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Seminar Learning Outcomes

1. Discuss the scope and application of sprinkler standards for one and two family dwellings and townhomes.
2. Identify the requirements for residential fire sprinkler system installation in accordance with NFSA 13D and IRC P2904.
3. Apply the installation requirements and calculation procedures to various residential layouts.

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UA NFPA 13D

- Origin and History of NFPA 13D
- Administrative Chapters
- General Requirements and Components
- Water Supply
- Installation
- Sprinkler Position and Location
- Protection from Freezing
- Discharge and Hydraulic Calculations
- ~~System Acceptance and ITM~~

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Module 0

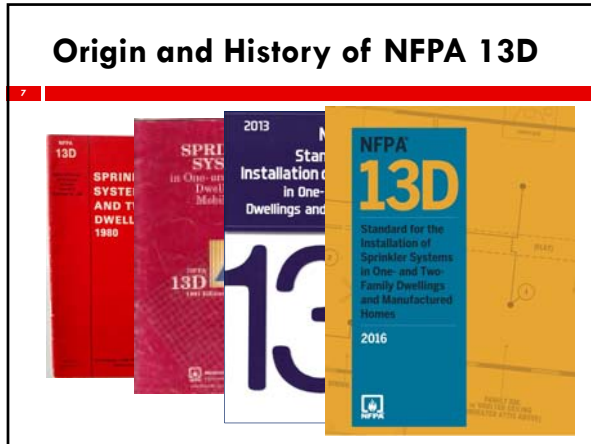
2013 NFPA 13D
Standard for the
Installation of Sprinkler Systems
in One- and Two-Family
Dwellings and Manufactured Homes

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Origin and
History of
NFPA 13D

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Origin and History of NFPA 13D

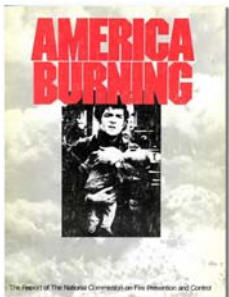
Fire Research and Safety Act of 1968

- Fire Research and Safety Program
- National Commission on Fire Prevention and Control

1968 – President Johnson signs Act into law
 1971 – President Nixon appoints Commissioners




Origin and History of NFPA 13D



America Burning, 1973

“Support the development of the necessary technology for improved automatic extinguishing systems that would find ready acceptance by Americans in all kinds of dwelling units”



Origin and History of NFPA 13D

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Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974

- Congressional Findings
 - 90 Recommendations
 - Highest per capita rate of death and property loss of all major industrialized nations
 - Fire is an undue burden affecting all Americans
 - Firefighting is nation's most hazardous profession
 - Losses unacceptable to Congress



Origin and History of NFPA 13D

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Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974

- Congressional Findings
- National Fire Prevention and Control Administration
- National Academy for Fire Prevention and Control
- National Fire Data Center
- Fire Technology

1974 – President Ford signs Act into law



Origin and History of NFPA 13D

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- Field tests, evaluations, and demonstrations conducted across the US
 - Fort Lauderdale, FL
 - Los Angeles, CA
 - Charleston, SC
 - Hartford, CT

1975 – NFPA 13D, 1st Edition
 1980 – NFPA 13D, 2nd Edition
 1981 – 1st listed residential sprinkler



Residential Sprinkler Systems

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NFPA 13D Philosophy

- Economical life safety oriented protection
- Not designed to protect structures
- Sprinklers may be omitted from areas where fatal fires rarely originate
- Approximately 85% of home covered by residential sprinklers

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Residential Sprinkler Systems

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Fatal Fires – Room of Origin	% of Fatal Fires
Living Room, Family Room or Den	24
Bedroom	24
Kitchen	14
Other function area	11
Structural area	4
Crawl space	2
Laundry room	2
Garage	1
Bathroom	1

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Residential Sprinklers

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How is a residential sprinkler different?

- Fast response
 - Response Time Index (RTI) ≤ 50
- Lower water use
 - 0.05 gpm/ft²
- Higher wall wetting pattern
 - 28" down from ceiling

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Residential Sprinklers

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Standard Spray Sprinkler

4 ft out & 18 in down

8 ft out & 4 ft down

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Residential Sprinklers

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Standard Spray Sprinkler

Must wet wall within 28 in. of ceiling

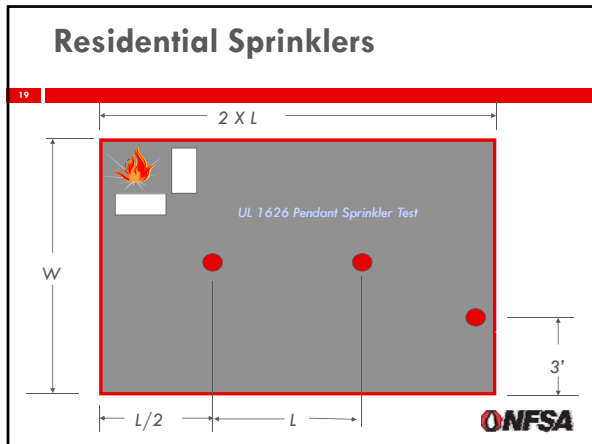
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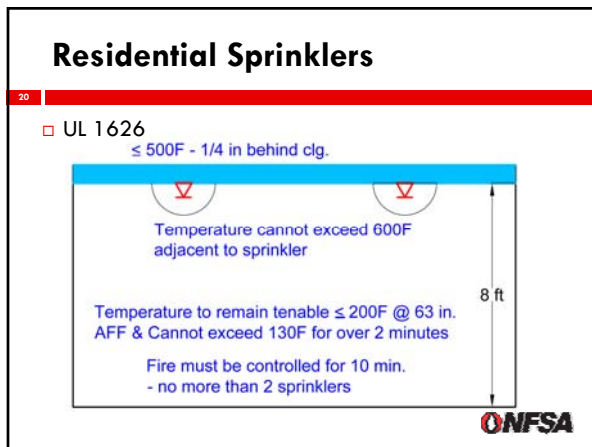
Residential Sprinklers

