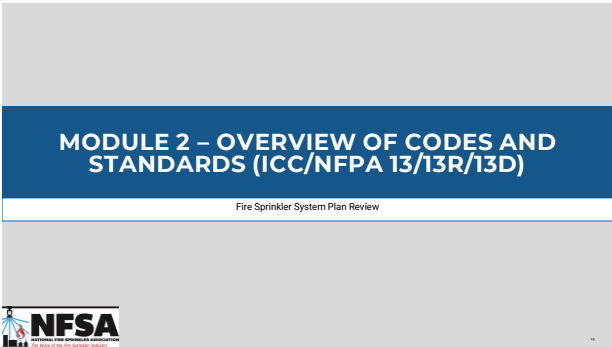
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**REVIEW REFERENCED STANDARDS**

**IBC**

- CHAPTER 30 ELEVATORS AND CONVEYING SYSTEMS
- CHAPTER 31 SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION
- CHAPTER 32 ENCROACHMENTS INTO THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY
- CHAPTER 33 SAFEGUARDS DURING CONSTRUCTION
- CHAPTER 34 RESERVED
- CHAPTER 35 REFERENCED STANDARDS**

**IFC**

- TABLE OF CONTENTS
- PART I—ADMINISTRATIVE
- PART II—GENERAL SAFETY PROVISIONS
- PART III—BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT DESIGN FEATURES
- PART IV—SPECIAL OCCUPANCIES AND OPERATIONS
- PART V—HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
- PART VI—REFERENCED STANDARDS**
- PART VII—APPENDICES

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## CODES AND STANDARDS

### Model codes

- Legally adopted – “what” must be done
- Does include some important sprinkler installation requirements.



### Standards

- Adopted by reference – “how” to do it



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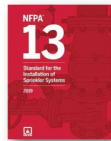
## NFPA 13 SCOPE

NFPA 13 is a sprinkler design and installation standard focused on both life safety and property protection for commercial and residential occupancies

**Scope:** Minimum requirements for the design and installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems and exposure protection sprinkler systems

**Purpose:** Reasonable degree of protection for life and property

- Covers design, installation and testing
- Based upon sound engineering principals, test data and experience



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## NFPA 13R SCOPE

NFPA 13R is a residential sprinkler design standard focused on low-rise residential occupancies

**Scope:** Design and installation of sprinklers in residential occupancies up to 4-stories and 60 ft in height

**Purpose:** Aids in control and detection of residential fires and provides:

- Improved protection “against injury and life loss, and property protection”
- Prevent flashover in room of fire origin (where sprinklered)
- Improve chance for occupants to escape or be evacuated



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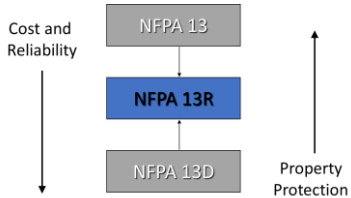
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## NFPA 13R - A STANDARD IN THE MIDDLE

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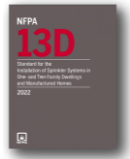
## NFPA 13D SCOPE

NFPA 13D is a residential sprinkler design standard focused on one- and two- family dwellings and manufactured homes. The intent is to provide an affordable sprinkler system in homes while maintaining a high level of life safety.

**Scope:** Design and installation and **maintenance** of sprinklers in one- and two-family dwellings, manufactured homes and townhouses

**Purpose:** Aids in control and detection of residential fires and provides:

- Improved protection "against injury and life loss"
- Prevent flashover in room of fire origin (where sprinklered)
- Improve chance for occupants to escape or be evacuated



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## INVESTIGATE IF EARTHQUAKE PROTECTION IS NEEDED

NFPA 13 says "how", not "where"

Building code generally says "where"

Based on Risk Category and possible forces

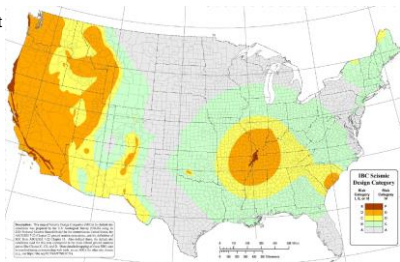


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## EARTHQUAKE PROTECTION DETERMINATION



- Model building codes reference ASCE 7, Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures
- ASCE 7 and Fire Sprinkler Systems
- Seismic Design Category (SDC)
- A & B are exempt
- C, D, E, and F need protection
- SDC is the same for the building and systems contained in the building.



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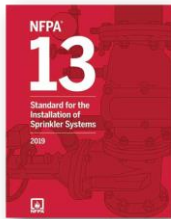
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## NFPA 13 – CHAPTERS 1-4

1. Administration
2. Referenced Publications
3. Definitions
4. General Requirements



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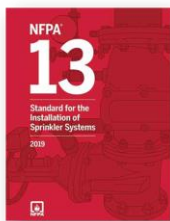
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## NFPA 13 - CHAPTER 4



Identifying the hazard  
Classification of:

- Occupancy hazards
- Stored commodities
- Pallet types



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**NFPA 13 - CHAPTERS 6-11**

- 6. Installation Underground Piping
- 7. Requirements for System and Hardware
- 8. System Types and Requirements
- 9. Sprinkler Location Requirements
- 10. Installation Requirements for Standard Pendent, Upright and Sidewall Spray Sprinklers
- 11. Installation Requirements for Extended Coverage Upright, Pendent and Sidewall Spray Sprinklers

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**NFPA 13 - CHAPTERS 12-15**

- 12. Installation Requirements for Residential Sprinklers
- 13. Installation Requirements for CMSA Sprinklers
- 14. Installation Requirements for Early Suppression Fast-Response Sprinklers
- 15. Installation Requirements for Special Sprinklers



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**NFPA 13 - CHAPTERS 16-19**

- 16. Installation of Piping, Valves, and Appurtenances
- 17. Installation Requirements for Hanging and Support of System Piping
- 18. Installation Requirements for Seismic Protection
- 19. Design Approaches



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**NFPA 13 - CHAPTERS 20-25**

- 20. General Requirements for Storage
- 21. Protection of High Piled Storage using CMDA Sprinklers
- 22. Protection of High Piled Storage using CMSA Sprinklers
- 23. ESFR Requirements for Storage Applications
- 24. Alternative Sprinkler System Designs for Chapters 20-25
- 25. Protection of Rack Storage Using In-Rack Sprinklers



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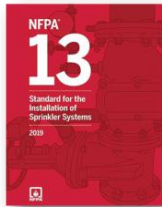
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**NFPA 13 - CHAPTERS 26-32**

- 26. Special Designs of Storage Protection
- 27. Special Occupancy Requirements
- 28. Plans and Calculations
- 29. System Acceptance
- 30. Existing System Modifications
- 31. Marine Systems
- 32. System Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance



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**ORGANIZATION OF NFPA 13 SECTIONS WITHIN CHAPTERS**



Within each chapter, information starts with the most general information and proceeds to the least general (most specific)

Most popular items are first followed by other items in descending order of popularity



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**EXAMPLE: CHAPTER 8 OF NFPA 13**



- 8.1 Wet Pipe Systems
- 8.2 Dry Pipe Systems
- 8.3 Preaction and Deluge Systems.
- 8.4 Combined...Systems...Piers
- 8.5 Multi-Cycle Systems
- 8.6 Antifreeze Systems
- 8.7 Systems with Non-Fire Connection
- 8.8 Exposure Protection...
- 8.9 Refrigerated Spaces
- 8.10 Cooking Equipment
- 8.11 Additives and Coatings

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**TYPES OF SPRINKLER SYSTEMS**

- Wet-pipe
- Dry-pipe
- Pre-action
- Deluge



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**WET PIPE SYSTEM**

- Most common
- Most reliable
- Least expensive
- Piping always filled with water
- Upon head activation, water is immediately discharged
- Each sprinkler activates independently by heat
- Cannot be used in areas subject to freezing



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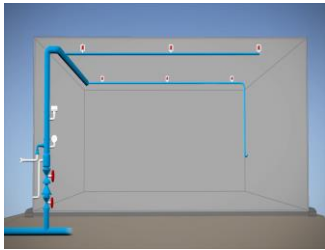
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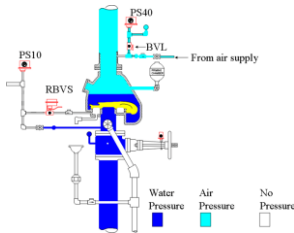
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### DRY PIPE SYSTEM

- Less common
- Piping always filled compressed gas above the dry-pipe valve
- Upon head activation, water is discharged after compressed gas
- Each sprinkler activates independently
- Designed to be used in areas subject to freezing



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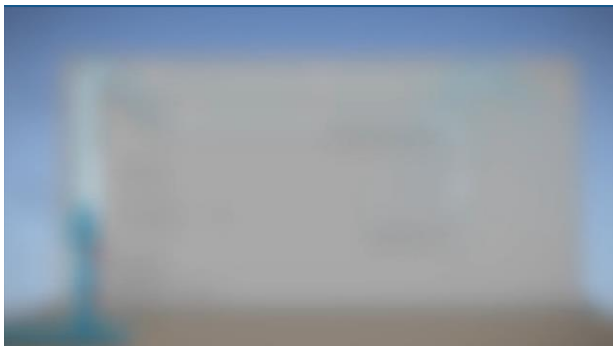
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**MODULE 2 ASSESSMENT**

Sprinkler Plan Review Assessment  
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**MODULE 3 – OCCUPANCY HAZARD & COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION CONSIDERATIONS**

Fire Sprinkler System Plan Review




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**CHECKLIST**

This modules covers several steps in the following checklists:

- Submittal checklist

Submittal Review Checklist		NFPA 101	NFPA 101B
101	Architectural plans	IBC 107.2.2	IBC 107.2.2
102	Owner's certificate	4.1.10.1.4	4.1.10.1.4
103	Water supply treatment	24.1.5	5.1.5
104	Drainage	21.1.1	21.1.1
105	Pipe check-in system	23.7	27.0
106	Hydraulic calculations	21.5	27.4
107	Water supply	33.2	4.4
108	Summary sheet	213.2.2	214.6.2
109	Graph sheet	213.2.3	214.6.3
110	Supply analysis	213.2.4	214.6.4
111	Pulse analysis	213.2.5	214.6.5
112	Ordnance worksheet	213.2.6	214.6.6
113	CPI sheets	21.1.4	27.1.4
114	Sprinklers		
115	Piping		
116	Equipment		
117	Triggers		
118	Manual tracking		
119	Codes and standards	IBC 107.2.1	IBC 107.2.1
120	Codes		
121	Standards		
122	Other		
123	Use group	IBC 101.1	IBC 101.1
124	Classification of hazards	5.1	4.3
125	Commodity	5.6	20.8
126	System protection area limitation	6.2	6.3




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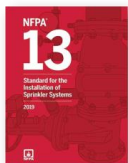
## OCCUPANCY HAZARD AND COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION

### IBC

Occupancy classification is the formal designation of the primary purpose of the building, structure, or portion thereof

### NFPA 13

Occupancy classification for this standard shall relate to sprinkler design, installation, and water supply requirements only



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## OWNER'S CERTIFICATE

**OWNER'S INFORMATION CERTIFICATE**

Name and address of property to be protected with sprinkler protection:

Name of owner:

Existing or planned construction is:

Fire-retardant or noncombustible

Flood frame or ordinary (ordinary walls with wood beams)

Unknown

Describe the intended use of the building:

Note regarding speculative buildings: The design and installation of the fire sprinkler system is dependent on an accurate observation of the likely use of the building. Without specific information, observations will need to be made that will bear the actual use of the building. Make sure that you communicate any and all use considerations to the sprinkler distributor in this form and that you adhere to all instructions regarding the use of the building based on the limitations of the fire sprinkler system that is specifically designed and installed in the system installation intended for use of the following special considerations:

Aircraft hangar  Yes  No

Flammable liquid storage  Yes  No

Flammable gas storage  Yes  No

Machine room, boiler room, or exhaust  Yes  No

Aircraft terminal  Yes  No

Aircraft engine test facility  Yes  No

Power plant  Yes  No

Welding shop  Yes  No

If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," the appropriate NFPA standard should be referenced for sprinkler application criteria.

Indicate whether any of the following special materials are intended to be present:

Permeable or combustible layers  Yes  No

Control products  Yes  No



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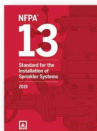
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## HIGH PILED STORAGE: WHAT IS IT?



### IFC

- Class I-IV Commodities: Storage height > 12 feet
- High hazard commodities: >6 feet



### NFPA 13

- Class I-IV commodities: Storage height > 12 feet
- Group A plastics: Storage height >5 feet



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## HIGH PILED STORAGE: WHAT IS IT?



- High Piled Storage: Storage of combustible materials closely packed piles of combustible materials on pallets, in racks, or on shelves where the top of the storage is greater than 12 feet in height.
- Where required by the FCO, high piled storage also includes high-hazard commodities...where the top of storage is greater than 6 feet in height

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## HIGH PILED STORAGE: FIRE PROTECTION



- See Chapter 32
- Fire protection: See Table 3206.2



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## NFPA 13: LOW-PILED STORAGE

•Solid-piled, palletized, rack storage, bin box, and shelf storage up to 12 ft in height (Section 3.9.1.17)



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## NFPA 13: MISCELLANEOUS STORAGE

- Storage that does not:
  - Exceed 12 ft. in height
- Incidental to another occupancy use group
- Does not constitute more than 10% of the building area or 4,000 sq. ft. of the sprinklered area, whichever is greater
- Does not exceed 1,000 sq. ft. in one pile or area, and is separated from other storage areas by at least 25 ft.



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## CODES VS. STANDARDS



- ✓ Storage Layout Floor Plan (2018 IFC) & Maintenance (2021 IFC)
- ✓ General Fire Protection & Life Safety Requirements
- ✓ Fire Department Access roads
- ✓ Fire Department Access Doors



- ✓ What is the Commodity Classification?
- ✓ How is it stored?
- ✓ What is the height of the storage?
- ✓ Building height?
- ✓ What type of sprinkler is being used?
- ✓ Special Commodity?



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## STORAGE VS. OCCUPANCIES



- STORAGE**
- Group S-1 Examples (Moderate Hazard)
    - Combustible
    - Furniture
    - Lumber
    - Bulk Storage of Tires
  - Group S-2 Examples (Low Hazard)
    - Non-combustible
    - Food Products
    - Metal Cabinets
    - Washers & Dryers

- NON-STORAGE ("Occupancies")**
- LH
  - OH 1 & 2
  - EH 1 & 2
- STORAGE ("Commodities")**
- Class I
  - Class II
  - Class III
  - Class IV
  - Group C Plastics (Class III)
  - Group B Plastics (Class IV)
  - Group A Plastics



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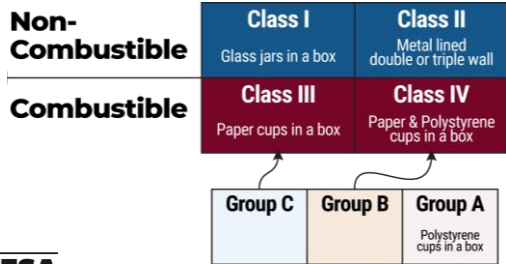
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**COMMODITY CLASSIFICATION**



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**MODULE 3 ASSESSMENT**

Sprinkler Plan Review Assessment  
Module 3



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**MODULE 4 – PIPING, EQUIPMENT, AND CUT SHEET REVIEW**

Fire Sprinkler System Plan Review



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## ABOVEGROUND PIPE: NFPA 13

•Review NFPA 13 Section 7.3.1 and Table 7.3.1.1



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## TYPES OF PIPE MATERIALS

- Steel Pipe
  - Black
  - Galvanized
  - Stainless
- Copper Tube
- Nonmetallic Pipe
  - CPVC
  - Polypropylene
  - PEX (NFPA 13D only)



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## VALVES: CONTROL VALVES

- Control
  - Turn systems on and off
- Directional
  - Allow water to flow in one direction
    - Check valves
    - Double check valves assemblies
    - Reduced pressure (zone) backflow prevention assembly (RP or RPZ)



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**VALVES: CONTROL VALVES**

- At least one for each water supply
- Must be listed
- Must be indicating
  - Outside Screw and Yoke (OS&Y) (a type of gate valve)
  - Post Indicator Valve (PIV) (also a type of gate valve)
  - Wall Post Indicator Valve (WPIV) (also a gate valve)
  - Butterfly Valves
- Shall NOT close in less than 5 seconds



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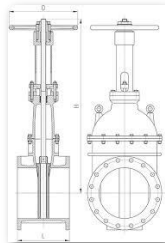
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**OS & Y VALVE**



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**POST INDICATOR VALVE (PIV)**



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## WALL POST INDICATOR VALVE (WPIV)



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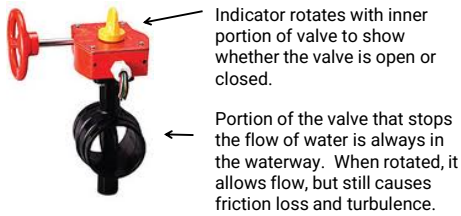
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## BUTTERFLY VALVE



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## CONTROL VALVES

- ✓ Quantity of valves required:
- ☑ ONE per system
- 🔥 ONE per floor if system is attached to hose valves for fire department use
- 👁️ Control valves installed overhead must have indicator visible from floor level
- ⚠️ NOTE: Permanently marked weatherproof identification signs are required for ALL control valves on sprinkler systems.



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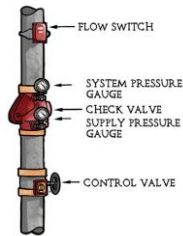
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## DIRECTIONAL VALVES

- Required on all systems
- Must be listed
- Must be installed horizontal or vertical according to their listing
- Alarm check valves are acceptable as directional valves
- Control valves shall be installed on each side of the directional valve when the system is served by multiple water supplies




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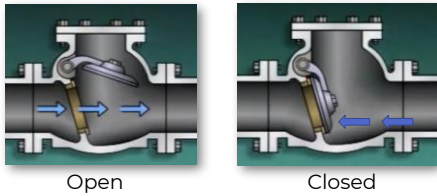
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## SWING CHECK VALVE




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## INTERNALLY LOADED CHECK VALVE CUT-AWAY




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**BACKFLOW PREVENTERS**



- Installed to keep the water in the sprinkler system from going back into the public water system
- Types:
  - Double Check Valve
  - Reduced Pressure Zone (RPZ)
  - Air Gap



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**BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY**



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**MODULE 4 ASSESSMENT**



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## MODULE 6 – BASIC OVERVIEW & INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS OF SPRINKLERS

Fire Sprinkler System Plan Review



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### CHECKLIST

This module covers several steps in the following checklists:

- Positioning checklist
- Design review checklist

Design Review Checklist

Section	Item	NFPA 13		NFPA 13-10	
		2015	2012	2015	2012
100	Water supply	10.1.1	10.1.1	10.1.1	10.1.1
101	Design/Install Location	10.2.1.1	10.2.1.1	10.2.1.1	10.2.1.1
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### BASIC REQUIREMENTS

