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NOTE: This guide specification covers the requirements for preaction and deluge fire protection sprinkler systems.

Edit this guide specification for project specific requirements by adding, deleting, or revising text. For bracketed items, choose applicable items(s) or insert appropriate information.

Remove information and requirements not required in respective project, whether or not brackets are present.

Comments and suggestions on this guide specification are welcome and should be directed to the technical proponent of the specification. A listing of technical proponents, including their organization designation and telephone number, is on the Internet.

Recommended changes to a UFGS should be submitted as a Criteria Change Request (CCR).

PART 1 GENERAL

NOTE: Because preaction systems are more costly, less reliable, and require more maintenance than wet-pipe systems, they should be used only where justified by occupancy conditions. Deluge systems are "open head" systems which discharge all sprinklers upon system actuation. The use of deluge systems should be limited to special hazard situations.

The Designer will edit this specification section for either a performance-designed system or a fully designed system as applicable.

This specification section is primarily intended for

performance designed systems, i.e. systems where the size, layout, and support of branch lines and cross mains, and the layout of sprinkler heads will be designed by the Contractor.

The Designer will provide the following information in the contract documents for performance designed systems. This information will be in accordance with Military Handbook 1008C.

- (1) Show the layout and size of all piping and equipment from the point of connection to the water supply, to the sprinkler cross mains. The contract drawings must include a detailed sprinkler riser diagram. Water velocity in the piping should not exceed 6 m/s (20 ft/s).
- (2) Show location and size of service mains, interior feed mains, control valves, sprinkler risers, drain lines, sectional valves, and inspector's test valves and switches on the drawings.
- (3) Specify waterflow data including hydrant flow results, including the location where the hydrant flow test was conducted, the location and size of existing mains and new water supply lines that will serve the sprinkler system (including all supervisory valves), and the location and size of all risers.
- (4) Highlight or clearly indicate the area(s) to be protected by sprinklers on the drawings.
- (5) Specify waterflow requirements including the design density, design area, the hose stream demand (including location of the hose stream demand), the duration of supply, and sprinkler spacing and area of coverage in this section.
- (6) Show the location of the backflow preventer (including provisions for a drain and access for maintenance) where the potable water supply system is at risk of contamination by the sprinkler system on the drawings.
- (7) Show all provisions necessary for forward flow testing of the backflow preventer at system demand as required by NFPA 13 on the drawings. Indicate location of all components and required items including test ports for pressure measurements both upstream and downstream of the backflow preventer, a drain to the building exterior, and appropriate, permanent means of disposing of the large quantity of water that will be involved in the initial test and subsequent annual tests.
- (8) Air compressors, including controls and complete installation details, including piping, control valves, mounting base.

(9) Highlight all concealed spaces on the drawings that require sprinkler protection, such as spaces above suspended ceilings that are either built of combustible material or are intended for storing combustible materials.

(10) Provide details on the drawings of pipe restraints for underground piping. This includes details of pipe clamps, tie rods, mechanical retainer glands, and thrust blocks.

When connecting to an existing water distribution system, waterflow tests will be conducted to determine available water supply for the sprinkler system. The Designer will either perform or witness the waterflow test. The waterflow test results (including date test is performed) should be included in the Project Development Brochure; however it is critical that the waterflow test results be included in the design documents no later than the concept submission. Note that the availability of and funding for the Designer to participate or witness the waterflow test will be necessary. The need for fire pumps or a water tank can in many instances have a significant impact on the amount programmed for design and construction of a facility.

A fully designed system will include the items listed above and all additional information required that is required by Military Handbook 1008C and NFPA 13 for a fully operational system.

1.1 REFERENCES

NOTE: This paragraph is used to list the publications cited in the text of the guide specification. The publications are referred to in the text by basic designation only and listed in this paragraph by organization, designation, date, and title.

Use the Reference Wizard's Check Reference feature when you add a RID outside of the Section's Reference Article to automatically place the reference in the Reference Article. Also use the Reference Wizard's Check Reference feature to update the issue dates.

References not used in the text will automatically be deleted from this section of the project specification when you choose to reconcile references in the publish print process.

The publications listed below form a part of this specification to the

extent referenced. The publications are referred to within the text by the basic designation only.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SANITARY ENGINEERING (ASSE)

ASSE 1015 (2005) Double Check Backflow Prevention Assemblies and Double Check Fire Protection Backflow Prevention Assemblies

AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION (AWWA)

AWWA 10084 (2005) Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater

AWWA B300 (2004) Hypochlorites

AWWA B301 (2004) Liquid Chlorine

AWWA C104/A21.4 (2003) Cement-Mortar Lining for Ductile-Iron Pipe and Fittings for Water

AWWA C110/A21.10 (2003) Ductile-Iron and Gray-Iron Fittings for Water

AWWA C111/A21.11 (2000) Rubber-Gasket Joints for Ductile-Iron Pressure Pipe and Fittings

AWWA C151/A21.51 (2002; Errata 2002) Ductile-Iron Pipe, Centrifugally Cast, for Water

AWWA C203 (2002) Coal-Tar Protective Coatings and Linings for Steel Water Pipelines - Enamel and Tape - Hot-Applied

AWWA C651 (2005; Errata 2005) Standard for Disinfecting Water Mains

AWWA C652 (2002) Disinfection of Water-Storage Facilities

ASME INTERNATIONAL (ASME)

ASME B16.1 (2005) Standard for Gray Iron Threaded Fittings; Classes 125 and 250

ASME B16.11 (2005) Forged Fittings, Socket-Welding and Threaded

ASME B16.21 (2005) Nonmetallic Flat Gaskets for Pipe Flanges

ASME B16.9 (2003) Standard for Factory-Made Wrought Steel Buttwelding Fittings

ASME B18.2.2 (1987; R 2005) Standard for Square and Hex Nuts (Inch Series)

ASTM INTERNATIONAL (ASTM)

ASTM A 135/A 135M	(2006) Standard Specification for Electric-Resistance-Welded Steel Pipe
ASTM A 183	(2003) Standard Specification for Carbon Steel Track Bolts and Nuts
ASTM A 193/A 193M	(2007) Standard Specification for Alloy-Steel and Stainless Steel Bolting Materials for High-Temperature Service
ASTM A 449	(2007b) Specification for Hex Cap Screws, Bolts, and Studs, Steel, Heat Treated, 120/105/90 ksi Minimum Tensile Strength, General Use
ASTM A 47/A 47M	(1999; R 2004) Standard Specification for Steel Sheet, Aluminum-Coated, by the Hot-Dip Process
ASTM A 53/A 53M	(2007) Standard Specification for Pipe, Steel, Black and Hot-Dipped, Zinc-Coated, Welded and Seamless
ASTM A 536	(1984; R 2004) Standard Specification for Ductile Iron Castings
ASTM A 563	(2007a) Standard Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts
ASTM A 563M	(2007) Standard Specification for Carbon and Alloy Steel Nuts (Metric)
ASTM A 795/A 795M	(2007) Standard Specification for Black and Hot-Dipped Zinc-Coated (Galvanized) Welded and Seamless Steel Pipe for Fire Protection Use
ASTM F 436	(2007a) Hardened Steel Washers
ASTM F 436M	(2004) Hardened Steel Washers (Metric)