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- UL 1626
 - Simulated upholstered furniture in corner
 - Wood paneling on walls
 - Simulated waste basket fire in corner
 - Fire at extent of sprinkler coverage area and shielded from water spray by furniture

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America's Residential Fire Problem

- 1,400,000 fires each year
- 500,000 fires in buildings
- 400,000 fires in residential occupancies
- 300,000 fires in single family homes
 - 80% of structure fires
- 3,000 civilian fire deaths
 - 80% of civilian fire deaths occur in residential
- \$12 billion in losses

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America's Residential Fire Problem

The Fire Problem in the United States continues to be a residential fire problem

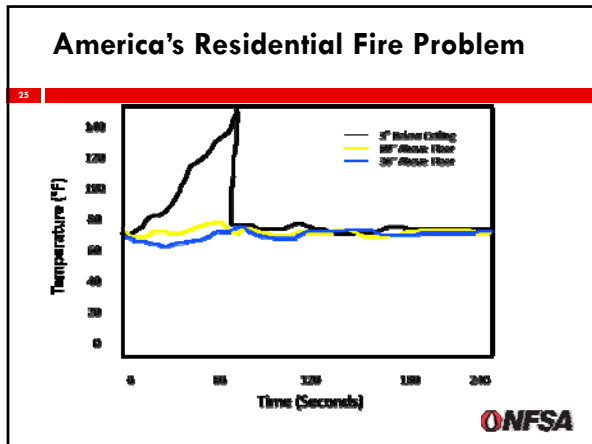
2013 USFA Data	Residential	Non-Residential Structure
Fires	380,300	93,700
Deaths	2,755	65
Injuries	12,450	1,425
Losses	\$6.9 billion	\$2.5 billion

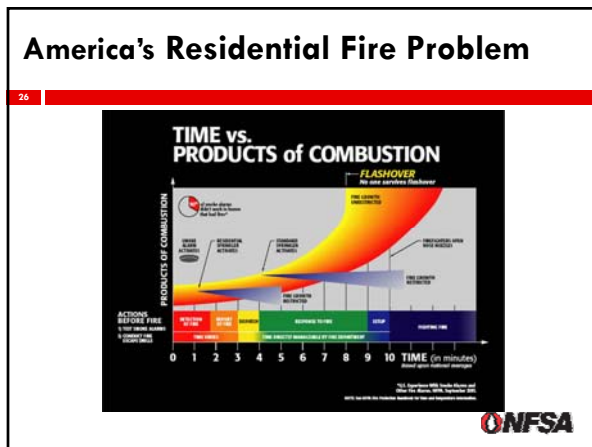
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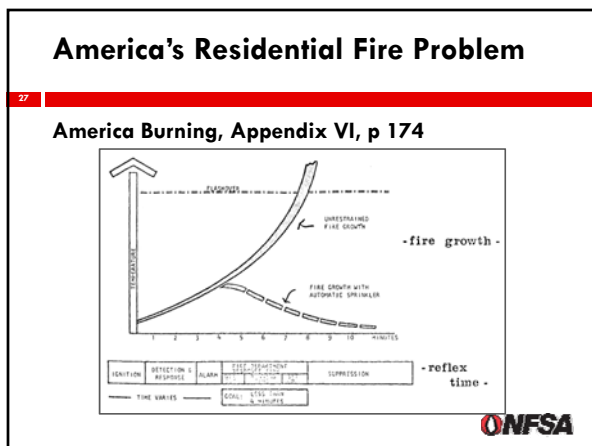
America's Residential Fire Problem

The graph plots Temperature in degrees Fahrenheit on the y-axis (0 to 1600) against Time in seconds on the x-axis (0 to 420). Three curves represent different fire scenarios: a 3\"/>


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Module 1



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Administrative Chapters

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Chapter 1 – Administration

- Scope
- Purpose
- Retroactivity
- Equivalency
- Units

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Chapter 2 – Referenced Publications

- General
- NFPA Publications
- Other Publications
- References for Extracts in Mandatory Sections

Chapter 3 – Definitions

- General
- NFPA Official Definitions
- General Definitions

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NFPA 13D

Scope

- Design, installation, and maintenance of automatic sprinkler systems in one- and two-family dwellings and manufactured homes
- Does not include water mist systems
- Protects against single point of ignition fire

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NFPA 13D



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Manufactured Homes



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Townhouses



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Dwelling



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Purpose

NFPA 13 – Property Protection & Life Safety

NFPA 13D – Life Safety


- Detection and Control
- Prevent Flashover

NFPA 13R – Life Safety

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Module 2

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General Requirements and Components

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Chapter 4 – General Requirements

- Sprinkler Temperature Ratings
- Tube
- Listed or Labeled
- Smoke Alarms
- Documentation
- Qualifications

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Chapter 5 – System Components

- General
- Aboveground Pipe and Equipment
- Underground Pipe
- Pre-engineered Systems

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NFPA 13D Listing Requirements

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- Are the following required to be listed for fire protection in NFPA 13D?



Hangers

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- Requirements coordinate with the local plumbing codes
- Listed pipe may have additional requirements
- Not listed



Valves

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- Control valves
- Not Listed



Valves

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- Waterflow valves
- Not listed




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Devices

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- Waterflow detection devices
- Not Listed




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Devices

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- Backflow device (where applicable)
- Not Listed





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Water Meters

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- Water meter (where applicable)
- Not Listed

* Sizing Water Meters


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NFPA 13D (2013) Table 10.4.3(a)

Meter Size (in.)	Flow (gpm)					
	18 or less	23	26	31	39	52
5/8	9	14	18	26	38	*
3/4	7	11	14	22	35	*
1	2	3	3	4	6	10
1 1/2	1	1	2	2	4	7
2	1	1	1	1	2	3

*Above maximum rated flow of commonly available meter

- Table may be used even if flow exceeds the meter's rated continuous flow
- Higher pressure loss specified by manufacturer shall be used in place of table.




* Sizing Water Meters

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Note on maximum rated flow of water meters:


- A research project conducted by Fire Protection Research Foundation, "Residential Fire Sprinklers - Water Usage and Water Meter Performance Study" showed that domestic water meters can be flowed above their maximum rated flow successfully and without damage.