Temperature Classification	Temperature Rating	Max Ceiling Temperature	Glass Bulb Color	Frame Color (Soldered Link)
Ordinary	135 – 170	100	Orange or Red	Uncolored or Black
Intermediate	175 – 225	150	Yellow or Green	White
High	250 – 300	225	Blue	Blue
Extra High	325 – 375	300	Purple	Red
Very Extra High	400 – 475	375	Black	Green
Ultra High	500 – 575	475	Black	Orange
Ultra High	650	625	Black	Orange



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## SPRINKLER SELECTION



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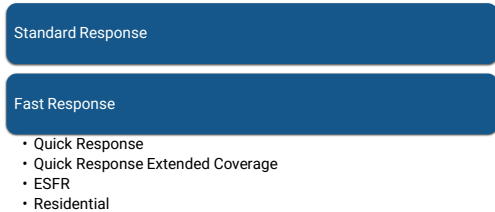
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## RESPONSE CHARACTERISTICS



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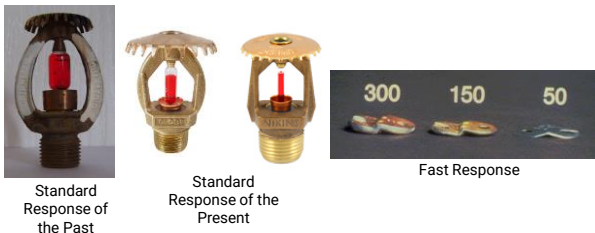
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## RESPONSE CHARACTERISTICS



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## RESPONSE LIMITATIONS

- Light Hazard must use quick response or residential sprinklers
- Existing systems (or modifications to existing systems) may use standard response
- Quick response is not permitted for Extra Hazard



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## DEFLECTOR STYLE

Sprinklers can be made to distribute water to different places with different droplet sizes.



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## APPLICATION OF STANDARD UPRIGHT AND PENDENT SPRAY SPRINKLERS

- Upright and pendent spray sprinklers are permitted in all:
  - Hazard classification
  - LH, OH, EH
  - Types of construction
    - Non-combustible
    - Limited combustible
    - Combustible
  - Obstructed
  - Unobstructed



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## APPLICATION OF SIDEWALL SPRINKLERS

- Light hazard
- Smooth, horizontal or sloped, flat ceilings
- Ordinary hazard
- Smooth, flat ceilings when listed.
- Overhead doors
- Not permitted to be installed back-to-back unless separated by a lintel or soffit.



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## UH OH!

- Sidewall sprinklers cannot be installed back-to-back without a lintel or soffit.
- Section 10.3.4.1.4



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## APPLICATION OF SPECIAL SPRINKLERS

- When evaluated and listed
- Window sprinklers
- Combustible concealed
- Attic sprinklers
- Institutional
- Conventional



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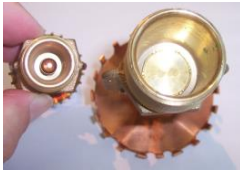
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## ORIFICE SIZE



K-5.6

K-25.2

Sprinklers are made in at least 13 different orifice sizes

• See Table 7.2.2.1 in NFPA 13

The larger the orifice, the easier it is for water to discharge from the sprinkler

Orifice sizes are described by using the term “k-factor”



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## SPRINKLER LEGEND AND CUT SHEETS

### SPRINKLER HEAD LEGEND

SYM	QNT	POSITION	FINISH	TEMP	K	NPT	S/N	MFG.	MODEL#	ESCUITCHEON
○	148	UPR	BRASS	155	5.60	1/2"	TY3131	TYCO	TY-FRB	N/A
▼	3	HSW	CHROME	200	5.60	1"	TY3335	TYCO	DS-1	STANDARD
										TOTAL: 51

**tyco** Wholesale Contacts | www.tyco-fire.com

**Series TY-FRB - 2.8, 4.2, 5.6, and 8.0 K-Factor Upright, Pendent, and Recessed Pendent Sprinklers Quick Response, Standard Coverage**

**General Description**  
In certain applications, although conventional sprinklers have been the standard, there have been a number of cases where the use of all purpose, quick response sprinklers has been recommended. This is due to the fact that these sprinklers are designed to respond to a fire in a shorter period of time than conventional sprinklers. This is due to the fact that these sprinklers are designed to respond to a fire in a shorter period of time than conventional sprinklers. This is due to the fact that these sprinklers are designed to respond to a fire in a shorter period of time than conventional sprinklers.

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**Series DS-1 Dry-Type Sprinklers 5.6K Pendent, Upright, and Horizontal Sidewall Quick Response, Standard Coverage**

**General Description**  
The Series DS-1 Dry-Type Sprinklers are designed for use in areas where the ambient temperature is below 54°F (13°C). They are designed to respond to a fire in a shorter period of time than conventional sprinklers. This is due to the fact that these sprinklers are designed to respond to a fire in a shorter period of time than conventional sprinklers.



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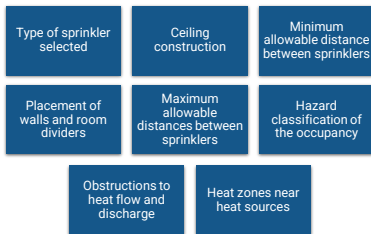
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## AREA OF COVERAGE



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**CEILING CONSTRUCTION: NFPA 13**

 Materials	Non-combustible Limited Combustible Combustible
 Potential Obstructions	Obstructed Unobstructed



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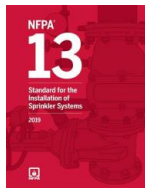
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**HOW DOES CEILING CONSTRUCTION MATTER TO FIRE SPRINKLER INSTALLATION?**

Review Section 3.3.43.1 and A.3.3... – obstructed construction

Review Section 3.3.43.2 and A.3.3– unobstructed construction



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**OBSTRUCTED CONSTRUCTION**

<b>Official NFPA Definition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Panel construction and other construction where beams, trusses, or other members impede heat flow or water distribution in a manner that materially affects the ability of sprinklers to control or suppress a fire. (3.7.1)</li> </ul>
<b>NFSA definition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any construction that does not meet the definition of unobstructed construction</li> </ul>



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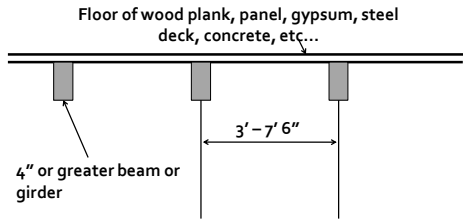
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**BEAM AND GIRDER CONSTRUCTION**



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**CONCRETE TEE CONSTRUCTION**



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**COMPOSITE WOOD JOIST CONSTRUCTION**



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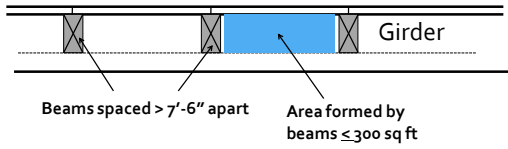
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**PANEL CONSTRUCTION**



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**WOOD JOIST CONSTRUCTION**



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**STEEL PURLIN CONSTRUCTION**



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**DEFLECTOR BELOW CEILING**

•Each sprinkler will have specific rules on how far the sprinkler may be down from the ceiling.



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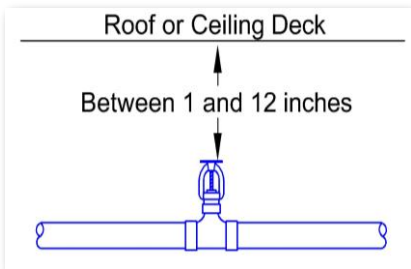
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**UNOBSTRUCTED CONSTRUCTION – DEFLECTOR BELOW CEILING**



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**It's OK!**

- Deflector Distance?
- Unobstructed Construction
- 1-12”?



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# UH OH!

- Deflector Distance?
- Unobstructed Construction
- "1-12"?"



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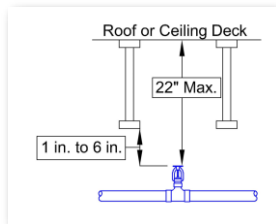
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## DEFLECTOR DISTANCES BELOW CEILINGS

- Obstructed Construction
- 1-6 inches below structural members
- Not more than 22 inches below ceiling



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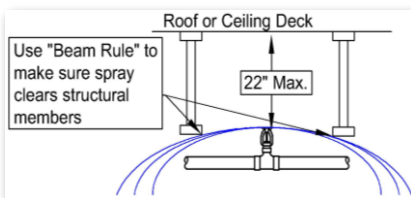
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## EXCEPTION TO OBSTRUCTED CONSTRUCTION RULE



Sprinklers are allowed to be installed with deflectors at or above members where the distances meet Section 10.2.7.1.2 (Beam Rule)



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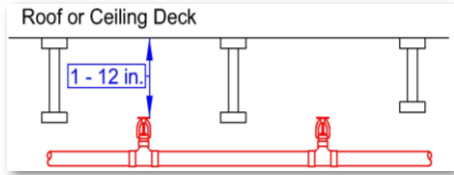
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**EXCEPTION TO OBSTRUCTED CONSTRUCTION RULE**

Sprinklers can be installed in each bay of obstructed construction with deflectors 1-12 inches below the ceiling



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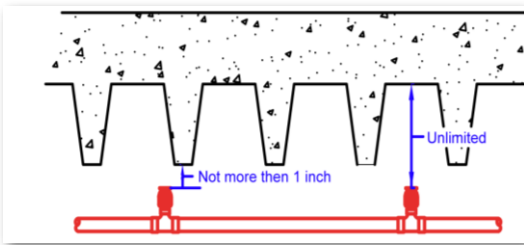
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**CONCRETE TEES - 3 FT AND 7.5 FT ON CENTER**



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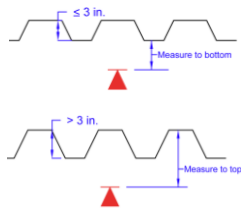
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**DISTANCE BELOW SPECIAL CEILINGS**

Corrugated metal roof decks up to 3 inches measured from the bottom of deck. Deeper decks measure from the top of deck.