FM GLOBAL (FM)

FM P7825a	(2005) Approval Guide Fire Protection
FM P7825b	(2005) Approval Guide Electrical Equipment

INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS (IEEE)

IEEE C62.41.1	(2002) IEEE Guide on the Surges Environment in Low-Voltage (1000 V and Less) AC Power Circuits
IEEE C62.41.2	(2002) IEEE Recommended Practice on Characterization of Surges in Low-Voltage (1000 V and Less) AC Power Circuits

MANUFACTURERS STANDARDIZATION SOCIETY OF THE VALVE AND FITTINGS
INDUSTRY (MSS)

MSS SP-71 (2005) Standard for Gray Iron Swing Check
Valves, Flanged and Threaded Ends

NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (NFPA)

NFPA 101 (2005; Errata 2006; TIA 2006; TIA 2006)
Life Safety Code, 2006 Edition

NFPA 13 (2006; Errata 2007) Installation of
Sprinkler Systems

NFPA 13D (2006) Installation of Sprinkler Systems
in One- and Two-Family Dwellings and
Manufactured Homes

NFPA 13R (2006) Installation of Sprinkler Systems
in Residential Occupancies Up to and
Including Four Stories in Height

NFPA 1963 (2003) Standard for Fire Hose Connections

NFPA 24 (2006) Standard for the Installation of
Private Fire Service Mains and Their
Appurtenances

NFPA 70 (2007) National Electrical Code - 2008
Edition

NFPA 72 (2006) National Fire Alarm Code

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CERTIFICATION IN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGIES
(NICET)

NICET 1014-7 (2003) Program Detail Manual for
Certification in the Field of Fire
Protection Engineering Technology (Field
Code 003) Subfield of Automatic Sprinkler
System Layout

UNDERWRITERS LABORATORIES (UL)

UL Bld Mat Dir (2007) Building Materials Directory

UL Fire Prot Dir (2007) Fire Protection Equipment Directory

1.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

[Preaction] [Deluge] sprinkler system(s) shall be provided in [areas indicated on the drawings] [_____]. The sprinkler system shall provide fire sprinkler protection for the entire area. Except as modified herein, the system shall meet the requirements of NFPA 13 and NFPA 72. The sprinkler system shall be a single interlocked system that requires the actuation of an alarm initiating device to open the water control (deluge) valve. The Contractor shall design any portion of the sprinkler system that are not indicated on the drawings including locating sprinklers, piping, and equipment, and size piping and equipment when this information

is not indicated on the drawings or is not specified herein. Pipe sizes which are not indicated on the drawings shall be determined by hydraulic calculations.

1.2.1 Hydraulic Design

NOTE: Applications requiring multiple densities/design areas must be referred to and shown on the drawings.

Systems covering 140 square meters (1500 square feet) or greater will be hydraulically designed. Only systems less than 140 square meters (1500 square feet) may be designed using the pipe schedule method of NFPA 13. This section must be edited if the system is to be designed using the pipe schedule method.

The system shall be hydraulically designed to discharge a minimum density of [_____] L/min per square m gpm/square foot over the hydraulically most demanding [280] [_____] square m [3,000] [_____] square feet of floor area. The minimum pipe size for branch lines in gridded systems shall be 32 mm 1-1/4 inch. Hydraulic calculations shall be in accordance with the Area/Density Method of NFPA 13. Water velocity in the piping shall not exceed 6 m/s 20 ft/s.

1.2.1.1 Hose Demand

An allowance for exterior hose streams of [_____] L/min gpm shall be added to the sprinkler system demand [at the fire hydrant shown on the drawings closest to the point where the water service enters the building] [at the point of connection to the existing water system]. [An allowance for interior hose stations of [_____] L/min gpm shall also be added to the sprinkler system demand.]

1.2.1.2 Basis for Calculations

NOTE: The design must include an adequate water supply to meet the sprinkler water demand. The designer must provide water flow test results and hydraulic calculations to ensure that the system demand will be met.

Design Calculations: The designer will provide detailed hydraulic calculations that clearly demonstrate that the water supply will meet the demand of the sprinkler system and hose streams. Calculations will be submitted with the concept design submission.

The design of the system shall be based on a water supply with a static pressure of [_____] , and a flow of [_____] at a residual pressure of [_____] . Water supply shall be presumed available [at the point of connection to existing] [at the base of the riser] [_____] . Hydraulic calculations shall be based [upon the Hazen-Williams formula with a "C"

value of 120 for galvanized steel piping, 140 for new cement-lined ductile-iron piping, and [100] [_____] for existing underground piping] [on operation of the fire pump(s) provided in Section 21 30 00 FIRE PUMPS].

1.2.2 Sprinkler Coverage

Sprinklers shall be uniformly spaced on branch lines. In buildings protected by automatic sprinklers, sprinklers shall provide coverage throughout 100 percent of the building. This includes, but is not limited to, telephone rooms, electrical equipment rooms, boiler rooms, switchgear rooms, transformer rooms, and other electrical and mechanical spaces. Coverage per sprinkler shall be in accordance with NFPA 13, but shall not exceed 9 square m 100 square feet for extra hazard occupancies, 12 square m 130 square feet for ordinary hazard occupancies, and 21 square m 225 square feet for light hazard occupancies. Exceptions are as follows:

- 1) Facilities that are designed in accordance with NFPA 13R and NFPA 13D.
- 2) Sprinklers may be omitted from small rooms which are exempted for specific occupancies in accordance with NFPA 101.

1.2.3 Control System

NOTE: The drawings must show the following information relative to the control and detection system: preaction or deluge system control panel, source of power for control panel, fire protection valve actuation devices, detectors, manual actuation stations, waterflow pressure switches, supervisory switches; notification appliances; connection to the building fire alarm control panel or other remote monitoring systems, and all power, control, alarm, supervisory and interconnecting wiring. The designer will indicate the complete zoning of initiating devices and specify the descriptive zone labeling for each corresponding system annunciator.

All areas to be protected with preaction sprinklers must be equipped with the detectors necessary to activate the sprinkler system.

The control system shall meet the requirements of NFPA 72. The control panel shall be listed in UL Fire Prot Dir or FM P7825a and FM P7825b for "Releasing Device Service". The control panel and the solenoid valve that activates the water control valves shall be compatible with each other. Compatibility shall be per specific UL listing or FM approval of the control equipment.

1.2.3.1 Power Supply

The primary operating power shall be provided from two single-phase 120 VAC circuits. Transfer from normal to backup power and restoration from backup to normal power shall be fully automatic and shall not initiate a false alarm. Loss of primary power shall not prevent actuation of the respective automatic water control valve upon activation of any alarm initiating device. Backup power shall be provided through use of rechargeable, sealed, lead calcium storage batteries.

1.2.3.2 Circuit Requirements

Alarm initiating devices shall be connected to initiating device circuits (IDC), Style [D] [_____] or to signal line circuits (SLC), Style [6] [_____] in accordance with NFPA 72. Alarm notification or indicating appliances shall be connected to indicating appliance circuit (IAC), Style [W] [X] in accordance with NFPA 72. A separate circuit shall be provided for actuation of each individual automatic water control valve. The circuits that actuate the water control valves shall be fully supervised so that the occurrence of a single open or a single ground fault condition in the interconnecting conductors shall be indicated at the control panel.

