

Policy Statement

Hopkins Fire Prevention Bureau

Date: January 30, 1992

Subject: Automatic Sprinkler System & Standpipe System Maintenance

Section 10.302 of the Minnesota Uniform Fire Code requires that all automatic sprinkler systems and standpipe systems be maintained in good operating condition.

Fire Department Connections:

Fire department connections shall be unobstructed within a minimum 3 ft. circumference.

Caps or plugs must be in place at all times. Upon inspection, if the Caps **or plugs are not in place and** debris is found inside the fire department connection, the piping shall be required to be dismantled and cleaned.

Automatic Sprinkler Systems:

Annual service and testing is required by an authorized service technician in accordance with nationally recognized standards.

A copy of all service and maintenance reports shall be kept on the premises for a minimum of five years for review by the Hopkins Fire Department-

- Prior to any testing the Hopkins Fire Dispatcher shall be notified at phone no. 938-8885
- A monthly visual inspection of the sprinkler system should be performed to
- Control valves and water supply valves are sealed or locked open
- Sprinkler heads have proper clearances - 18 inches below head minimum
- Piping is free of any obvious physical damage

Standpipe Systems:

A monthly visual inspection of the standpipe system should be performed to insure:

- Water supply valves are sealed or locked open
- Hose connection caps are in place on each floor
- Piping is free of any obvious physical damage

Note: If any of the above systems are taken out of service for more than 8 hours the Hopkins Fire Department shall be notified.

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