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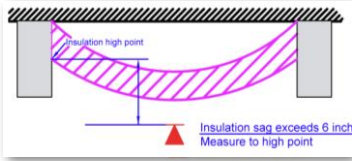
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**DISTANCE BELOW SPECIAL CEILINGS**

Measure to attached insulation. If insulation sags measure to mid point. If it sags more than 6 inches measure to high point of the insulation.



New for 2019  
Insulation used  
to measure  
deflector  
distance - must  
withstand 3  
lb/ft2 uplift  
(9.5.4.1.3.1)



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**STANDARD SPRAY SPRINKLERS DEFLECTOR POSITION**

•Deflectors are required to be installed parallel to ceilings, roofs and incline of stairs



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**STANDARD SPRAY SPRINKLERS DEFLECTOR POSITION**

•Where sprinklers are installed at the peak of a pitched roof, the deflectors shall be horizontal

•Sprinklers under pitched roofs with slopes less than 2 in 12 are permitted to be installed with their deflectors horizontal



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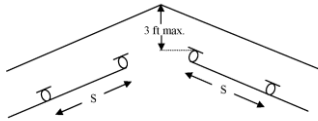
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**STANDARD SPRAY SPRINKLERS UNDER PITCHED SURFACES**

The sprinkler closest to the peak must be within 3 ft vertically of the peak



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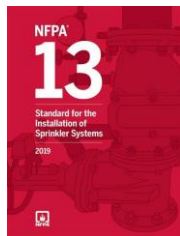
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**CEILING CONSTRUCTION = AREA PER SPRINKLER AND SPACING**

Review Table 10.2.4.2.1(a)



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**DETERMINATION OF "AREA OF COVERAGE"**

Based upon the "S x L rule"

$$AS = S \times L$$

AS = Area of Coverage

S = Distance along branch line or twice distance to wall.

L = Distance between branch line or twice distance to wall.



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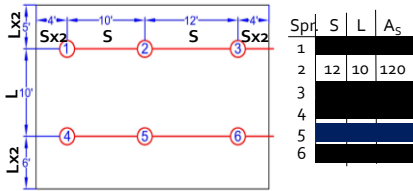
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## DETERMINE AREA OF COVERAGE FOR EACH SPRINKLER




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## RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLERS AREA OF COVERAGE

• For residential sprinklers...

- Do not use SxL
- Coverage criteria will be covered in the listing/manufacturer's data sheet

Victaulic V2742, 4.9 K-Factor Concealed Pendent Sprinkler  
For Ceiling types refer to NFPA 13, 13R or 13D 2013 Edition

Max. Coverage Area <sup>1</sup>	Ordinary Temp Rating 155°F/68°C		Intermediate Temp Rating 175°F/79°C		D
	Flow <sup>2</sup> GPM	Pressure <sup>3</sup> PSI bar	Flow <sup>2</sup> GPM	Pressure <sup>3</sup> PSI bar	
12 X 12 3.7 X 3.7	13 49.2	7.0 0.48	N/A	N/A	
14 X 14 4.3 X 4.3	13 49.2	7.0 0.48	N/A	N/A	
16 X 16 4.9 X 4.9	13 49.2	7.0 0.48	N/A	N/A	
18 X 18 5.5 X 5.5	17 64.3	12 0.83	N/A	N/A	
20 X 20 6.1 X 6.1	20 75.7	16.7 1.15	N/A	N/A	

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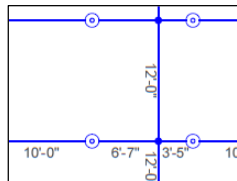


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## DISTANCE OF SPRINKLERS

- SS U/P light hazard: 15 feet
- SS U/P ordinary hazard: 15 feet
- SS U/P extra hazard: 12 feet

- SS Sidewall light hazard: 14 feet
- SS Sidewall ordinary hazard: 10 feet




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**MAXIMUM DISTANCE FROM WALLS**

Sprinklers cannot be more than one-half the maximum distance between sprinklers.

Large items against the wall, such as large portraits, furniture, trophy cases, portable closets, the sprinkler is measured to the wall.

When sprinklers are adjacent to windows, and no additional floor space is created, the distance is measured to the wall line.



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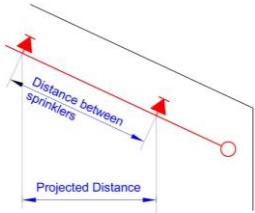
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**UNDER PITCHED SURFACES**

- Distances between sprinklers are measured along the slope
- For determining the amount of water necessary to meet the density/area requirements (hydraulic calculations), the projected area on the floor shall be used.



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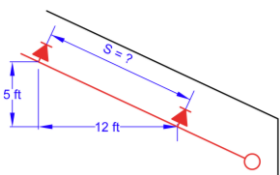
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**UNDER PITCHED SURFACES**

What is the "S" dimension?  
 $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  (Pythagorean Theorem)  
 $12^2 + 5^2 = c^2$   
 $\sqrt{169} = \sqrt{c^2}$   
 $C = 13$  ft



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### MAXIMUM DISTANCES FROM WALLS FOR STANDARD SPRAY SPRINKLERS

- ½ of the allowable distance between sprinklers
- Small room rule exception (will be covered later in the class)
- Measured perpendicular to the wall

What is the Maximum Distance from the Wall for Ordinary Hazard?

7 ½ ft (half of maximum allowable distance – 15 ft)



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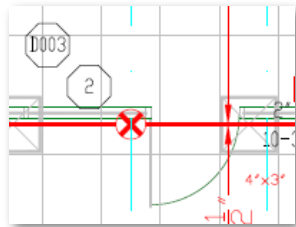
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### MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM WALL

• The distance of sprinklers to walls shall not be less than 4 inches, unless specifically listed to be closer than 4 inches.



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### SUMMARY OF SPRINKLER SELECTION

13 different orifice sizes

2 different response characteristics

7 different temperature ratings

8 different deflector styles

1456 different kinds of sprinklers!



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**MODULE 6 ASSESSMENT**



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**MODULE 7 – OVERVIEW & INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS OF SPRINKLERS**  
Fire Sprinkler System Plan Review



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**CHECKLIST**

This modules covers several steps in the following checklists:

- Positioning checklist
- Design review checklist

Design Review Checklist

Code	Description	NFPA 13 (2019)		NFPA 13 (2022)	
		Compliance	Compliance	Compliance	Compliance
201	Water source	2.2.3.1.1	2.2.3.1.1	2.2.3.1.1	2.2.3.1.1
202	Control valves	6.2.2.1.1	6.2.2.1.1	6.2.2.1.1	6.2.2.1.1
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205	Water supply	4.2.2.1.3	4.2.2.1.3	4.2.2.1.3	4.2.2.1.3
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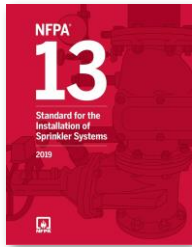
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## SPECIAL SITUATIONS & EXEMPTIONS



- Section 9.1.1 has an extensive list of the basic rules of spacing, location and position rules.
- Throughout the building
- Maximum protection area
- Shadows are permitted
- Sprinklers can be exempt
- Deviations from rules
- Break the rules
- No sprinklers in furniture
- No sprinklers in equipment



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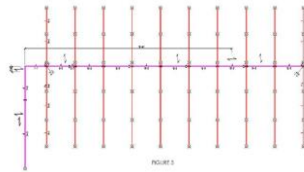
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## MAXIMUM SYSTEM SIZE

- Need a separate system (control valve, drain, and alarm) when you exceed:
- 52,000 sq ft per floor for light and ordinary hazard systems
- 40,000 sq ft per floor for extra hazard and storage systems
- Area of mezzanines does not count



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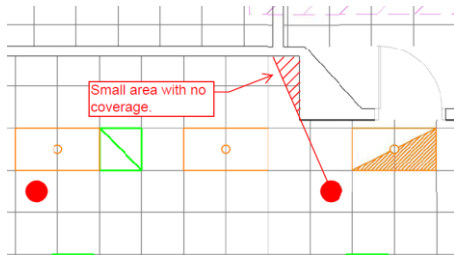
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## SHADOW



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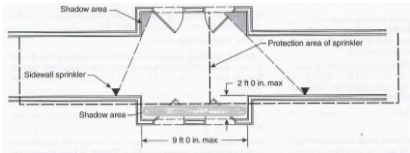
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**NFPA 13R & NFPA 13D SHADOWS**

- A single sprinkler can have up to 15 sq. ft. of dry area.
- Sprinklers are permitted to be omitted from corridors to 2' in depth and 9' in length (13R only)



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**MULTISTORY CONTROL VALVES**

- Multistory buildings exceeding 2 stories shall be provided with a floor control valve, check valve, main drain valve, and flow switch for isolation, control, and annunciation of waterflow for each individual floor level



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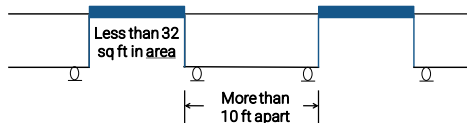
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**SKYLIGHTS**



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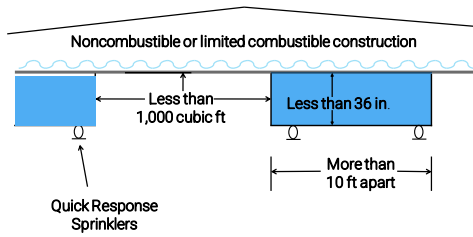
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## CEILING POCKET



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## BATHROOMS AND CLOSETS

•NFPA 13 dwelling unit bathrooms in dwelling units 55 sf and under are exempt.