1.3 SYSTEM OPERATIONAL FEATURES

NOTE: Delete manual actuation stations when not required. For deluge systems, delete requirements for supervisory air pressure.

The system shall include a heat detection system, manual actuation stations, supervisory and alarm switches, alarm notification appliances, control panel and associated equipment. Preaction sprinkler system piping shall be provided with supervisory air pressure not to exceed 210 kPa 30 psig.

1.3.1 System Actuation

Activation of any [single heat detector] [2 heat detectors] or a single manual actuation station shall actuate alarm zone circuits of the control panel that, in turn, shall actuate the corresponding automatic water control valve. Actuation of the automatic water control valve shall cause water to [fill the preaction system piping and be discharged from fused sprinklers] [discharge from the open sprinklers of the deluge system].

1.3.2 Alarm Functions

NOTE: Drawings must indicate and detail the connection of the system control panel to the building alarm system and/or to the base-wide fire reporting system.

Activation of any heat detector or sprinkler pressure alarm switch or manual actuation station shall cause the illumination of the respective zone annunciator, and [activation of the building fire alarm system] [transmission of the alarm to the base-wide fire reporting system]. Valve tamper alarm shall be monitored by the system control panel and transmitted to the building fire alarm system as a trouble alarm.

1.3.3 Supervisory Functions

The reduction of supervisory air pressure within the sprinkler system piping to less than [70] [_____] kPa [10] [_____] psi or the occurrence of a single open or a single ground fault in any alarm initiating device circuit, in the automatic water control valve actuation circuit, in any alarm indicating appliance circuit or in other electrically supervised

circuit shall cause the individually labelled control panel trouble light to be illuminated, the audible trouble alarm to be activated, and a trouble alarm to be transmitted [to the building fire alarm control panel] [and] [to base-wide fire reporting system].

1.4 COORDINATION OF TRADES

Piping offsets, fittings, and any other accessories required shall be furnished as required to provide a complete installation and to eliminate interference with other construction. Sprinkler shall be installed over and under ducts, piping and platforms when such equipment can negatively effect or disrupt the sprinkler discharge pattern and coverage.

1.5 DELIVERY AND STORAGE

All equipment delivered and placed in storage shall be housed in a manner to preclude any damage from the weather, humidity and temperature variations, dirt and dust, or other contaminants. Additionally, all pipes shall either be capped or plugged until installed.

1.6 FIELD MEASUREMENTS

After becoming familiar with all details of the work, the Contractor shall verify all dimensions in the field, and shall advise the Contracting Officer of any discrepancy before performing the work.

1.7 SUBMITTALS

NOTE: Review submittal description (SD) definitions in Section 01 33 00 SUBMITTAL PROCEDURES and edit the following list to reflect only the submittals required for the project. Submittals should be kept to the minimum required for adequate quality control.

A "G" following a submittal item indicates that the submittal requires Government approval. Some submittals are already marked with a "G". Only delete an existing "G" if the submittal item is not complex and can be reviewed through the Contractor's Quality Control system. Only add a "G" if the submittal is sufficiently important or complex in context of the project.

For submittals requiring Government approval on Army projects, a code of up to three characters within the submittal tags may be used following the "G" designation to indicate the approving authority. Codes for Army projects using the Resident Management System (RMS) are: "AE" for Architect-Engineer; "DO" for District Office (Engineering Division or other organization in the District Office); "AO" for Area Office; "RO" for Resident Office; and "PO" for Project Office. Codes following the "G" typically are not used for Navy, Air Force, and NASA projects.

Choose the first bracketed item for Navy, Air Force and NASA projects, or choose the second bracketed

item for Army projects.

Government approval is required for submittals with a "G" designation; submittals not having a "G" designation are for [Contractor Quality Control approval.] [information only. When used, a designation following the "G" designation identifies the office that will review the submittal for the Government.] The following shall be submitted in accordance with Section 01 33 00 SUBMITTAL PROCEDURES:

SD-02 Shop Drawings

Shop Drawings[; G][; G, [_____]]

[Three] [_____] copies of the Sprinkler System Drawings, no later than [21] [_____] days prior to the start of sprinkler system installation. The Sprinkler System Drawings shall conform to the requirements established for working plans as prescribed in NFPA 13. Drawings shall include plan and elevation views demonstrating that the equipment will fit the allotted spaces with clearance for installation and maintenance. Each set of drawings shall include the following:

- a. Descriptive index of drawings in the submittal with drawings listed in sequence by drawing number. A legend identifying device symbols, nomenclature, and conventions used.
- b. Floor plans drawn to a scale not less than 1:100 1/8" = 1'-0" which clearly show locations of sprinklers, risers, pipe hangers, seismic separation assemblies, sway bracing, inspector's test connections, drains, and other applicable details necessary to clearly describe the proposed arrangement. Each type of fitting used and the locations of bushings, reducing couplings, and welded joints shall be indicated.
- c. Actual center-to-center dimensions between sprinklers on branch lines and between branch lines; from end sprinklers to adjacent walls; from walls to branch lines; from sprinkler feed mains, cross-mains and branch lines to finished floor and roof or ceiling. A detail shall show the dimension from the sprinkler and sprinkler deflector to the ceiling in finished areas.
- d. Longitudinal and transverse building sections showing typical branch line and cross-main pipe routing as well as elevation of each typical sprinkler above finished floor.
- e. Details of each type of riser assembly; pipe hanger; sway bracing for earthquake protection, and restraint of underground water main at point-of-entry into the building, and electrical devices and interconnecting wiring.
- f. Complete point-to-point wiring diagram of the detection and control system. Indicate the detailed interconnection of control panel modules to the devices, the number and size of conductors in each conduit, and size of conduit. Connection points shall be indicated and coordinated with the terminal identification marked on the devices. Complete internal wiring schematic of the control panel and each electrical device shall be provided. Detailed description of the functions of the control panel and each module

shall be provided.

As-Built Drawings

As-built drawings, at least [14] [_____] days after completion of the Final Tests. The Sprinkler System Drawings shall be updated to reflect as-built conditions after all related work is completed and shall be on reproducible full-size mylar film.

SD-03 Product Data

Fire Protection Specialist[; G][; G, [_____]]

The name and documentation of certification of the proposed Fire Protection Specialists, no later than [14] [_____] days after the Notice to Proceed and prior to the submittal of the sprinkler system shop drawings and hydraulic calculations.

The name and documentation of certification of the proposed Fire Protection Specialists, no later than [14] [_____] days after the Notice to Proceed and prior to the submittal of the sprinkler system shop drawings and hydraulic calculations.

Sprinkler System Installer Qualifications

The name and documentation of certification of the proposed Sprinkler System Installer, concurrent with submittal of the Fire Protection Specialist Qualifications.

The name and documentation of certification of the proposed Sprinkler System Installer, concurrent with submittal of the Fire Protection Specialist Qualifications.

Fire Protection Related Submittals

A list of the Fire Protection Related Submittals, no later than [7] [_____] days after the approval of the Fire Protection Specialist.

Sway Bracing

For systems that are required to be protected against damage from earthquakes, load calculations for sizing of [sway bracing](#).