Pumps

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- Part of domestic water supply
- Not Listed




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Pumps

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- Not part of the domestic water supply
- Not listed (but some special requirements)




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Tanks

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- Not listed



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Bonus

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- What is required by the IRC to be listed?



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- Fast response
 - RTI of $50 (ms)^{1/2}$
- Coverage area is part of listing
- UL 1626 or FM 2030
 - Construction tests
 - Performance tests
 - 25-30 different tests
 - Production tests



Performance Tests

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- Fire Test



Residential Sprinklers in Basements

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- Residential sprinklers can be installed in a position such that an anticipated future ceiling is assumed
- Pipe restrictions



Dry-Type Sprinklers

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- Quick Response used for unheated areas



Pipe and Fittings

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- Steel Pipe
 - Comply with standards referenced or listed
 - **ASTM A795** Standard Specification for Black and Hot-Dipped Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Welded and Seamless Steel Pipe for Fire Protection Use
 - **ASTM A53** Standard Specification for Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless
 - **ANSI B36.10M** Welded and Seamless Wrought Steel Pipe
 - **ASTM A135** Standard Specification for Electric-Resistance-Welded Steel Pipe
 - Schedule 10 mechanical groove couplings approved for service

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Pipe and Fittings

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- Steel Fittings
 - Comply with standards referenced or listed
 - ASME B16.4
 - ASME B16.1
 - ASME B16.3
 - ASME B16.9
 - ASME B16.25
 - ASTM A234
 - ASME B16.5
 - ASME B16.11

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Copper



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Pipe and Fittings

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- Copper Tube
 - Comply with standards referenced or listed
 - ASTM B75 Standard Specification for Seamless Copper Tube [Copper Tube (Drawn, Seamless)]
 - ASTM B88 Standard Specification for Seamless Copper Water Tube
 - ASTM B251 Standard Specification for General Requirements for Wrought Seamless Copper and Copper-Alloy Tube
 - ASTM B813 Standard Specification for Liquid and Paste Fluxes for Soldering Applications of Copper and Copper-Alloy Tube
 - AWS A5.8 Specification for Filler Metals for Brazing and Braze Welding (BCuP, copper-phosphorus, or copper-phosphorus-silver brazing filler metal)
 - ASTM B32 Standard Specification for Solder Metal [alloy grades containing less than 0.2 percent lead as identified in ASTM B32, Table 5, Section 1, and having a solidus temperature that exceeds 400°F (204°C)]
 - ASTM B43 Standard Specification for Seamless Red Brass Pipe

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Pipe and Fittings

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- Copper Fittings
 - Comply with standards referenced or listed
 - ASME B16.22
 - ASME B16.18
 - ANSI/ASME B16.15

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Pipe and Fittings


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- Nonmetallic
 - Chlorinated polyvinyl chloride (CPVC)
 - Crosslinked polyethylene (PEX)

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Other Joining Methods

- Investigated
- Listed




Underground Pipe

- Any type of pipe or tube acceptable under the applicable **plumbing code** for underground supply pipe shall be acceptable as underground for fire sprinkler system when installed between the point of connection and system riser.




Module 3



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Water Supply



Chapter 6 – Water Supply

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- General Provisions
- Water Supply Sources
- Multipurpose Piping System
- Manufactured Home Water Supply
- Common Supply Piping

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Water Supply

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Duration

- 10 minutes
- 7 minutes
 - One story
 - Less than 2000 ft² in area
- Combine storage plus refill rate

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Water Supply

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Source

- Reliable waterworks with or w/o pump
- Elevated tank
- Pressure tank (ASME standards for a pressure vessel w/reliable pressure source)
- Stored water source w/pump
- Well w/pump of sufficient flow and pressure

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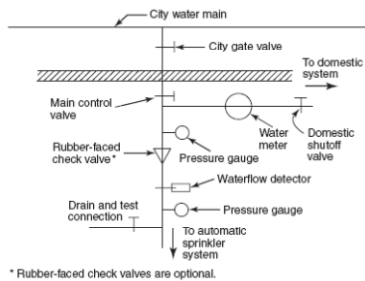
Water Supply

Control Valve

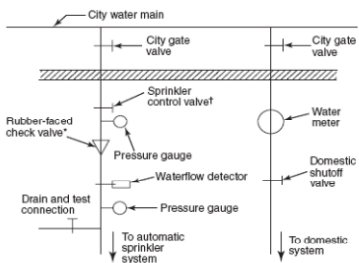
6.2.3 Where more than one dwelling unit is served by the same water supply pipe, each dwelling units shall have an individual control valve that serves the fire sprinklers system in that dwelling unit and the owner shall have access to the valve that controls the sprinkler system in their unit. The control valve shall be permitted to serve the domestic water supply.

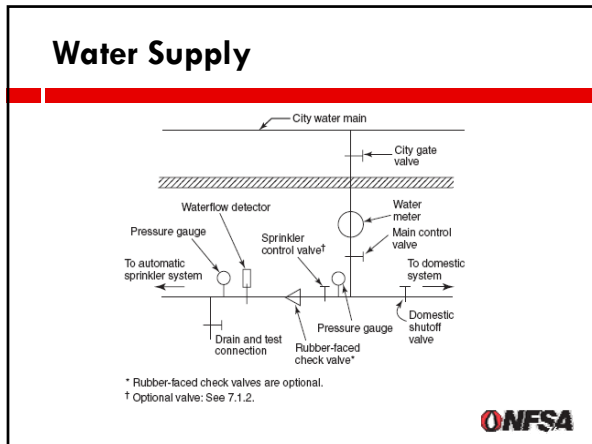


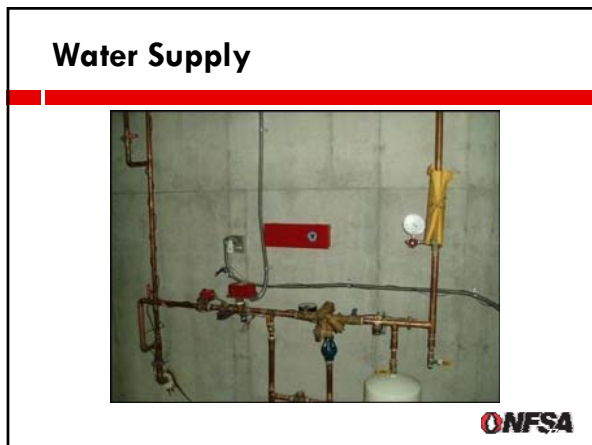
Water Supply



Water Supply







Pump and Well

A well with a pump of sufficient capacity and pressure to meet the sprinkler system demand. The stored water requirement of [6.1.2](#) or [6.1.3](#) shall be permitted to be a combination of the water in the well (including the refill rate) plus the water in the holding tank if such tank can supply the sprinkler system