•IBC exempts bathrooms more than 55 sf from sprinkler protection for all Group R, provided walls and ceilings are noncombustible or limited combustible with a 15-minute thermal barrier



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## CONCEALED SPACES

Concealed spaces of exposed combustible construction shall be protected by sprinklers.

Except in concealed spaces where sprinklers are not required to be installed by 9.2.1 through 9.2.1.19 and 9.3.18.



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## CONCEALED SPACES

- No Formal Definition
- However:
  - Enclosed on All Sides
  - Limited or No Access
  - Not Intended for Occupancy
  - Not Intended for Storage
- Where sprinklers are installed, use light hazard density.



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## UNSPRINKLERED CONCEALED SPACES

- Why are sprinklers permitted to be omitted from certain concealed spaces?
  - Access
  - Fuel Load
  - Physically Impractical



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## WHY ARE CONCEALED SPACES IMPORTANT?



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**UNSPRINKLERED CONCEALED SPACES: MINIMAL COMBUSTIBLE LOADING**



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**UNSPRINKLERED CONCEALED SPACES: SMALL OPENINGS**

The space shall be considered concealed space even with small openings such as those used as return air for a plenum.



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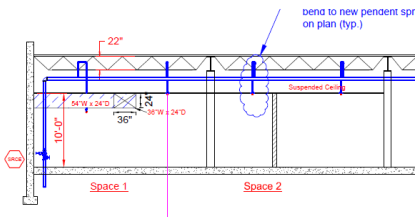
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**ARE SPRINKLERS REQUIRED ABOVE A SUSPENDED CEILING?**



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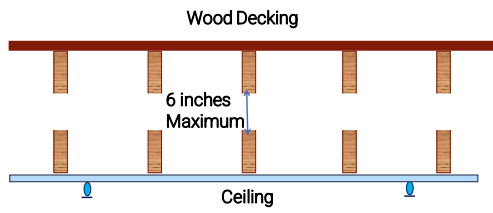
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**JOIST SPACES**



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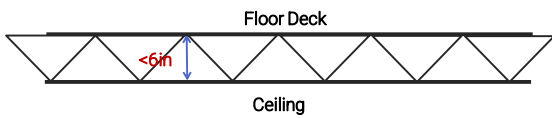
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**SMALL BAR JOISTS**



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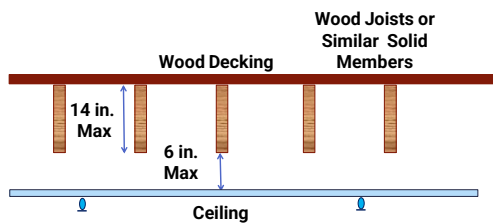
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**DROP CEILINGS BELOW JOISTS**



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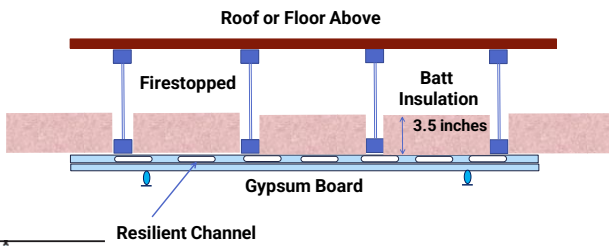
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**I-JOISTS WITH CEILINGS**



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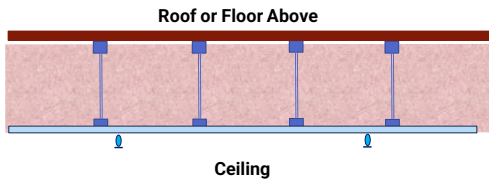
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**FILLED SPACES**



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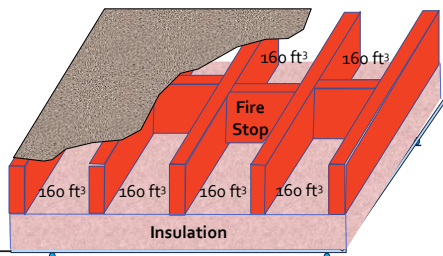
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**JOISTS WITH DROP CEILINGS AND INSULATION**



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**SMALL ROOMS**

•Concealed spaces over isolated small rooms not exceeding 55 ft2 in area



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**FIRE RETARDANT TREATED WOOD**



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**PAPER-FACED INSULATION**

•Noncombustible concealed spaces having exposed combustible insulation where the heat content of the facing and substrate of the insulation material does not exceed 1000 Btu/ft2 shall not require sprinkler protection.



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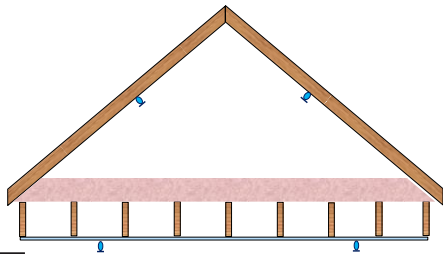
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**CONCEALED JOIST SPACES**



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**PIPE CHASE**



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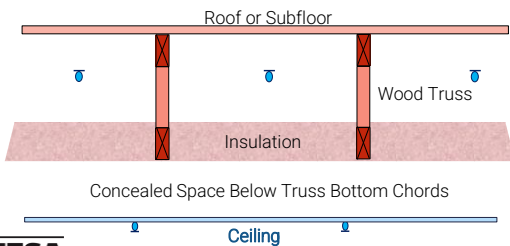
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**LIMITED COMBUSTIBLE SPACE**



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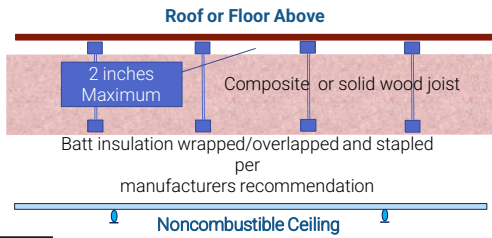
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**FILLED I JOIST WITH DROP CEILING**



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**VERTICAL OPENINGS**



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**ELEVATOR SHAFTS**

- NFPA 13 has updated text for new elevator technology.
- Elevator divisions usually overrule NFPA 13.
- Sprinkler within two feet of bottom of shaft.



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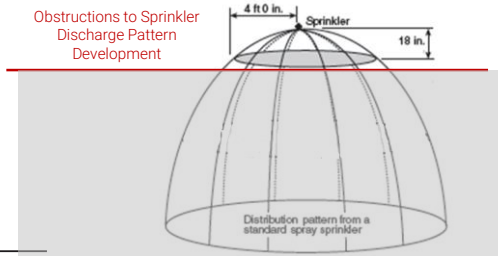
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## OBSTRUCTIONS WITHIN 18 INCHES



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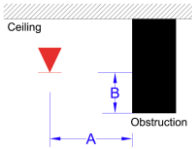
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## BEAM RULE

If "A" (Inches)	Maximum Allowable "B" (Inches)
< 12	0
12 – 17.9	2.5
18 – 23.9	3.5
24 – 29.9	5.5
30 – 35.9	7.5
36 – 41.9	9.5
42 – 47.9	12
48 – 53.9	14
54 – 59.9	16.5

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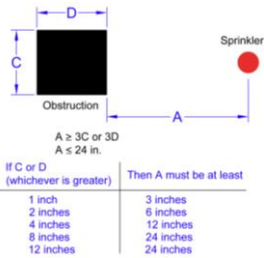
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## THREE TIMES RULE



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**THE PARTITION RULE**

- 2019 edition
- Light Hazard Only
- Privacy curtains, room dividers, freestanding partitions
- 2022 edition
- Ordinary hazard occupancies added
- See Section 10.2.7.3.2.3



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**THE PARTITION RULE**



- Privacy Curtains shall not be considered obstructions where:
- Curtains supported by fabric mesh on ceiling track
- Openings in mesh are 70% open or greater
- Mesh extends at least 22 inches down from ceiling.



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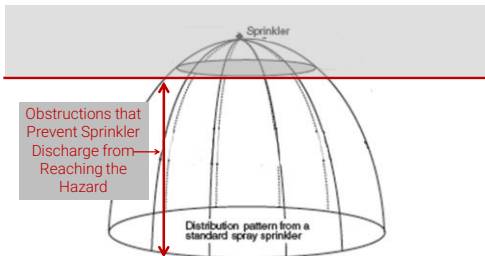
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**OBSTRUCTIONS OVER 18 INCHES**



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**OBSTRUCTIONS OVER 18 INCHES**



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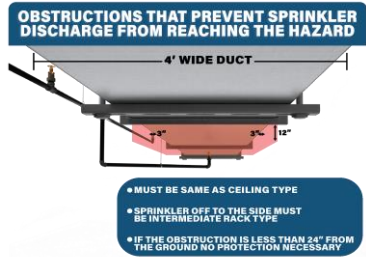
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**OBSTRUCTIONS THAT PREVENT SPRINKLER DISCHARGE FROM REACHING THE HAZARD**



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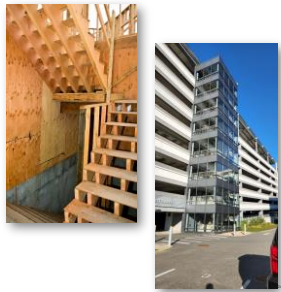
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**ENCLOSED STAIRWAYS**

- Combustible
  - Top of stairway
  - Under each floor landing
  - Under lowest intermediate landing
- Noncombustible
  - Top of stairway
  - Under lowest intermediate landing



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**400 CUBIC FT CLOSETS/COMPARTMENTS**

- Closets and compartments, including areas housing mechanical equipment 400 ft<sup>3</sup> or less:
- A single sprinkler at the highest ceiling level is sufficient
- Obstructions and minimum distance(s) to walls do not need to be considered.