Materials and Equipment[; G][; G, [_____]]

Manufacturer's catalog data included with the Sprinkler System Drawings for all items specified herein. The data shall be highlighted to show model, size, options, etc., that are intended for consideration. Data shall be adequate to demonstrate compliance with all contract requirements. In addition, a complete equipment list that includes equipment description, model number and quantity shall be provided.

Hydraulic Calculations[; G][; G, [_____]]

Hydraulic calculations, including a drawing showing hydraulic reference points and pipe segments.

Storage Batteries[; G][; G, [_____]]

Calculations to substantiate the total requirements for supervisory and alarm power. Ampere-hour requirements for each system component and each control panel component or module, under both normal and alarm conditions shall be included. The battery recharging period shall be included with the calculations.

Spare Parts

Spare parts data for each different item of material and equipment specified.

Preliminary Tests[; G][; G, [_____]]

Proposed procedures for Preliminary Tests, no later than [14] [_____] days prior to the proposed start of the tests.

Proposed date and time to begin Preliminary Tests, submitted with the Preliminary Tests Procedures.

Final Acceptance Tests[; G][; G, [_____]]

Proposed procedures for Final Acceptance Tests, no later than [14] [_____] days prior to the proposed start of the tests.

Proposed date and time to begin Final Acceptance Tests, submitted with the Final Acceptance Test Procedures. Notification shall be provided at least [14] [_____] days prior to the proposed start of the test. Notification shall include a copy of the Contractor's Material & Test Certificates.

On-Site Training[; G][; G, [_____]]

Proposed On-site Training schedule, at least [14] [_____] days prior to the start of related training.

SD-06 Test Reports

Preliminary Tests[; G][; G, [_____]]

[Three] [_____] copies of the completed Preliminary Tests Reports, no later than [7] [_____] days after the completion of the Preliminary Tests. The Preliminary Tests Report shall include both the Contractor's Material and Test Certificate for Underground Piping and the Contractor's Material and Test Certificate for Aboveground Piping. All items in the Preliminary Tests Report shall be signed by the Fire Protection Specialist.

Final Acceptance Tests[; G][; G, [_____]]

[Three] [_____] copies of the completed Final Acceptance Tests Reports, no later than [7] [_____] days after the completion of the Final Acceptance Tests. All items in the Final Acceptance Report shall be signed by the Fire Protection Specialist.

SD-07 Certificates

Inspection by Fire Protection Specialist[; G][; G, [_____]]

Concurrent with the Final Acceptance Test Report, certification by the Fire Protection Specialist that the sprinkler system is installed in accordance with the contract requirements, including signed approval of the Preliminary, Detection and Control Systems, and Final Acceptance Test Reports.

SD-10 Operation and Maintenance Data

Operating and Maintenance Instructions

[Six] [_____] manuals listing step-by-step procedures required for system startup, operation, shutdown, and routine maintenance, at least [14] [_____] days prior to field training. The manuals shall include the manufacturer's name, model number, parts list, list of parts and tools that should be kept in stock by the owner for routine maintenance including the name of a local supplier, simplified wiring and controls diagrams, troubleshooting guide, and recommended service organization (including address and telephone number) for each item of equipment. [Each service organization submitted shall be capable of providing [4] [_____] hour onsite response to a service call on an emergency basis.]

1.8 HYDRAULIC CALCULATIONS

Hydraulic calculations shall be as outlined in NFPA 13 except that calculations shall be performed by computer using software intended specifically for fire protection system design using the design data shown on the drawings. Software that uses k-factors for typical branch lines is not acceptable. Calculations shall be based on the water supply data shown on the drawings. Calculations shall substantiate that the design area used in the calculations is the most demanding hydraulically. Water supply curves and system requirements shall be plotted on semi-logarithmic graph paper so as to present a summary of the complete hydraulic calculation. A summary sheet listing sprinklers in the design area and their respective hydraulic reference points, elevations, actual discharge pressures and actual flows shall be provided. Elevations of hydraulic reference points (nodes) shall be indicated. Documentation shall identify each pipe individually and the nodes connected thereto. The diameter, length, flow, velocity, friction loss, number and type fittings, total friction loss in the pipe, equivalent pipe length and Hazen-Williams coefficient shall be indicated for each pipe. For gridded systems, calculations shall show peaking of demand area friction loss to verify that the hydraulically most demanding area is being used. Also for gridded systems, a flow diagram indicating the quantity and direction of flows shall be included. A drawing showing hydraulic reference points (nodes) and pipe designations used in the calculations shall be included and shall be independent of shop drawings.

1.9 FIRE PROTECTION SPECIALIST

**NOTE: Level IV may be selected where warranted by
system complexity.**

Work specified in this section shall be performed under the supervision of and certified by the Fire Protection Specialist. The Fire Protection Specialist shall be an individual who is a registered professional engineer

and a Full Member of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers or who is certified as a Level [III] [IV] Technician by National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET) in the Automatic Sprinkler System Layout subfield of Fire Protection Engineering Technology in accordance with [NICET 1014-7](#). The Fire Protection Specialist shall be regularly engaged in the design and installation of the type and complexity of system specified in the Contract documents, and shall have served in a similar capacity for at least three systems that have performed in the manner intended for a period of not less than 6 months.

1.10 [SPRINKLER SYSTEM INSTALLER QUALIFICATIONS](#)

Work specified in this section shall be performed by the Sprinkler System Installer. The Sprinkler System Installer shall be regularly engaged in the installation of the type and complexity of system specified in the Contract documents, and shall have served in a similar capacity for at least three systems that have performed in the manner intended for a period of not less than 6 months.

1.11 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Compliance with referenced NFPA standards is mandatory. This includes advisory provisions listed in the appendices of such standards, as though the word "shall" had been substituted for the word "should" wherever it appears. Applicable material and installation standards referenced in Appendix A of [NFPA 13](#) and [NFPA 24](#) shall be considered mandatory the same as if such referenced standards were specifically listed in this specification. In the event of a conflict between specific provisions of this specification and applicable NFPA standards, this specification shall govern. All requirements that exceed the minimum requirements of [NFPA 13](#) shall be incorporated into the design. Reference to "authority having jurisdiction" shall be interpreted to mean the Contracting Officer.

1.12 [SPARE PARTS](#)

The Contractor shall submit spare parts data for each different item of material and equipment specified. The data shall include a complete list of parts and supplies, with current unit prices and source of supply, and a list of parts recommended by the manufacturer to be replaced after 1 year and 3 years of service. A list of special tools and test equipment required for maintenance and testing of the products supplied by the Contractor shall be included.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 STANDARD PRODUCTS

[Materials and equipment](#) shall be standard products of a manufacturer regularly engaged in the manufacture of such products and shall essentially duplicate items that have been in satisfactory use for at least 2 years prior to bid opening.

2.2 NAMEPLATES

All equipment shall have a nameplate that identifies the manufacturer's name, address, type or style, model or serial number, and catalog number.

2.3 REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

Materials and equipment shall have been tested by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. and listed in [UL Fire Prot Dir](#) or approved by Factory Mutual and listed in [FM P7825a](#) and [FM P7825b](#). Where the terms "listed" or "approved" appear in this specification, such shall mean listed in [UL Fire Prot Dir](#) or [FM P7825a](#) and [FM P7825b](#).