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Residential Riser on Well



Water Supply

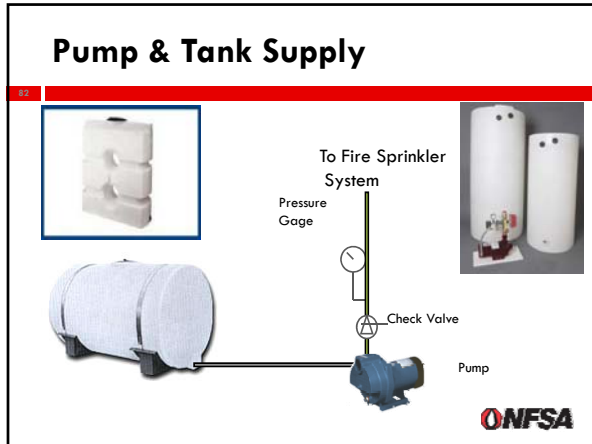
- Prior to system acceptance, a system utilizing a pump shall be tested by opening the drain/test connection. The pump shall sense the flow, turn on, and flow water for the required duration of [6.1.2](#) or [6.1.3](#) (as appropriate) without interruption.

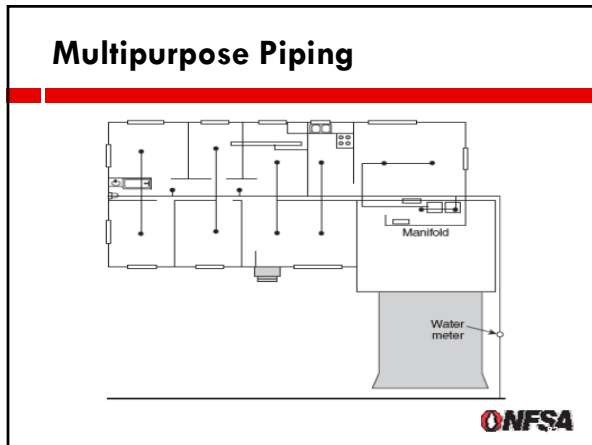


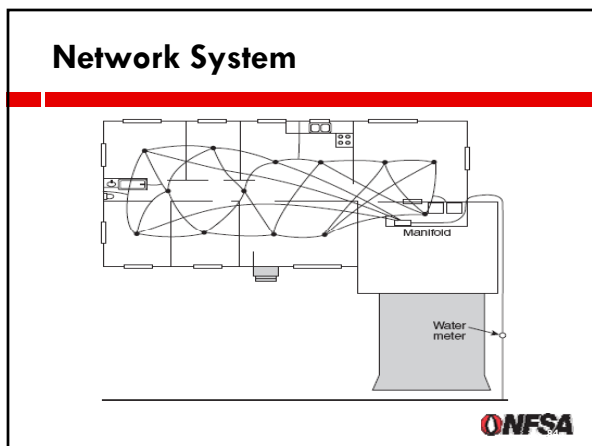
Pump and Tank

- Where a pump and tank is the source of supply for a fire sprinkler system but is not a portion of the domestic water system, the following shall be met:
 - A test connection
 - Pump motors using ac power shall be connected to a 240 V normal circuit.
 - Approved disconnecting means.
 - Refilling means piped to the tank.
 - Exterior water level indicator for tank
 - Pump not directly on the floor.

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≥ 1 1/2"
above the
floor







Network System



Multipurpose Systems

Warning, the water system for this home supplies fire sprinklers that require certain flows and pressures to fight a fire. Devices that restrict the flow or decrease the pressure or automatically shut off the water to the fire sprinkler system, such as water softeners, filtration systems, and automatic shutoff valves, shall not be added to this system without a review of the fire sprinkler system by a fire protection specialist. Do not remove this sign.



Manufactured Home Water Supply

For sprinklered buildings manufactured off-site, the minimum pressure needed to satisfy the system design criteria on the system side of the meter shall be specified on a nameplate by the manufacturer.

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flow and pressure



Common Supply Pipes

- Where water treatment and filtration are installed, one of the following conditions shall be met:
 - ▣ Equipment shall be taken into account in the hydraulic calculations.
 - ▣ An automatic bypass shall be installed around the water treatment equipment that directs all water directly to the system.



Module 4



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Installation



Chapter 7 – Installation

- Valves
- Drains & Test Connections
- Pressure Gauges
- Piping Support
- Sprinklers
- Alarms
- Attics



Valves, Drains, TCs & Gauges

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- Minimum 1/2 inch drain
- Valve in drain pipe

Labels in diagram: CITY WATER MAIN, CITY GATE VALVE, TO DOMESTIC WATER, DOMESTIC SHUTOFF VALVE, WATER METER, CHECK VALVE OR BACKFLOW PREVENTER IF REQUIRED BY LOCAL AUTHORITY, WATERFLOW DETECTOR NOT REQUIRED IF RESIDENCE IS EQUIPPED WITH SMOKE ALARMS PER NFPA 72, PRESSURE GAUGE, TO AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM, TEST & DRAIN CONNECTION, SINGLE CONTROL VALVE SERVING BOTH FIRE AND DOMESTIC SYSTEMS, PRESSURE GAUGE, ONFSA