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**EXTERIOR PROJECTIONS**



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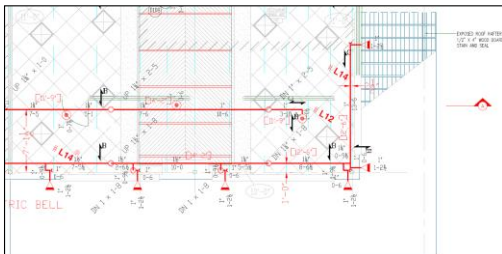
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**EXTERIOR PROJECTIONS**



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**SOFFITS, EAVES, OVERHANGS**



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**EXTERIOR PROJECTIONS**



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**SPACES UNDER GROUND FLOORS, EXTERIOR DOCKS, AND PLATFORMS**

- Spaces Under ground Floors, Exterior Docks, and Platforms
- The space is not accessible
- Protected against wind-borne debris accumulation
- No fuel-fired equipment
- Floor above is of tight construction
- No combustible/flammable liquids handled above



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**CLEARANCE TO STORAGE**

Pendent and upright spray sprinklers clearance to storage is a minimum of 18 inches.

Storage on a shelf against a wall, the 18-inch minimum does not apply.



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**MODULE 7 ASSESSMENTS**



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## RELIEF VALVES (8.1.2)

- Setting:**
- operate at 175 psi (12 bar) or 10 psi (0.7 bar) in excess of the maximum system pressure, whichever is greater.
- Location:**
- Downstream of check valves
- Size:**
- ½ inch min.



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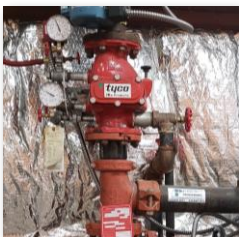
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## DRAINAGE - MAIN DRAIN CONNECTION

- Required on all systems
- Primary drain located on the system riser
- All piping arranged where practicable to drain to the main drain valve.
- Used as a flow test connection



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## DRAINAGE

- Wet and preaction systems not subject to freezing:
- 50 gals. and over, pipe to accessible location
  - 1 inch valve
  - 5 to 50 gals: 3/4-inch valve with cap or plug
  - Less than 5 gals:
    - 1/2-inch cap or plug
    - Removal of a pendent sprinkler
    - Flexible couplings



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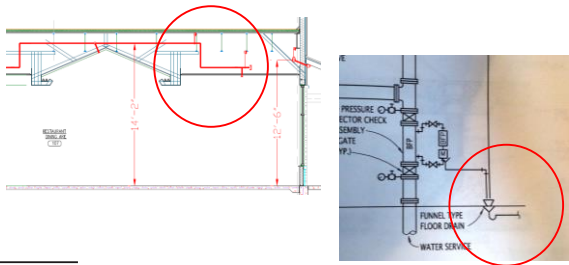
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## DRAINAGE



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## TRAPPED PIPING

Auxiliary drains shall be provided where a change in piping direction prevents drainage of system piping through the main drain valve.

Trapped piping that will be covered should be piped and ready at rough inspection.



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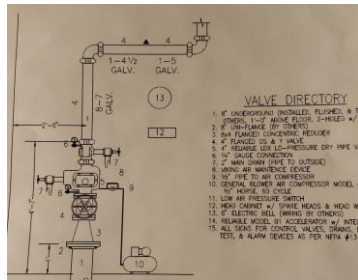
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## DRY AND PREACTION SYSTEMS

- Only use dry-pipe systems where wet systems cannot be used (Less than 40° F)
- More costly to maintain
- More costly to install and operate

• Located in freezers, canopies, etc.



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## PITCH OF PIPING

Helps water to drain out of dry & preaction pipe systems after use

Pitched back toward the riser

Branch lines: 1/2 inch per 10 ft

System mains: 1/4 inch per 10 ft

Refrigerated mains: 1/2 inch per 10 ft

Affects distance of sprinklers from ceiling

Affects hanger length



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## SPRINKLERS

Upright sprinklers

Listed dry-pendent sprinklers

Pendent sprinklers on return bends with both located in heated areas

Sidewall sprinklers – pitched to drain



Dry pendent image courtesy of Viking



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## VOLUME OF SYSTEM

- Shop drawings shall indicate the size of the dry pipe or preaction system.
- Deliver water to test connection within 60 seconds.
- Except: less than 500 gallons and over 500 to 750 gallons with a QOD.

OPEN PARKING LEVEL  
DRY SYSTEM CAPACITY = 371 GALLONS



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**QUICK OPENING DEVICES**

- Installed to meet discharge times.
- Listed
- Accelerators
- Electric
- Mechanical
- Exhausters



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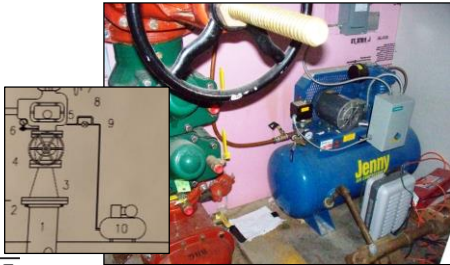
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**AIR PRESSURE AND SUPPLY**



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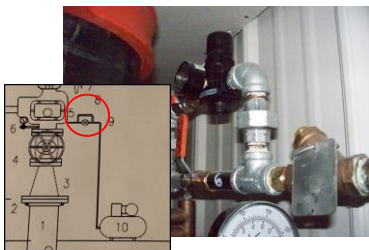
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**AIR PRESSURE (AIR MAINTENANCE DEVICE)**



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## WATERFLOW ALARMS

- Exterior alarm per Step 827 (IBC)
- IBC requires audible device on exterior of building. (903.4.2)
- Approved identification signs, should be provided for outside alarm devices.



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## WATERFLOW ALARMS

- IBC requires control valves for sprinkler systems to be supervised by a listed fire alarm control unit
- Waterflow must activate within 100 seconds
- 90 seconds for water flow alarm to activate +
- 10 seconds to activate occupant notification (if provided)



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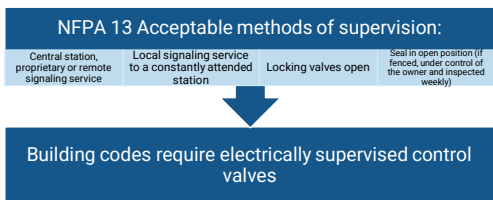
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## CONTROL VALVE SUPERVISION



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**SUPERVISED BUTTERFLY VALVE**

Supervisory initiating device  
AKA: Tamper switch

Supervised valve



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**SUPERVISORY SWITCH CLOSE-UP**

Supervisory initiating device  
AKA: Tamper switch

Supervised valve



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**LOCKED OPEN OS & Y**



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## FDC - INSTALLATION

- Fire department connections are required on all NFPA 13 installations, except:
  - The building is remote from FD access.
  - The building is 2,000 sq.ft. or less.
  - The building has a deluge sprinkler system that exceeds the capacity of the fire department.



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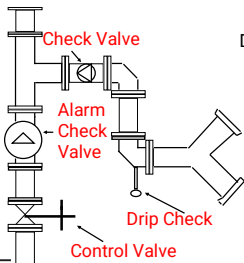
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## WET (SINGLE) SYSTEM



Install the Fire Department Connection on the System Side of the Control, Check, or Alarm Valves

Fire Department Connection



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## UH OH!

- What's wrong?
  - FDC to be located between system control valve and dry-pipe valve on single dry system – NFPA 13 8.17.2.4.2. Here there is a shut-off valve above the FDC



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## FDC - SIZE

- 4 inches for engine connections
- 6 inches for boat connections
- Hydraulically calculated systems:
  - Can be less than 4 inches
  - No less than riser size
  - For a single system riser.



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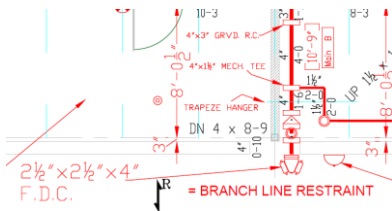
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## FDC - ARRANGEMENT



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## LOCKING CAPS

- The fire code official may require locking caps on fire department connections
- Responding fire department must have the appropriate key readily available



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### INSPECTOR'S TEST CONNECTIONS (16.14.1)

- Purpose:
  - Alarm test connection
- Location:
  - Anywhere - Downstream of flow alarm
- Termination Point:
  - Outside or to a drain sized to accept full flow under system pressure



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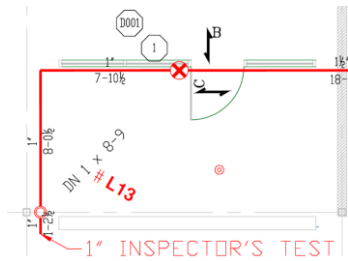
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### INSPECTOR'S TEST CONNECTION



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### COMPRESSOR AND DRY SYSTEMS

- Air compressors for dry sprinkler systems are not required to be listed
- Compressors are not permitted to be wired to a light switch or use a plug into a wall outlet (hard-wired)
- Air maintenance device is required, unless the dry system has a capacity less than 5.5 ft<sup>3</sup> at 10 psi
- Air maintenance device (when required) must be listed
- An air maintenance device is required for each dry system



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**NITROGEN AND DRY SYSTEMS**

- Nitrogen
- Supply must be reliable
- When nitrogen is used for increased C factor, a listed nitrogen generator must be used.
- ITM per NFPA 25
- Monthly inspection
- Annual testing
- Maintained per manufacturer's instructions



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**NITROGEN AND DRY SYSTEMS**



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**MODULE 9 ASSESSMENT**



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## MODULE 9 – DESIGN APPROACHES

Fire Sprinkler System Plan Review



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### CHECKLIST

This module covers several steps in the following checklists:

- Systems review checklist
- Hydraulic review checklist

Systems Review Checklist		NFPA 13	NFPA 11
		2010	2011
001	Working plans		21.1
002	General notes		21.1
003	System design		21.1
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### AUTOMATIC WATER SUPPLIES

- Municipal or Private water supply
- Water storage reservoir and fire pump
- Pressure tank
- Gravity tank



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**NFPA 13 (2019) – 5.2.2.2**

**Requirement:** The volume and pressure of a public water supply shall be determined from waterflow test data or other approved method.