2.4 UNDERGROUND PIPING SYSTEMS

NOTE: The drawings must show the service connection details and the underground water mains for the sprinkler system. The drawings must show details of the water service point-of-entry into the building and through the floor slab, and underground piping restraints, including number and size of restraining rods and thrust blocks.

2.4.1 Pipe

Piping from a point [150 mm 6 inches](#) above the floor to [a point [1500 mm 5 feet](#) outside the building wall] [the point of connection to the existing water mains] shall be ductile iron with a rated working pressure of [\[1034\] \[1207\] \[_____\] kPa \[150\] \[175\] \[_____\] psi](#) conforming to [AWWA C151/A21.51](#), with cement mortar lining conforming to [AWWA C104/A21.4](#). Piping more than [1500 mm 5 feet](#) outside the building walls shall comply with Section [33 11 00](#) WATER DISTRIBUTION.

2.4.2 Fittings and Gaskets

Fittings shall be ductile iron conforming to [AWWA C110/A21.10](#). Gaskets shall be suitable in design and size for the pipe with which such gaskets are to be used. Gaskets for ductile iron pipe joints shall conform to [AWWA C111/A21.11](#).

2.4.3 Gate Valve and Indicator Posts

NOTE: This paragraph will be deleted if underground valves are either not required or are specified elsewhere.

Gate valves for underground installation shall be of the inside screw type with counter-clockwise rotation to open. Where indicating type valves are shown or required, indicating valves shall be gate valves with an approved indicator post of a length to permit the top of the post to be located [900 mm 3 feet](#) above finished grade. Gate valves and indicator posts shall be listed in [UL Fire Prot Dir](#) or [FM P7825a](#) and [FM P7825b](#).

2.5 ABOVEGROUND PIPING COMPONENTS

2.5.1 Steel Pipe

Except as modified herein, steel pipe shall be [black] [galvanized] [galvanized where indicated] as permitted by [NFPA 13](#) and shall conform to applicable provisions of [ASTM A 795/A 795M](#), [ASTM A 53/A 53M](#),

or [ASTM A 135/A 135M](#). Pipe in which threads or grooves are cut or rolled formed shall be Schedule 40 or shall be listed by Underwriters' Laboratories to have a corrosion resistance ratio (CRR) of 1.0 or greater after threads or grooves are cut or rolled formed. Pipe shall be marked with the name of the manufacturer, kind of pipe, and ASTM designation.

2.5.2 Fittings for Non-Grooved Steel Pipe

Fittings shall be galvanized steel conforming to [ASME B16.9](#) or [ASME B16.11](#). Fittings that sprinklers, drop nipples or riser nipples (sprigs) are screwed into shall be threaded type. Plain-end fittings with mechanical couplings, fittings that use steel gripping devices to bite into the pipe and segmented welded fittings shall not be used.

2.5.3 Grooved Mechanical Joints and Fittings

Joints and fittings shall be designed for not less than [1200 kPa 175 psi](#) service and shall be the product of the same manufacturer; segmented welded fittings shall not be used. Fitting and coupling houses shall be malleable iron conforming to [ASTM A 47/A 47M](#), Grade 32510; ductile iron conforming to [ASTM A 536](#), Grade 65-45-12. Gaskets shall be of silicon compound and approved for dry fire protection systems. Gasket shall be the flush type that fills the entire cavity between the fitting and the pipe. Nuts and bolts shall be heat-treated steel conforming to [ASTM A 183](#) and shall be cadmium plated or zinc electroplated.

2.5.4 Flanges

Flanges shall conform to [NFPA 13](#) and [ASME B16.1](#). Gaskets shall be non-asbestos compressed material in accordance with [ASME B16.21](#), [1.6 mm 1/16 inch](#) thick, and full face or self-centering flat ring type.

2.5.4.1 Bolts

Bolts shall be [ASTM A 449](#), Type 1. Bolts shall extend no less than three full threads beyond the nut with bolts tightened to the required torque.

2.5.4.2 Nuts

Nuts shall be [hexagon type conforming to [ASME B18.2.2](#)] [[ASTM A 193/A 193M](#), Grade 5] [[ASTM A 563M](#) [ASTM A 563](#), Grade [C3] [DH3]]].

2.5.4.3 Washers

Washers shall meet the requirements of [ASTM F 436M](#) [ASTM F 436](#). Flat circular washers shall be provided under all bolt heads and nuts.

2.5.5 Pipe Hangers

Hangers shall be listed in [UL Fire Prot Dir](#) or [FM P7825a](#) and [FM P7825b](#) and of the type suitable for the application, construction, and pipe type and size to be supported.

2.5.6 Valves

2.5.6.1 Control Valve and Gate Valve

NOTE: A control valve is required for control of

each individual sprinkler riser. The type of such valves should be either the OS&Y or wall type indicator post. Where multiple risers are supplied from a single water service, riser control valves of the OS&Y type should be located in a valve room with exterior access. For more guidance on arrangement of sprinkler control valves, refer to NFPA 13, Appendix A

Manually operated sprinkler control valve and gate valve shall be outside stem and yoke (OS&Y) type and shall be listed in UL Bld Mat Dir or FM P7825a and FM P7825b.

2.5.6.2 Check Valves

Check valve 50 mm 2 inches and larger shall be listed in UL Bld Mat Dir or FM P7825a and FM P7825b. Check valves 100 mm 4 inches and larger shall be of the swing type with flanged cast iron body and flanged inspection plate, shall have a clear waterway and shall meet the requirements of MSS SP-71, for Type 3 or 4.

2.6 AUTOMATIC WATER CONTROL VALVE (DELUGE VALVE)

NOTE: "Automatic water control valve" is a generic term synonymous with "deluge valve" and is used for both preaction and deluge systems. "Automatic water control valve" is consistent with what is used in the UL Fire Protection Equipment Directory. Delete reset capability when not required.

Automatic water control valve (deluge valve) shall be electrically-actuated and rated for a working pressure of 1207 kPa 175 psi. Valve shall be capable of being reset without opening the valve. Electrical solenoid valve used to actuate the water control valve shall be an integral component of the valve or shall be approved for use by the water control valve manufacturer. Solenoid valve shall be rated at 24 volts direct current, and shall be normally closed type that operates when energized. Solenoid valves shall be rated for a maximum pressure differential of 1207 kPa 175 psi. Water control valve shall be equipped with a means to prevent the valve from returning to the closed position until being manually reset. Assembly shall be complete with the valve manufacturer's standard trim piping, drain and test valves, pressure gauges, and other required appurtenances. Each assembly shall include an emergency release device for manually tripping the water control valve in the event of a power or other system failure. Device shall be a standard accessory component of the valve manufacturer and shall be labeled as to its function and method of operation. Valves located in hazardous locations shall be approved for the hazard classification of the area where located.

2.7 SUPERVISORY AIR SYSTEM

NOTE: Supervisory air is not appropriate for deluge systems. Delete this section and reference to supervisory air for deluge systems and for unsupervised preaction systems.

Show the power supply to the air compressor and to the low air pressure alarm device on the drawings.