Valves, Drains, TCs & Gauges

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Labels in photos: ONFSA

Valves, Drains, TCs & Gauges

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- Pressure Gauges required:
 - Dry Systems
 - Pressure Tank

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Gauges not listed

Labels in photo: ONFSA

Piping Support



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Hangers

- Not listed
- Requirements coordinate with the local plumbing codes
- Listed pipe may have additional requirements
- Lateral support necessary when laid on joists, etc.
- Prevent movement of piping upon sprinkler operation

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Sprinklers





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Sprinklers

- Listed
- Residential
 - Wet systems only unless listed for dry
- QR Exceptions:
 - QR dry sprinklers for unheated / not living areas
 - QR sprinklers for mechanical closets
 - QR sprinklers for saunas / high-temperature applications



Temperature Ratings







Temperature Ratings

Sprinklers near specific Heat Sources

Heat Source	Ordinary temp. sprinkler	Intermediate temp. sprinkler
Side of fireplace	36 in.	12 in.
Front of fireplace	60 in.	36 in.
Kitchen range	18 in.	9 in.
Light fixture (0W-250W)	6 in.	3 in.



Painting



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Escutcheon Plates



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Solvent Cement



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Alarms

- Local waterflow alarms shall be provided on all sprinkler systems in homes not equipped with smoke alarms or smoke detectors in accordance with *NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code*.
- Smoke alarms in accordance with NFPA 72 required in new construction dwelling units by IRC Section R314.



Attics

- When nonmetallic piping is installed in attics, adequate insulation shall be provided on the attic side of the piping to avoid exposure of the piping to temperatures **in excess** of the pipe's rated temperature.



Module 5

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**Sprinkler
Position and
Location**




Chapter 8 – Sprinkler Position and Location

- Design Criteria
- Position of Sprinklers
- Location of Sprinklers


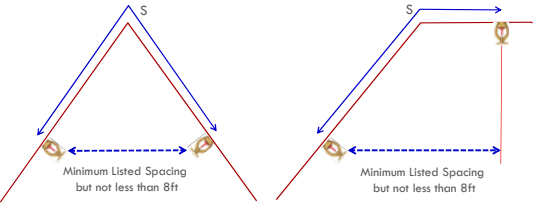


Position and Location

- Design Criteria
 - Sloped ceilings
 - Nonresidential sprinklers
 - Sprinkler coverage
 - Operating pressure




Sloped Ceilings



Nonresidential Sprinklers

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- Installed in accordance with the coverage criteria specified by NFPA 13.
- QR dry sprinklers for unheated / not living areas
- QR sprinklers for mechanical closets
- QR sprinklers for saunas / high-temperature applications



Residential Sprinklers

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Courtesy of Reliable Sprinkler

Courtesy of Tyco Fire Products



Sprinkler Coverage



Area of Coverage

Maximum Coverage Area ⁽¹⁾ ft. x ft. (m x m)	Maximum Spacing ft. (m)	WET PIPE SYSTEM		Drivector to Ceiling	Installation Type	Minimum Spacing ft. (m)
		Minimum Flow and Residual Pressure ⁽²⁾				
		Ordinary Temp Rating NOF ⁽³⁾ (°C)	Pressure #PSI (Bar)			
12 x 12 (3.7 x 3.7)	12 (3.7)	13 (15.2)	7.0 (0.48)	Smooth Ceilings 2/8 to 1-1/8 inches		
12 x 12 (3.7 x 3.7)	12 (3.7)	15 (17.2)	7.0 (0.48)			
12 x 14 (3.7 x 4.3)	14 (4.3)	13 (15.2)	7.0 (0.48)	Smooth Ceilings 2/8 to 1-1/8 inches		
12 x 14 (3.7 x 4.3)	14 (4.3)	15 (17.2)	7.0 (0.48)			
12 x 16 (3.7 x 4.9)	16 (4.9)	13 (15.2)	7.0 (0.48)	Smooth Ceilings 2/8 to 1-1/8 inches or Concealed	B C/A/B	
12 x 16 (3.7 x 4.9)	16 (4.9)	15 (17.2)	7.0 (0.48)			
12 x 18 (3.7 x 5.5)	18 (5.5)	13 (15.2)	7.0 (0.48)	Smooth 2/8 to 1-1/8 inches below bottom of beam		
12 x 18 (3.7 x 5.5)	18 (5.5)	15 (17.2)	7.0 (0.48)			
20 x 20 (6.1 x 6.1)	20 (6.1)	20 (23.2)	10.7 (0.72)			

(1) For coverage area dimensions less than or between those indicated, use the minimum required flow for the next highest coverage area for which hydraulic design section under this design criteria set is listed.
 (2) The minimum flow requirement is based on minimum flow to operate a PMF from each sprinkler. The associated residual pressures are calculated using the nominal K-factor. Refer to "Hydraulic Design" in the Design Criteria section for details.
 (3) For NFPA 13 residential applications, the greater of 0.1 gpm/ft² over the design area or the flow in accordance with the criteria in this table must be used.

TABLE A
 WET PIPE SYSTEM
 SERIES LFI RESIDENTIAL FLAT-PLATE CONCEALED PENDENT SPRINKLER (TY2524)
 NFPA 13D, 13R, AND 13 HYDRAULIC DESIGN CRITERIA

Position and Location

- Position of Sprinklers
 - Upright & Pendent
 - Sidewall
 - Nonresidential
 - Basements without ceilings
 - Obstructions
 - Exposed barrel lengths

Upright, Pendent, Sidewall

- Upright & Pendent
 - 1 to 4 inches from ceiling
 - Listing Requirements
 - 12 inches in closets to avoid obstructions
- Sidewall
 - 4 to 6 inches from ceiling
 - Listing Requirements
 - No more than 6 inches from the wall on which they are mounted.

Basements Without Ceilings

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Obstructions

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- Closets
- Pendant Sprinklers
- Sidewall sprinklers
- Continuous Obstructions to Pendant Sprinklers
- Continuous Obstructions to Sidewall Sprinklers
- Soffits & Cabinets

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Closets



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Pendent Sprinklers



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Sidewall Sprinklers



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Pendent Sprinklers



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Obstructions

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A	B
0-17 in.	0 in.
18-35 in.	1 in.
36-47 in.	3 in.
48-53 in.	5 in.