**Annex:** An adjustment to the waterflow test data to account for daily and seasonal fluctuations, possible interruption by flood or ice conditions, large simultaneous industrial use, future demand on the water supply system, or any other condition that could affect the water supply should be made as appropriate.



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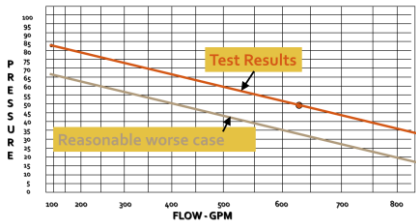
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**FLOW TEST SUMMARY SHEET**



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**WATER DEMAND**

•The water supply for sprinklers shall be determined only from one of the following methods:

- Density/area curves
- The room design method
- Special design areas

•What method is used? Follow the checklist accordingly.



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## DESIGN OPTIONS

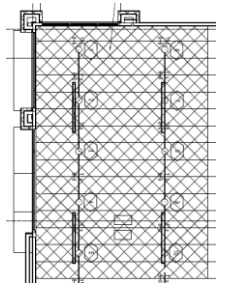
### Area/Density

- Single point (new)
- Curves (existing)

### Room design method

### Special design approaches

- Residential
- Corridors
- Exposure



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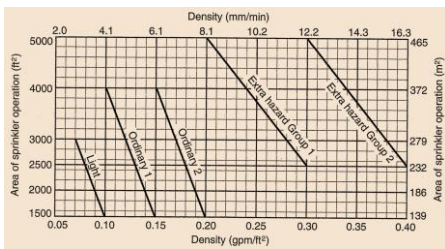
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## DENSITY/AREA CURVES



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## DENSITY/AREA CURVES – 2022 EDITION



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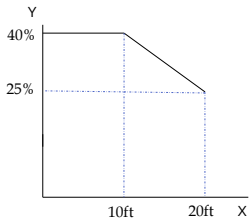
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**QUICK RESPONSE DECREASE**



Ceiling Height  $\leq 10$  ft  
Reduction is 40%

Between 10 and 20 ft  
 $Y = (-3x/2) + 55$

Ceiling Height is 20 ft  
Reduction is 25%

Over 20 ft Ceiling Height  
No reduction allowed



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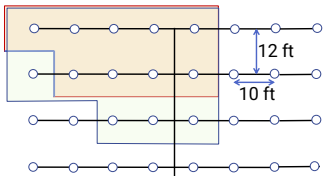
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**QUICK RESPONSE DESIGN AREA EXAMPLE**



Original design area = 1,500 sf with 13 sprinklers

QR, wet, with 15 ft ceiling = 1,035 sf with 9 sprinklers



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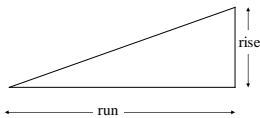
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**SLOPED CEILING INCREASE**

- Sloped Ceilings
- Area of operation is increased by 30% if pitch exceeds 2 in 12 (rise in run).
- This is an angle of 9.46°



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**DRY PIPE AND DOUBLE INTERLOCK PREACTION SYSTEM INCREASE**



For dry pipe and double interlock preaction sprinkler systems, increase by 30%.

The adjustment to the design area is made without changing the density.



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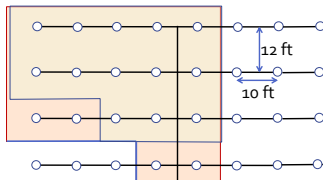
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**DRY PIPE INCREASE EXAMPLE**



Original design area = 1,500 sf with 13 sprinklers  
 Dry system = 1,950 sf with 17 sprinklers



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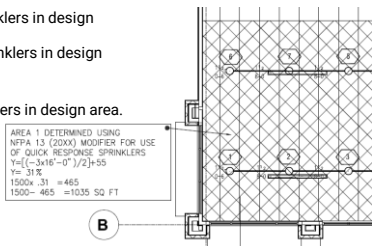
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**DENSITY/AREA SPRINKLERS**

•Design areas can and are often modified:

- Increases = more sprinklers in design area
- Decreases = fewer sprinklers in design area

•Minimum five (5) sprinklers in design area.



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## HIGH TEMPERATURE DECREASE

The density/area curves for extra hazard are based on the use of ordinary temperature sprinklers.

When high temperature sprinklers are used, the design area is decreased by 25%, but never below the minimum threshold of 2,000 square feet.



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## SUM OF MULTIPLE INCREASES AND DECREASES

Compound adjustments based on original area of operation selected from density/area figure.

- Example 1: Dry-pipe system with ceiling slope of 4 in 12
- 30% increase for dry system
- 30% increase for slope
- 1,500 sf x 1.3 x 1.3 = 2,535 sf design area



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## MULTIPLE ADJUSTMENTS EXAMPLE

- Example 2:
- QR sprinklers with wet pipe system and ceiling slope of 3 in 12, maximum ceiling height of 20 ft.
  - 25% decrease for QR sprinklers
  - 30% increase for slope
  - 1,500 sf x 0.75 x 1.3 = 1,463 sf



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## DESIGN AREA

Calculations	
<b>Design</b>	
Remote Area Name	1
Remote Area Location	REMOTE
Occupancy Classification	ORD 2
Density (gpm/ft <sup>2</sup> )	0.2
Area of Application (ft <sup>2</sup> )	1080

**Shop Drawings**

AREA 1 DETERMINED USING NFPA 13 (20XX) MODIFIER FOR USE OF QUICK RESPONSE SPRINKLERS  
 $Y = [(-3+16 - 0^2) / 2] + 35$   
 $Y = 31 \text{ ft}$   
 $1500 \times .31 = 465$   
 $1500 - 465 = 1035 \text{ SQ FT}$



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## DESIGN AREA EXAMPLE

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A building with a 15 ft ceiling
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Wet pipe sprinkler system
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Standard response sprinklers
- ---

120 sq ft spacing (12 ft between branch lines and 10 ft between sprinklers along the branch line)
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Ordinary hazard group 2
- ---

0.2 gpm per sq ft over 1500 sq ft (No adjustments apply)



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## HOW MUCH WATER WILL FLOW?

From an individual sprinkler?  
 Density x Protection Area = GPM



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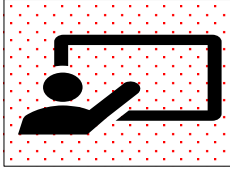
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## HOW MANY SPRINKLERS?

How many sprinklers are supposed to be in the design area?  
 Area of Operation/Protection Area = # Sprinklers



ALWAYS ROUND UP TO NEXT WHOLE  
 SPRINKLER

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## HOW MANY SPRINKLERS ON A BRANCH LINE?

How many sprinklers will be on a branch line?

27.2.4.2.1

$$\frac{1.2\sqrt{1500} \text{ Area of Operation}}{10} = 4.6$$

- 4 sprinklers per branch line
- 5 sprinklers per branch line



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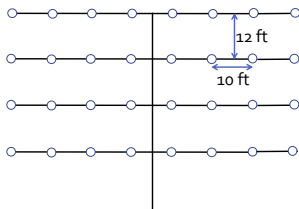
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## DESIGN AREA EXAMPLE



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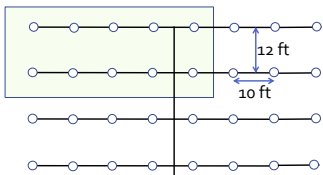
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**DESIGN AREA EXAMPLE**



5 sprinklers per branch line over 2 branch lines gives you 10 sprinklers. Need 3 more!



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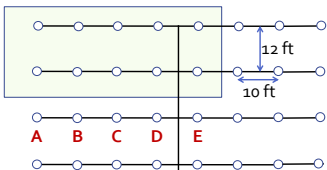
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**DESIGN AREA EXAMPLE**



Which 3 sprinklers do you pick from the next branch line: ABC or CDE?



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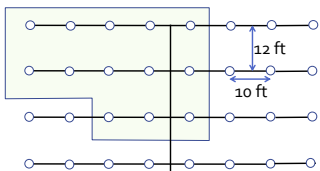
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**DESIGN AREA EXAMPLE**



Design area =  $120 \times 13 = 1560$  sq ft



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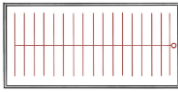
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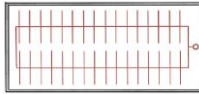
Tree Systems



Gridded Systems



Looped Systems



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## SUMMARY SHEET

HYDRULIC CALCULATION	
JOB INFORMATION	
Project Name	NORTHGATE LOT 4
Contract No.	2023-00000
CONTRACTOR INFORMATION	
Name of Contractor	NFSA
Address	514 PROGRESS DR, SUITE A PHOENIX, AZ 85008
City	PHOENIX
Name of Designer	
Authority Having Jurisdiction	
DESIGN	
Number of Stories	1
Number of Levels	00000
Design Level	000.0
Design Level (ft)	0.0
Design Level (m)	0.0
Number of Sprinkler Systems	0
Number of Sprinklers	0
Design Flow	0.0
Design Flow (gpm)	0.0
Design Flow (L/min)	0.0
Design Pressure @ Inlet (psi)	0.0
Design Pressure (bar)	0.0
Design Length	0.0
Design Length (ft)	0.0
Design Length (m)	0.0
DESIGN SUMMARY	
Flow	0.000 gpm
Pressure	0.000 psi
Length	0.000 ft

Northgate Calculation



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

Job Information	
Project Name :	NORTHGATE LOT 4
Contract No. :	City:
Project Location:	ANYTOWN, USA
	Date: 2/23/2023