2.7.1 Air Compressor

Air compressor shall be single stage oil less type, air cooled, electric-motor driven, equipped with a check valve, centrifugal pressure and moisture unloader, pressure switch for automatic starting and stopping. Pressure switch shall be set to start the compressor at [140] [] kPa [20] [] psi and stop it at [200] [] kPa [30] [] psi. A safety relief valve, set to operate at [450] [] kPa [65] [] psi, shall be provided. The compressor shall be sized to pressurize the system to [200] [] kPa [30] [] psi within 30 minutes.

2.7.2 Air Pressure Maintenance Device

Device shall be a pressure regulator that automatically reduces supply air pressure to the minimum pressure required to be maintained in the piping system. The device shall have a cast bronze body and valve housing complete with diaphragm assembly, spring, filter, ball check to prevent backflow, 1.6 mm 1/16 inch restriction to prevent rapid pressurization of the system, and adjustment screw. The device shall be capable of reducing maximum inlet pressure of 680 kPa 100 psi to a fixed outlet pressure adjustable to [70] [] kPa [10] [] psi.

2.7.3 Air Supply Piping System

Each preaction system shall be equipped with a separate pressure maintenance device, shutoff valve, bypass valve and pressure gauge. Piping shall be galvanized steel in accordance with ASTM A 795/A 795M or ASTM A 53/A 53M.

2.7.4 Low Air Pressure Switch

Each preaction system shall be provided with an air pressure switch connected to the control panel. Upon reduction of supervisory air pressure to approximately [70] [] kPa [10] [] psi, the low air pressure switch shall actuate the audible alarm device and a red low-air alarm light on the control panel annunciator.

2.8 WATER MOTOR ALARM ASSEMBLY

NOTE: Coordinate this paragraph with paragraph Waterflow Alarm; delete parts not used.

Assembly shall include a body housing, impeller wheel, drive shaft, striker assembly, gong, wall plate and related components necessary for complete operation. Minimum 19 mm 3/4 inch galvanized piping shall be provided between the housing and the automatic water control valve. Drain piping from the body housing shall be minimum 25 mm 1 inch galvanized steel and shall be arranged to drain to the outside of the building. Piping shall be galvanized both on the inside and on the outside surfaces.

2.9 FIRE DEPARTMENT CONNECTION

NOTE: The designer will coordinate the desired location of the fire department connection with and verify the type of threads used by the fire department serving the building where the sprinkler system is being installed.

Fire department connection shall be [projecting] [flush] type with cast brass body, matching wall escutcheon lettered "Auto Spkr" with a [polished brass] [chromium plated] finish. The connection shall have two inlets with individual self-closing clappers, caps with drip drains and chains. Female inlets shall have 65 mm 2-1/2 inch diameter American National Fire Hose Connection Screw Threads (NH) per [NFPA 1963] [_____].

2.10 SPRINKLERS

NOTE: The designer will indicate on the contract drawings the type of sprinkler heads for each area if more than one type of sprinklers is to be provided. Delete sprinkler types from this paragraph that are not intended for use in the system(s) used in the contract.

Areas that are classified as light hazard will be equipped with quick response sprinklers.

Sprinklers for preaction systems shall be automatic, fusible solder or glass bulb type; sprinklers for deluge systems shall be open type without the fusible element. Sprinklers with internal O-rings shall not be used. Sprinklers shall be used in accordance with their listed coverage limitations. Temperature classification shall be [ordinary] [intermediate] [_____] [as indicated]. Sprinklers in high heat areas including attic spaces or in close proximity to unit heaters shall have temperature classification in accordance with NFPA 13. Extended coverage sprinklers shall not be used.

2.10.1 Pendent Sprinkler

Pendent sprinkler shall be of the fusible strut or glass bulb type, [recessed] [quick-response] type with nominal [13 mm 1/2 inch] [13.5 mm 17/32 inch] orifice. Pendent sprinklers shall have a [polished chrome] [stainless steel] [white polyester] [_____] finish.

2.10.2 Upright Sprinkler

Upright sprinkler shall be [brass] [chrome-plated] [stainless steel] [white polyester] [quick-response type] [_____] and shall have a nominal [13 mm 1/2 inch] [13.5 mm 17/32 inch] orifice.

2.10.3 Corrosion Resistant Sprinkler

NOTE: The use of corrosion resistant sprinklers is generally limited to industrial type occupancies

such as electroplating, steam rooms, salt storage,
and piers and wharves.

Corrosion resistant sprinkler shall be the [upright] [pendent] type installed in locations as indicated. Corrosion resistant coatings shall be factory-applied by the sprinkler manufacturer.

2.11 DISINFECTING MATERIALS

2.11.1 Liquid Chlorine

Liquid chlorine shall conform to AWWA B301.

2.11.2 Hypochlorites

Calcium hypochlorite and sodium hypochlorite shall conform to AWWA B300.

2.12 ACCESSORIES

2.12.1 Sprinkler Cabinet

Spare sprinklers shall be provided in accordance with NFPA 13 and shall be packed in a suitable metal or plastic cabinet. Spare sprinklers shall be representative of, and in proportion to, the number of each type and temperature rating of the sprinklers installed. At least one wrench of each type required shall be provided.

2.12.2 Pendent Sprinkler Escutcheon

Escutcheon shall be one-piece metallic type with a depth of less than 19 mm 3/4 inch and suitable for installation on pendent sprinklers. The escutcheon shall have a factory finish that matches the pendent sprinkler heads.

2.12.3 Pipe Escutcheon

Escutcheon shall be polished chromium-plated zinc alloy, or polished chromium-plated copper alloy. Escutcheons shall be either one-piece or split-pattern, held in place by internal spring tension or set screw.

2.12.4 Sprinkler Guard

Guard shall be a steel wire cage designed to encase the sprinkler and protect it from mechanical damage. Guards shall be provided on sprinklers located [_____] [as indicated].

2.12.5 Identification Sign

Valve identification sign shall be minimum 150 mm wide by 50 mm high 6 inches wide by 2 inches high with enamel baked finish on minimum 1.214 mm 18 gauge steel or 0.6 mm 0.024 inch aluminum with red letters on a white background or white letters on red background. Wording of sign shall include, but not be limited to "main drain," "auxiliary drain," "inspector's test," "alarm test," "alarm line," and similar wording as required to identify operational components.

2.13 DOUBLE-CHECK VALVE BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSEMBLY

NOTE: Indicate piping, type of connection and equipment, such as a test header with hose valves, required for flow testing of the backflow preventer at full system demand as required by NFPA 13. Arrangement of test assembly should be coordinated with the installation.

Double-check backflow prevention assembly shall comply with ASSE 1015. The assembly shall have a bronze, cast-iron or stainless steel body with flanged ends. The assembly shall include pressure test gauge ports and OS&Y shutoff valves on the inlet and outlet, 2-positive-seating check valve for continuous pressure application, and four test cocks. Assemblies shall be rated for working pressure of [1034] [1207] [_____] kPa [150] [175] [_____] psi. The maximum pressure loss shall be 40 kPa 6 psi at a flow rate equal to the sprinkler water demand, at the location of the assembly. A test port for a pressure gauge shall be provided both upstream and downstream of the double check backflow prevention assembly valves.