$A \geq (D - 8\text{in}) + B$
Where $D \leq 30$ in

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Obstructions

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$\leq 4\text{ft}$

$\leq 1/2 S$

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Sidewall Sprinklers

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- Same basic rules
- More sensitive to obstructions
- Some unique rules

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Obstructions

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A	B
Less 8 ft	NP
8-10 ft.	1 in.
10-11ft.	2 in.
11-12 ft.	3 in.

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Obstructions

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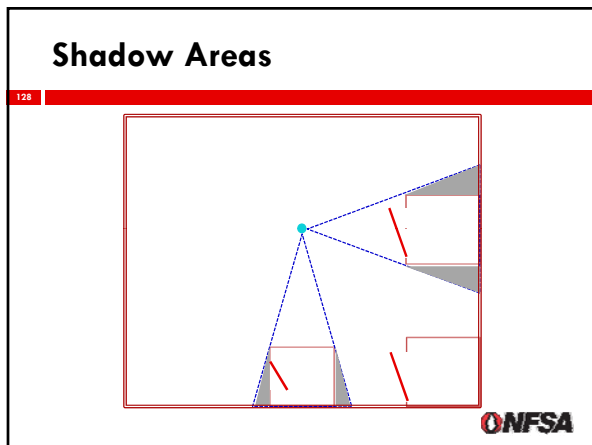
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48-53 in.	5 in.

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Obstructions

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New in 2016 Edition


- Certain Architectural Features
 - NFPA 13D Section 8.2.5.7
 - Moved from Annex A to body of the standard
 - Related but distinct from Shadow Areas
 - "Small areas created by architectural features, such as planter box windows, bay windows, and similar features..."

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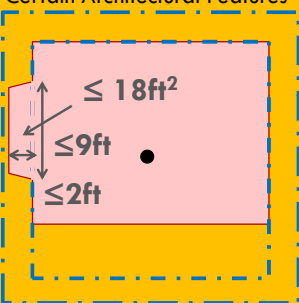
8.2.5.7 Architectural features

- (1) No floor area created, no additional sprinklers required
- (2) Floor area created, no additional sprinklers required if:
 - (a) $\leq 18\text{ft}^2$
 - (b) $\leq 2\text{ ft deep}$
 - (c) $\leq 9\text{ ft long}$
 - (d) deepest point to sprinkler \leq maximum listed sprinkler spacing
- (3) Hydraulic design may omit area



New in 2016 Edition

□ Certain Architectural Features



Dry Sprinklers

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Dry Sprinklers

X = Minimum exposed barrel length
X is measured from the face of the sprinkler fitting to the inside surface of the exterior wall or insulation — whichever is closer to the fitting.

Table 8.2.6.1(a) Exposed Barrel Lengths for Dry Sprinklers (U.S. Customary Units)

Ambient Temperature Exposed to Discharge End of Sprinkler (°F)	Minimum Exposed Barrel Length when Exposed to 40°F (in.)	Minimum Exposed Barrel Length when Exposed to 50°F (in.)	Minimum Exposed Barrel Length when Exposed to 60°F (in.)
40	0	0	0
30	0	0	0
20	4	0	0
10	8	1	0
0	12	3	0
-10	14	4	1
-20	14	6	3
-30	16	8	4
-40	18	8	4
-50	20	10	6
-60	20	10	6

Dry Sidewall Sprinklers

Dry Pendent Sprinklers

Position and Location

□ Location of Sprinklers
All areas EXCEPT

- ▣ Bathrooms <55 ft²
- ▣ Certain small closets
- ▣ Garages, carports, open attached porches
- ▣ Attics & concealed spaces not used for living
- ▣ Certain Fuel Fire Equipment Spaces
- ▣ Entrance vestibules (not the only means of egress)
- ▣ Ceiling Pockets
- ▣ Exterior closets

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NFPA 13D
Standard for the
Installation of Sprinkler Systems
in One- and Two-Family
Dwellings and Manufactured Homes

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Protection from
Freezing

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Chapter 9 – Protection from Freezing



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Systems in Areas Below 40°F

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- Dry Pipe or Preaction System
- Antifreeze System
- Listed Standard Dry Pendent or Sidewall Sprinklers
- Listed Heat Tracing
- Listed Residential Dry Pendent or Sidewall Sprinklers

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Antifreeze

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- Antifreeze solution must be listed
 - Except for existing systems
 - Glycerine - 50% maximum
 - Propylene glycol - 40% maximum
 - Except where acceptable to AHJ
 - Glycerine - 48% maximum
 - Propylene glycol - 38% maximum
 - Must be premixed
- Expansion tanks (where applicable) do not have to be listed

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Protection from Freezing

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Tenting

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Hard Tenting



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Heated Attic Space with Spray on Insulation




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Discharge and Hydraulic Calculations



Chapter 10 – Discharge & Calculations

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- Design Discharge
- Number of Design Sprinklers
- Pipe Configurations
- Pipe Sizing



Design Area for NFPA 13D


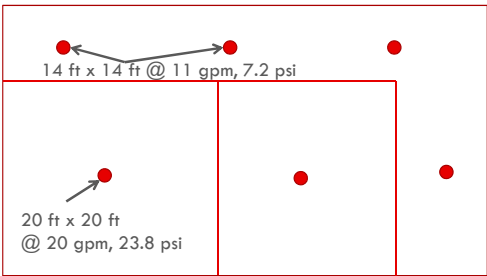
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- All of the sprinklers in a compartment up to 2
 - If all compartments are protected with one sprinkler, design area would be one sprinkler
 - If some rooms have one sprinkler and others have two or more, may need to do two sets of calculations



Same Sprinkler (V2902) - Different Listings

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Sprinkler Calculations for Example on Previous Slide

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- Two Sprinkler Calculation
 - 22 gpm at 32.2 psi