Northgate Calculation

Contractor Information	
Name of Contractor	John Swanson
Address	514 PROGRESS DR, SUITE A PHOENIX, AZ 85008
City	LINTHICUM HEIGHTS, MD 21086
Number	E-mail:
Name of Designer	Ms. John Agan
Authority Having Jurisdiction	Jeff Hoge

Northgate Calculation



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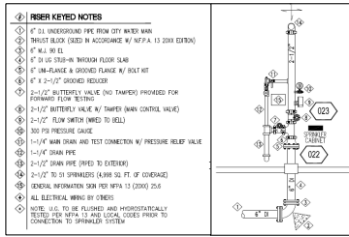
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## TYPE OF SYSTEM

Type of System: W

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Northgate Shop Drawing



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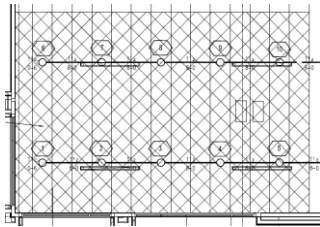
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## DESIGN AREA

Area of Application (ft <sup>2</sup> )	1080
Coverage per Sprinkler (ft <sup>2</sup> )	108
Number of Calculated Sprinklers	10

Northgate Calculation



Northgate Shop Drawing



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## DENSITY

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Area of Application (ft <sup>2</sup> )	1080

Northgate Calculation



Northgate Shop Drawing



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### AREA OF SPRINKLER

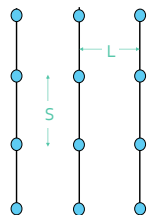
Based upon the "S x L rule"

$$AS = S \times L$$

AS = Area of Coverage

S = Distance along branch line or twice distance to wall.

L = Distance between branch line or twice distance to wall.



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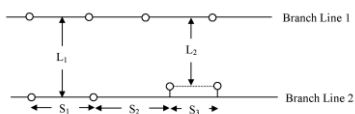
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### S X L RULE

"S" and "L" Dimensions are measured to the sprinklers, not the branch lines



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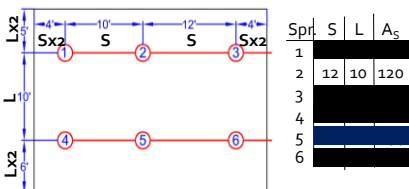
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### AREA OF SPRINKLER



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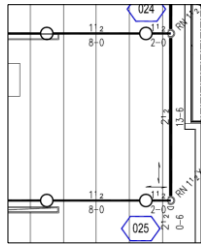
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## AREA OF SPRINKLER

Area of Application (ft <sup>2</sup> )	1080
Coverage per Sprinkler (ft <sup>2</sup> )	108
Number of Calculated Sprinklers	10

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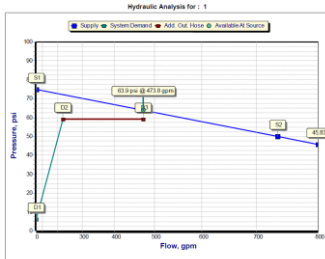
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## GRAPH SHEET ANALYSIS



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## SUPPLY ANALYSIS

Supply Analysis						
Node at Source	Static Pressure (psi)	Residual Pressure (psi)	Flow (gpm)	Available Pressure (psi)	Total Demand (gpm)	Required Pressure (psi)
SRC	75	50	736	72.2	473.8	59.1

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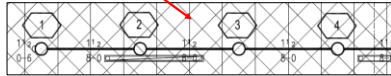
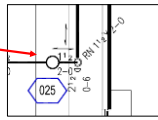


## NODE TAGS



- Verify a node at:
- Pipe size changes
- Flow changes
- Pipe type changes
- Pipe goes from wet to dry

Node 1
Node 2



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## PRESSURE - PSI

- Pressure (expressed in psi)
- Pt = Total Pressure
- Pe = Elevation Pressure
- Pf = Friction Loss Pressure

S1=14.9 psi  
S2=15 psi  
S3=15.4 psi

total (Pt)
elev (Pe)
frict (Pf)
(psi)
14.9
0
0.1
15
0
0.4
15.4
0
0.9
16.4

Northgate shop drawing



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## FINDING PRESSURE OR “P”

Why 14.9 psi?

$$P = \left(\frac{Q}{K}\right)^2$$

Q = Flow = 21.6 gpm

K = K-factor = 5.6

What would be the P if a K-8.0 is used?



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## PRESSURE - PSI



- 1) Pressures add up 2)
- Elevation losses (gains)

	total (Pt)	elev (Pe)	frict (Pf)	(psi)
	14.9	0	0.1	
+		15		PSI@S1
		0	0.4	
+		15.4		PSI@S2
		0	0.9	
+			16.41	PSI@S3

Northgate calculation



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## K-FACTOR

- ✓ 1) K-factors on calcs and shop drawing match cut sheets.
- 2) Some branch lines are K-factors

K-Factor 1	K-Factor 2
5.6	5.6
5.6	5.6
5.6	5.6
5.6	5.6
5.6	5.6
5.6	5.6

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## FINDING K-FACTOR OR "K"

Why K-5.6?

$$K = \sqrt[5]{P}$$

Q = Flow = 21.6 gpm  
P = Pressure = 14.9 psi



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**FLOW – Q AND GPM**

Flow added (q)	Total flow (Q)
(gpm)	
21.6	21.6
21.6	43.3
21.7	65.3
22	87.7



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**FINDING FLOW OR “Q”**

Why 21.6 gpm?

$$Q = K\sqrt{P}$$

K = K-factor = 5.6

P = Pressure = 14.9 psi

What is the flow using a K-8.0 sprinkler?



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**FLOW – Q AND GPM**

✓ 1) Flows add up 2) Missing nodes that flow

Flow added (q)	Total flow (Q)
(gpm)	
21.6	21.6
21.6	43.3
21.7	65.3
22	87.7

$$K\sqrt{P} = Q$$

$$5.6\sqrt{15} = 21.7$$

S<sub>2</sub>  
Total Q (flow) @ S<sub>2</sub>  
in GPM



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## C-FACTOR

✓ Look for C-factor changes in aboveground and underground

C Factor	Pf per ft
120	0.128
140	0.0013

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## C-FACTOR – TABLE 28.2.4.8.1 HAZEN-WILLIAMS C VALUE

Pipe or Tube	C Value*
Unlined cast or ductile iron	100
Black steel (dry systems including preaction)	100
Black steel (wet systems including deluge)	120
Galvanized steel (dry systems including preaction)	100
Galvanized steel (wet systems including deluge)	120
Plastic (listed) all	150
Cement-lined cast- or ductile iron	140
Copper tube, brass or stainless steel	150
Asbestos cement	140
Concrete	140

\*The authority having jurisdiction is permitted to allow other C values.

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## WHAT IS "FRICTION LOSS"?

The friction loss of pipe is totaled in Pf

Friction loss consists of:

- Flow "Q"
- C-factor "C"
- Inside pipe diameter "D"

Hazen-William formula  
 $4.52 \times Q^{1.85} / C^{1.85} / D^{4.87} = \text{psi/ft of pipe}$   
 • psi/ft of pipe x total length = Pf

1	Flow added (c)	Nominal ID	C Factor	total (Pf)
2	Total flow (Q)	Actual ID	Pf per ft	Flow (Psf)
3	(gpm)	(in)	(psi)	(gpm)
0				
1	21.6	1.5	120	14.9
2	21.6	1.68	0.0151	0
3				0.1
4	43.2	1.5	120	15
5	43.2	1.68	0.0547	0
6				0.4
7	64.8	1.5	120	15.4
8	64.8	1.68	0.117	0
9				0.9
10	86.4	1.5	120	16.4

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## HAZEN WILLIAM = FRICTION LOSS

$4.52 \times Q^{1.85} / C^{1.85} / D^4 = \text{psi/ft of pipe}$   
 $\text{total length} \times \text{psi/ft of pipe} = Pf$

L F T	C Factor	Total Frict. (Pf) (psi)	Total Elev. (Pe) Frict. (Pf) (psi)
8	100	14.5	
0	0.0151		
8		0.2	
8	100	15.1	
0	0.0547		
8		0.4	
8	100	15.4	
0	0.117		
8		0.5	
8	100	16.4	

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## HOSE STREAM AND DURATION

### Summary Sheet

Hose Streams (gpm)	250
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### Flow Analysis

Design Area Name	Calc. Mode (Model)	Occupancy	Area of Application (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Total Water (gpm)	Pressure @ Source (psi)	Min. Density (gpm/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Min. Pressure (psi)	Min. Flow (gpm)	Calculated Heads #	Hose Streams (gpm)
1	Demand (DR)	ORD 2	1089	473.8	Required 50.1	0.2	14.9	21.6	10	250



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## CALCULATION PATH

From most remote sprinkler to the water source.

318	Worksheet analysis
319	Node tags
320	Pressure
321	K-factor
322	Flow
323	Pipe diameters
324	Pipe lengths
325	Equivalent pipe length for fittings
326	Spring and drop lengths
327	C-factor
328	Equipment friction losses
329	Hose stream and Duration
330	Calculation path



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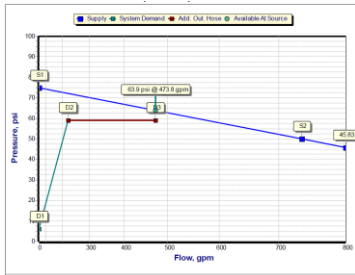
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## GRAPH SHEET



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## SUMMARY

- Apply the requirements of plans examination according to NFPA 13, building and fire codes.
- Discussed the importance of a systematic review process.
- Identified the documents required for a complete plan review process.
- Evaluated the hydraulic calculations presented with a set of working plans submitted for review and approval.



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## QUESTIONS?

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