2.14 CONTROL PANEL

Panel shall be UL listed or FM approved for "Releasing Device Service" or shall have modules approved for this purpose. Panel shall contain all components and equipment required to provide the specified operational and supervisory functions of the system. Components shall be housed in a [surface] [flush]-mounted steel cabinet with hinged door and cylinder lock. Control panel shall be a clean, uncluttered, and orderly factory assembled and wired unit. Panel shall include integral "power on," "alarm," and "trouble" lamps with annunciation of each alarm, supervisory and trouble signal. The panel shall have prominent rigid plastic or metal identification plates for lamps, zones, controls, meters, fuses, and switches. Nameplates for fuses shall also include ampere rating. Control panel switches shall be within the locked cabinet. A suitable means shall be provided for testing the working condition and accuracy of the control panel visual indicating devices (meter and lamps). Meters and lamps shall be plainly visible when the cabinet door is closed. Signals shall be provided to indicate by zone any alarm, supervisory or trouble condition on the system. Upon restoration of power, startup shall be automatic, and shall not require any manual operation. The loss of primary power or the sequence of applying primary or emergency power shall not affect the transmission of alarm, supervisory or trouble signals.

2.14.1 Zone Annunciator

A separate alarm and trouble lamp shall be provided for each active and spare zone and shall be located on exterior of cabinet door or be visible through the cabinet door. A minimum of [two] [_____] spare alarm zones that are fully operational shall be provided. Each lamp shall provide specific identification of the zone by means of a permanently attached rigid plastic or metal sign with either raised or engraved letters. Zone identification shall consist of a unique zone number as well as a word description of the zone.

2.14.2 System Zoning

NOTE: As a minimum, the system will be zoned by
type of device and by floor or by specific location.

The system shall be zoned as follows:

ZONE NO.	DESCRIPTION
[_____]	[_____]

2.14.3 Primary Power Supply

NOTE: The drawings will indicate a dedicated power supply circuit for each preaction and deluge sprinkler system control panel. The power circuit will be arranged so that power and lighting system can be shutdown for building modifications without shutting down primary power to the control panel.

Primary power and trouble alarm power to the Control Panel shall be supplied from two 120 VAC circuits. [Power to the control panel shall be as indicated.] [A [separate panel] [fused two-pole disconnect switch] connected ahead of [the main building panel] [indicated panel] shall be provided.] [Panel shall be equipped with [two] [_____] 20-amp circuit breakers for each control panel and with key lock. [Panel] [Disconnect switch] shall be permanently marked "[PREACTION] [DELUGE] SPRINKLER SYSTEM".]

2.14.4 Emergency Power Supply

Emergency power shall be provided for system operation in the event of failure of the primary power supply and shall consist of rechargeable storage battery system. Transfer from normal to emergency power or restoration from emergency to normal power shall be automatic and shall not cause transmission of a false alarm.

2.14.4.1 Storage Batteries

Storage Batteries shall be sealed, lead-calcium type requiring no additional water. The batteries shall have ample capacity, with primary power disconnected, to operate the system for a period of 90 hours. Following this period of operation via batteries, the batteries shall have ample capacity to operate all alarm indicating devices in the alarm mode for a minimum period of [15] [_____] minutes. Battery cabinet shall be a separate [compartment at the bottom of the control panel] [cabinet]. The battery cabinet shall have adequate space for spare duplicate storage batteries. Batteries shall be mounted on a noncorrosive and nonconductive base or pad.

2.14.4.2 Battery Charger

Battery charger shall be completely automatic, with high/low charging rate, capable of restoring the batteries from full discharge to full charge within [12 hours] [_____] using the high charging rate. A separate ammeter shall be provided for indicating rate of charge. A separate voltmeter shall be provided to indicate the state of the battery charge. A pilot light indicating when batteries are manually placed on a high rate of

charge shall be provided as part of the unit assembly. The charger shall be located in control panel cabinet.

2.15 ALARM INITIATING DEVICES

2.15.1 Heat Detectors

NOTE: The location and type of heat detectors and alarm devices must be indicated on project drawings. Delete descriptive paragraphs of detectors types not used. Alarm indicator should be used only if necessary to meet project requirements.

Detectors located in areas subject to moisture, exterior atmospheric conditions or hazardous locations as defined in NFPA 70 shall be approved for such locations. Detectors shall be listed or approved for 15 m 50 foot spacing between detectors. The detector shall be equipped with an alarm indicating light in its base that lights when the detector is in an alarm condition. [Five] [_____] spare detectors of each type and temperature rating shall be provided.

2.15.1.1 Rate Compensation Detector

Detector shall be of the [vertical] [horizontal] spot type with a temperature classification rating of [ordinary] [intermediate] as defined by NFPA 72. Detectors listed or approved as "rate anticipation" type will be accepted. Detector shall automatically reset when temperature drops below detector temperature rating. Detector shall be hermetically sealed.

2.15.1.2 Combination Fixed-Temperature and Rate-of-Rise Heat Detector

Detector shall consist of two independently operated thermal elements. The rate-of-rise portion of the detector shall consist of an air chamber, flexible metal diaphragm and a moisture-proof calibrated vent which will respond to a temperature rise exceeding 8 degrees C 15 degrees F per minute. This portion of the detector shall be self-restoring after actuation. The fixed temperature portion of the detector shall consist of a fusible alloy that will melt and cause an alarm when the surrounding air rises above the temperature rating of the detector. The detector shall provide an external indication when the fixed temperature portion of the detector actuates. Detector shall have a temperature classification rating of [ordinary] [intermediate] as defined by NFPA 72.

2.15.1.3 Fixed-Temperature Heat Detector

Detector shall have a fusible alloy that will melt and cause an alarm when the surrounding air rises above the temperature rating of the detector. The detector shall provide an external indication upon actuation of the detector. Detector shall provide a temperature classification rating of [ordinary] [intermediate] as defined by NFPA 72.

2.15.2 Manual Actuation Station

NOTE: Manual actuation stations are needed for deluge systems only. Delete this paragraph for preaction systems.

Station shall be mounted at 1000 mm 42 inches above the floor, unless otherwise shown. Station shall be arranged to activate the deluge system. Station shall be dual-action type requiring two separate operations in order to cause system discharge. Station shall be colored [lime yellow] [_____] [a unique color dissimilar to color used for manual fire alarm system]. Station shall be provided with a positive visible indication of operation of the station. Station shall be weatherproof type and shall be provided with an engraved label indicating DELUGE SYSTEM.

2.15.3 Sprinkler Pressure Alarm Switch

Pressure switch shall include a metal housing with a neoprene diaphragm, SPDT snap action switches. The switch shall have a service pressure rating of 1200 kPa 175 psi. There shall be two SPDT (Form C) contacts factory adjusted to operate at 30 to 60 kPa 4 to 8 psi. The switch shall be capable of being mounted in any position in the alarm line trim piping of the alarm check valve.

2.15.4 Waterflow Alarm

NOTE: Electric waterflow alarm bells are preferred. Coordinate type and location of waterflow alarm with the electrical designer.