- Single Sprinkler Calculation
 - 20 gpm at 47 psi

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Two Sprinkler Design

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Five ceiling configurations

1. Flat smooth horizontal ceiling up to 24 feet above the floor.

2. Flat horizontal beamed ceiling
 - Maximum ceiling height of 24 feet
 - Maximum beam depth of 14 inches

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Two Sprinkler Design

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3. Smooth flat sloped ceiling
 - Maximum slope of 8:12
 - Peak not more than 24 feet
 - Highest sprinkler above openings to other rooms

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Two Sprinkler Design

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- 4. Sloped ceiling with beams
 - Maximum beam depth of 14 inches
 - Pendent sprinklers under beams
 - Maximum 600 cu ft compartment
 - Slope between 2:12 and 8:12
 - Maximum 24 feet ceiling at peak
 - Highest sprinkler above openings to other rooms

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Two Sprinkler Design

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- 5. Sloped ceiling with beams
 - Any depth to beams
 - Pendent or sidewall sprinklers in each pocket
 - Maximum 600 cubic feet compartment
 - Slope between 2:12 and 8:12
 - Maximum 24 feet ceiling at peak

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Design Area

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- For ceilings not meeting one of the last five configurations
 - Residential sprinklers can still be used
 - Number of sprinklers in the design area will need to be determined with AHJ
 - There is some limited test data on more steeply pitched ceilings

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Flow and Pressure Requirements

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- Residential sprinklers
 - Listed for a specific area at a specific flow
 - Pendent sprinklers, area is square
 - Sidewall sprinklers can be a rectangle

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Flow and Pressure Requirements

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- Same sprinkler can have many different listings
 - Different area of coverage
 - Different distance from ceiling
 - Concealed, recessed, semi, etc.
- Example – R3531 HSW
 - 16 x 16 @ 16 gpm (13.3 psi) 4-6" below ceiling
 - 16 x 16 @ 17 gpm (15 psi) 6-12" below ceiling

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Flow and Pressure Requirements

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- Which sprinkler is selected?
- How it is being used?
 - Area
 - Special characteristics
 - Flow and pressure demand

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Water Supply Additions

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- No hose stream demand
- Add 5 gpm for combined domestic/sprinkler systems that serve more than one dwelling unit
 - Add where sprinkler system is connected to domestic

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Sizing Tanks

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- 7 minute duration
 - 1 story
 - Less than 2000 sq ft
- Other dwellings, 10 minute duration
- Size of tank
 - Tank size = Flow x Duration
 - (Reliable refill rate)

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Tank Sizing Example 1

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- Single story home, 1800 sq ft
- TY1234 sprinklers
 - 14 x 14 spacing
 - 11 gpm
- Demand at tank
 - 22 gpm
 - 7 minutes

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Tank Sizing Example 1

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- Single story home, 1800 sq ft
- TY1234 sprinklers
 - 14 x 14 spacing
 - 11 gpm
- Demand at tank
 - 22 gpm
 - 7 minutes
- **Tank size = 22 x 7 = 154 gal**

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Tank Sizing Example 2

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- Two story home, 4000 sq ft
- GL4248 sprinklers
 - 20 x 20 spacing
 - 20 gpm
- Demand at tank
 - 40 gpm
 - 10 minutes

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Tank Sizing Example 2

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- Two story home, 4000 sq ft
- GL4248 sprinklers
 - 20 x 20 spacing
 - 20 gpm
- Demand at tank
 - 40 gpm
 - 10 minutes
- **Tank size = 40 x 10 = 400 gal**


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Selecting Pipe Size

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- Four acceptable calculation Methods
 1. NFPA 13
 2. General method
 3. Prescriptive method (similar to IRC P2904)
 4. Network systems


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Selecting Pipe Size

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- NFPA 13 with 2 variations
 - Count flow straight through tees
 - Compare demand pressure to static pressure
- Required for 1/2 inch pipe in network system
- Required for loops or grids



Interpolation of Tables

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- The 12-step General Method and the 8-step Prescriptive Method use a lot of tables
- Don't interpolate unless the standard permits
 - Tables 10.4.9.2(c) through (h)



Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method

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1. Determine P_{sup} – static water supply pressure
2. Determine PL_{svc} – pressure loss in the service pipe, Table 10.4.9.2(a)
3. Determine PL_m – meter loss Table 10.4.3(a)
4. Determine PL_d – loss from other devices (backflow, filter, PRV, softener)
5. Determine PL_e – loss due to elevation, Table 10.4.9.2(b)
6. Determine PL_{sp} – pressure needed for sprinkler



Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method

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7. Calculate PL_f – pressure available for friction loss
8. Determine maximum allowable pipe length, Tables 10.4.9.2(c) through (h)

$$PL_f = P_{sup} - PL_{svc} - PL_m - PL_d - PL_e - PL_{sp}$$



Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method

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- No special accounting for fittings
 - Friction loss tables for pipe are very conservative and already account for fittings

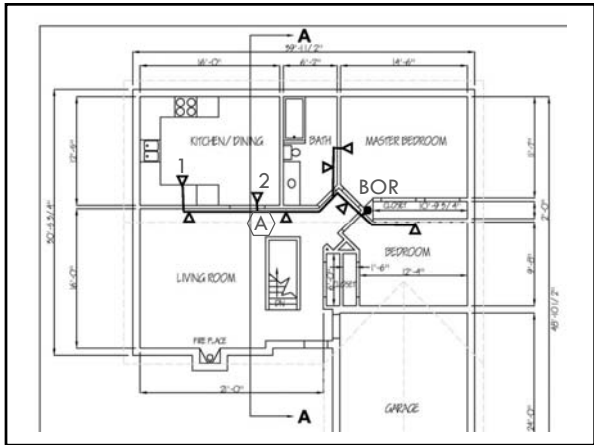


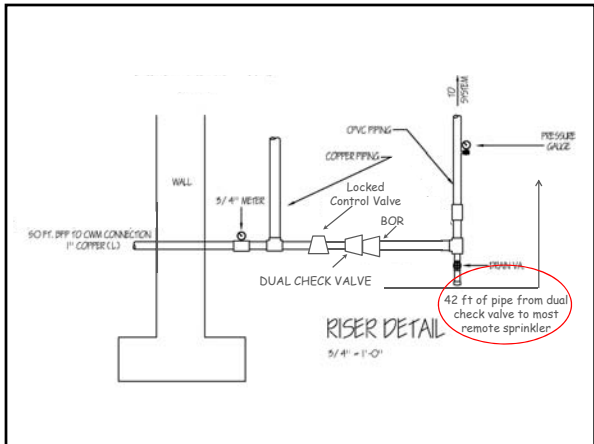
Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method Example

