

MOBILE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT FIRE CODE ADMINISTRATION

Sprinkler System NFPA 13 Acceptance Inspection

Facility Name:
Facility Address:
Building Code Permit Number (if applicable) BLD- 201
Reference numbers following checklist statements represent an NFPA code section unless otherwise specified. 1. Approved drawing and piping certification documents are on-site.
2. Underground supply testing and flushing is witnessed and underground piping certification is provided. Flushing requirements shall be 880 gpm for 6 in., 1,560 gpm for 8 in., 2,440 gpm for 10 in., 3,520 for 12 in.
3. Hydrostatic test: wet system, 200 psi for 2 hours and it should include the Fire Department Connection (FDC) piping.
4. Hydrostatic test: dry and double interlock system: 200 psi for 2 hours and a 40 psi air leak test for 24 hours with less than 1.5 psi loss, 24.
5. Double back flow prevention device is installed and forward flow tested, 24.
6. Systems subject to pressures greater than 150 psi shall be hydrostatically tested at 50 psi above system working pressure, 24
7. Operational test of the dry-pipe valve is performed and the quick opening device (500+ gallon systems) is tested, 750+ gallon system must trip within the time provided in Table 7.2. 24.2.

8. _____PRVs are tested at maximum and normal inlet pressures or as specified by the manufacturer, the supply pressure is recorded on the certificate, a relief valve is on the discharge side and gauges on each side of the valve, 24.2.

Riser Room

- **9.** _____ The main drain is routed to the exterior with a turned down elbow or an inside drain capable of handling the water flow. A flow test is performed. The main drain pipe is $\frac{3}{4}$ in. or greater for a riser up to 2 in., $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. or greater for a riser $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. to $3\frac{1}{2}$ in., 2 in. for a riser 4 in. or greater, 8.16. 24.2.
- **10.** Water control valves and flow switches are monitored and tested for all occupancies with 20 or more sprinklers, 903, 24.2.
- **11.**_____Paddle-type water flow is not allowed for dry, pre-action or deluge systems.
- **12.** <u>24-hour monitoring service agency received signals.</u>
- 13. **Water flow alarm is tested with power off to ensure battery back up**, And initiates an alarm within 5 minutes, located above the FDC, and it is properly signed, 24.
- **14.** Water supply valves are indicating type and supervised by one of 4 means, 8.16.
- **15.** High-rise: each floor system shall have a separate water flow device with a test connection and be connected to the fire alarm system, 8.16. and 8.17
- **16.** Permanent system identification signs for each control valve and what portion of the building each valve serves are provided, 6.7..
- **17.** Permanent label with hydraulic calculations is attached to the riser, 24..
- **18.** _____Riser is supported by hanger or attachment, for multistory at the lowest level, each alternate level, above and below offsets, and at the top, 9.
- **19.** ____Gauges are above and below riser check valve, 7.1.

Fire Department Connection (FDC)

20. FDC lock-capped and permanently signed with system type, PSI required, and area or building served, 8.17.

- **21.**_____FDC has check valve and drip valve, 8.17.
- **22.** FDC for wet single riser system connects to the system side, 8.17.
- **23.** FDC for wet multi-riser system connects after the main system shutoff valve, 8.17.
- **24.** FDC for dry system connects between the indicating and dry-pipe valves, 8.17.Ensure that the minimum clearance to the sides, front. And, height are provided in accordance with IFC 912.
- **25.** FDC is a minimum 4 in. pipe unless hydraulically calculated but not less than the riser dimension; 18 in. to 48 in. above grade, and properly supported, 8.17..

Sprinklers

- **26.** Extra sprinklers: there are no less than 6, some of each type: 6 per 300, 12 per 300 to 1000, and 24 per 1000+ and a wrench are provided, .
- **27.** _____Sprinkler head and wrench location are the same as the plans.
- **28.** _____Sprinklers shall be a minimum of 4 in. from the wall and be properly spaced,
- **29.** _____Sprinkler heads have a guard if subject to damage.
- **30.**____Sprinkler heads are not painted or covered.
- **31.** ____ESFR deflectors are placed in accordance with .
- **32.** EFSR sprinklers are at least 1 ft. horizontally from the bottom edge of bar joist or open truss and at least 36 in. above the top of the storage level,
- **33.** ____Proper type and temperature sprinklers are used and match plans.
- **34.** _____Escutcheon plates are installed.

Pipe: Hangers, Seismic, and Penetrations

- **35.** _____Piping layout and size are the same as the plans.
- **36.**_____Flexible sprinkler hose fitting bends are within manufacturer specifications,

- **37.** Flexible couplings may be used for pipe 2½ in. or larger at structural separations, within 24 in. of expansion joints, within 24 in. of the top and bottom of all risers, within 12 in. above and below a floor penetration in multistory buildings, and on both sides of and within 1 ft. of concrete or masonry wall penetrations unless pipe clearance is provided,
- **38.** _____Minimum clearance around pipes: holes are 2 in. larger than pipe 1 in. to 3½ in., 4 in. for pipe 4 in. and larger. Clearance is not required through sheetrock which is not required to be fire rated nor when flexible couplings are used on each side and within 1ft. of penetration. A listed fire stop system shall be used for penetration holes, the system listing sheet is available,
- **39.** A 6 ell seismic separation assembly or listed flexible pipe assembly is provided at building seismic joints,
- Lateral sway bracing are spaced in accordance with the plans and calculations for all mains, cross mains, and branch lines 2½ in. and larger. Bracing is provided for the last length of pipe but within 6 ft. of the end of a feed or cross main. Bracing is required unless all the pipe is supported by rods less than 6 in. or by 30^o wrap-around u-hooks for any size pipe,
- **41.** Longitudinal sway bracing is a maximum of 80 ft. for mains and crossmains, check spacing on the plans,
- **42.** A 4-way sway brace is provided at least every 25 ft. and at the top of each riser,
- **43.** Longitudinal and lateral bracing is provided for each run of pipe between the change of pipe direction unless the pipe run is less than 12 ft.,
- **44.**____Sprigs greater than 4 ft. are restrained from lateral movement,
- **45.** _____Splayed seismic bracing wire, wrap-around u-hooks, or lateral sway bracing shall not exceed 30 ft. spacing and are used to restrict sprinkler movement that could impact the building, equipment or finishing materials,
- **46.** _____Restraining straps are on all C-clamps and the strap is bolted through if there is not a lip on the beam, .
- **47.** Branch lines have one hanger per section of pipe, see exceptions,

- **48.** Mains and cross-mains have one hanger between each branch line and at the end of the main, .
- **49.** The maximum distance between the end sprinkler and hanger is 36 in. for 1in. pipe, 48 in. for $1\frac{1}{4}$ in., and 60 in. for $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. pipe and greater, .
- **50.** _____Risers in multi-story buildings have supports at the lowest level, at each alternate level, below offsets, and at the top,
- **51.** _____Hangers are not within 3 in. of upright sprinklers,

Dry and Pre-action Systems

- **52.** Dry system compressor with a minimum ½ in. fill line, pressure gauges, and relief valve that function automatically and fill the system within 30 minutes,
- **53.** _____Pre-action and deluge systems are tripped by activation of the detection system.
- 54. _____Riser room is heated,
- **55.** _____Air pressure is set at least 20 psi above the trip pressure,
- **56.** Dry and pre-action systems are supervised and water reaches furthest point within the time period provided on the plans or water delivery calculations in accordance with Table 7.2.
- **57.** Pre-action systems exceeding 20 sprinklers automatically supervise (constant monitoring) pipe pressure (maintain at least 7 psi) and detection devices,

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