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- Sprinkler
 - VK486, Recessed HSW (k-4.0)
 - 16 ft x 16 ft listing, 13 gpm, 10.6 psi
- Pipe
 - 1" CPVC above ground
 - 1" Type L copper underground
- 3/4 inch meter
- Water Supply
 - 50 ft from the dual check valve
 - Static Pressure of 60 psi







Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method Example

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1. $P_{sup} = 60$ psi
2. PL_{svc} : Table 10.4.9.2(a) Water Service Pressure Loss (PL_{svc})

Flow Rate* (gpm)	½ in. Water Service Pressure Loss (psi)				1 in. Water Service Pressure Loss (psi)			
	40 ft or less	41 ft to 75 ft	76 ft to 100 ft	101 ft to 150 ft	40 ft or less	41 ft to 75 ft	76 ft to 100 ft	101 ft to 150 ft
8	5.1	9.7	11.9	17.4	1.5	2.5	3.4	5.1
10	7.7	13.1	17.8	26.5	2.3	3.8	5.2	7.7
12	10.6	18.4	24.9	NP	3.2	5.4	7.3	10.7
14	14.4	24.5	NP	NP	4.2	7.1	9.6	14.3
16	18.4	NP	NP	NP	5.4	9.1	12.4	18.3
18	22.9	NP	NP	NP	6.7	11.4	15.4	22.7
20	27.8	NP	NP	NP	8.1	13.8	18.7	27.6
22	NP	NP	NP	NP	9.7	16.5	22.5	NP
24	NP	NP	NP	NP	11.4	19.5	26.2	NP
26	NP	NP	NP	NP	13.2	22.4	NP	NP
28	NP	NP	NP	NP	15.1	25.7	NP	NP
30	NP	NP	NP	NP	17.2	NP	NP	NP
32	NP	NP	NP	NP	19.4	NP	NP	NP
34	NP	NP	NP	NP	21.7	NP	NP	NP
36	NP	NP	NP	NP	24.1	NP	NP	NP

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Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method Example

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3. $PL_m = 14$ psi
4. $PL_d = 2.2$ psi (dual check valve)
5. $PL_e = 6.5$ psi

Table 10.4.9.2(b) Elevation Loss (PL_e)

Elevation (ft)	Pressure Loss (psi)
5	2.2
10	4.4
15	6.5
20	8.7
25	10.9
30	13.0
35	15.2
40	17.4

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Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method Example

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6. $PL_{sp} = 10.6$ psi
7. $PL_t = P_{sup} - PL_{svc} - PL_m - PL_d - PL_e - PL_{sp}$

$PL_t = 60 - 22.4 - 14 - 2.2 - 6.5 - 10.6$

$PL_t = 4.3$ psi

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1 ¼ Inch Water Service

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- Changes PL_{svc} from 22.4 to 8.5 psi

$$PL_i = 60 - 8.5 - 14 - 2.2 - 6.5 - 10.6$$

$PL_i = 18.2$ psi

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Table 10.4.9.2(f) for 1" CPVC

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Sprinkler Flow Rate ^a (gpm)	Water Distribution Size (in.)	Available Pressure, P_a (psi)						
		15	20	25	30	35	40	45
		Allowable Length of Pipe from Service Valve to Earth						
8	1	1049	1388	1748	2098	2447	2797	3146
9	1	845	1125	1406	1687	1968	2249	2530
10	1	694	925	1157	1388	1619	1851	2082
11	1	568	736	904	1072	1240	1408	1576
12	1	469	600	729	858	987	1116	1245
13	1	397	509	612	715	818	921	1024
14	1	342	437	524	611	698	785	872
15	1	298	377	446	515	584	653	722
16	1	261	328	385	442	499	556	613
17	1	229	287	335	383	431	479	527
18	1	201	251	291	331	371	411	451
19	1	176	216	246	276	306	336	366
20	1	154	184	204	224	244	264	284
21	1	134	154	174	194	214	234	254
22	1	116	136	156	176	196	216	236
23	1	100	116	132	148	164	180	196
24	1	86	96	106	116	126	136	146
25	1	74	79	84	89	94	99	104
26	1	63	66	69	72	75	78	81
27	1	54	56	58	60	62	64	66
28	1	46	47	48	49	50	51	52
29	1	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
30	1	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
32	1	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
34	1	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
36	1	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
38	1	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
40	1	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

$PL_i = 18.2$ psi

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Prescriptive Pipe Sizing Method Example

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- Our revised layout will work as long as there is not more than 118 ft of 1" CPVC from the control valve to the most remote sprinkler
- In our layout, the distance to the most remote sprinkler is only 42 ft
- The revised layout works


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Comparing Demand Calculation to Static Pressure

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- 10.4.9.2(1) specifically says to use the static pressure for the 8 Step Prescriptive Method
- 10.4.3 implies that it is the static pressure that is used for the 12 Step General Method
- Use of static pressure for calculated systems should be permitted as an equivalency

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static pressure only for mains $\geq 4''$




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System Acceptance and ITM




Chapter 11 - System Acceptance

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- General
- Acceptance Tests

Chapter 12 - ITM


- General
- Inspections and Tests
- Maintenance



Seminar Learning Outcomes

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1. Discuss the scope and application of sprinkler standards for one and two family dwellings and townhomes.
2. Identify the requirements for residential fire sprinkler system installation in accordance with NFSA 13D and IRC P2904.
3. Apply the installation requirements and calculation procedures to various residential layouts.



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