[Electrically operated, exterior-mounted, waterflow alarm bell shall be provided and installed in accordance with NFPA 13. Waterflow alarm bell shall be rated 24 VDC and shall be connected to the Fire Alarm Control Panel (FACP) in accordance with Section [28 31 00.00 10 FIRE DETECTION AND ALARM SYSTEM, DIRECT CURRENT LOOP] [28 31 64.00 10 FIRE DETECTION AND ALARM SYSTEM, ADDRESSABLE]]. [Mechanically operated, exterior mounted, water motor alarm assembly shall be provided in accordance with NFPA 13. Water motor alarm assembly shall include a body housing, impeller or pelton wheel, drive shaft, striker assembly, gong, wall plate and related components necessary for complete operation. Minimum 19 mm 3/4 inch galvanized piping from the body housing shall be provided between the housing and the alarm check valve. Drain piping from the body housing shall be minimum 25 mm 1 inch galvanized and shall be arranged to drain to the outside of the building. Piping shall be galvanized both on the inside and outside surfaces.]

2.15.5 Valve Supervisory (Tamper) Switch

Switch shall be suitable for mounting to the type of control valve to be supervised open. The switch shall be tamper resistant and contain one set of SPDT (Form C) contacts arranged to transfer upon removal of the housing cover or closure of the valve of more than two rotations of the valve stem.

2.16 NOTIFICATION APPLIANCES

NOTE: The notification appliances are for providing local notification of a sprinkler system operation. These devices are not intended to provide general building fire alarm evacuation. Fire alarm evacuation systems are addressed in Section 33 82 01

INTERCOMMUNICATION SYSTEM.

Notification appliances shall be suitable for connection to supervised alarm indicating circuits. Appliance shall have a separate screw terminal for each conductor. The surface of the appliance shall be red in color.

2.16.1 Alarm Bell

Bell shall be 250 mm 10 inch diameter, surface-mounted vibrating type with matching back box. Sound output shall be a minimum of [85] [_____] DBA at 3000 mm 10 feet. Bell shall operate on nominal 24 VDC. Bells shall have screw terminals for in-out wiring connection. Bells used in exterior locations shall be specifically listed or approved for outdoor use and be provided with metal housing and protective grilles.

2.16.2 Alarm Horn

Horn shall be surface mounted, with the matching mounting back box [surface mounted] [recessed] [[single] [double] projector,] [grill and] vibrating type suitable for use in an electrically supervised circuit. Horns shall operate on nominal 24 VDC and have screw terminals for in-out wiring connection. Sound output shall be a minimum of [85] [_____] DBA at 3000 mm 10 feet. Horns used in exterior locations shall be specifically listed or approved for outdoor use and be provided with metal housing and protective grilles.

2.17 WIRING

Wiring for alternating current (AC) circuits shall be 12 AWG minimum. Wiring for low voltage direct current (DC) circuits shall be No. [16] [14] AWG minimum. Power wiring (over 28 volts) and control wiring shall be isolated. Wiring shall conform to NFPA 70. System field wiring shall be solid copper and installed in electrical metallic tubing or in metallic conduit, except rigid plastic conduit may be used under slab-on-grade. Conductors shall be color coded. Conductors used for the same function shall be similarly color coded. Wiring color code shall remain uniform throughout the circuit. Pigtail or T-tap connections to alarm initiating, alarm indicating, supervisory, and actuation circuits are prohibited.

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 FIRE PROTECTION RELATED SUBMITTALS

The Fire Protection Specialist shall prepare a list of the submittals from the Contract Submittal Register that relate to the successful installation of the sprinkler systems(s). The submittals identified on this list shall be accompanied by a letter of approval signed and dated by the Fire Protection Specialist when submitted to the Government.

3.2 INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

The installation shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of publications referenced herein.

3.3 INSPECTION BY FIRE PROTECTION SPECIALIST

The Fire Protection Specialist shall inspect the sprinkler system periodically during the installation to assure that the sprinkler system

installed in accordance with the contract requirements. The Fire Protection Specialist shall witness the preliminary and final tests, and shall sign the test results. The Fire Protection Specialist, after completion of the system inspections and a successful final test, shall certify in writing that the system has been installed in accordance with the contract requirements. Any discrepancy shall be brought to the attention of the Contracting Officer in writing, no later than three working days after the discrepancy is discovered.

3.4 ABOVEGROUND PIPING INSTALLATION

3.4.1 Protection of Piping Against Earthquake Damage

The system piping shall be seismically protected against damage from earthquakes. This requirement is not subject to determination under NFPA 13. Install the seismic protection of the system piping in accordance with UFC 3-310-04, NFPA 13 and Annex A. Include the required features identified therein that are applicable to the specific piping system.

3.4.2 Piping in Exposed Areas

Exposed piping shall be installed so as not diminish exit access widths, corridors, or equipment access. Exposed horizontal piping, including drain piping, shall be installed to provide maximum headroom.

3.4.3 Piping in Finished Areas

In areas with suspended or dropped ceilings and in areas with concealed spaces above the ceiling, piping shall be concealed above ceilings. Piping shall be inspected, tested and approved before being concealed. Risers and similar vertical runs of piping in finished areas shall be concealed.

3.4.4 Pendent Sprinklers Locations

Sprinklers installed in the pendent position shall be of the listed dry pendent type, unless otherwise indicated. Dry pendent sprinklers shall be of the required length to permit the sprinkler to be threaded directly into a branch line tee. Hangers shall be provided on arm-overs to drop nipples supplying pendent sprinklers when the arm-over exceeds 300 mm 12 inches for steel pipe or 150 mm 6 inches for copper tubing. Dry pendent sprinkler assemblies shall be such that sprinkler ceiling plates or escutcheons are of the uniform depth throughout the finished space. Pendent sprinklers in suspended ceilings shall be a minimum of 150 mm 6 inches from ceiling grid. Recessed pendent sprinklers shall be installed such that the distance from the sprinkler deflector to the underside of the ceiling shall not exceed the manufacturer's listed range and shall be of uniform depth throughout the finished area.

3.4.5 Upright Sprinklers

Riser nipples or "sprigs" to upright sprinklers shall contain no fittings between the branch line tee and the reducing coupling at the sprinkler. Riser nipples exceeding 750 mm 30 inches in length shall be individually supported.

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3.4.7 Pipe Joints

Pipe joints shall conform to NFPA 13, except as modified herein. Not more than four threads shall show after joint is made up. Welded joints will be permitted, only if welding operations are performed as required by NFPA 13 at the Contractor's fabrication shop, not at the project construction site. Flanged joints shall be provided where indicated or required by NFPA 13. Grooved pipe and fittings shall be prepared in accordance with the manufacturer's latest published specification according to pipe material, wall thickness and size. Grooved couplings and fittings shall be from the same manufacturer. Grooved joints shall not be used in concealed locations, such as behind solid walls or ceilings, unless an access panel is shown on the drawings for servicing or adjusting the joint.

3.4.8 Reducers

Reductions in pipe sizes shall be made with one-piece tapered reducing fittings. The use of grooved-end or rubber-gasketed reducing couplings will not be permitted. When standard fittings of the required size are not manufactured, single bushings of the face type will be permitted. Where used, face bushings shall be installed with the outer face flush with the face of the fitting opening being reduced. Bushings shall not be used in elbow fittings, in more than one outlet of a tee, in more than two outlets of a cross, or where the reduction in size is less than 13 mm 1/2 inch.

3.4.9 Pipe Penetrations

Cutting structural members for passage of pipes or for pipe-hanger fastenings will not be permitted. Pipes that must penetrate concrete or masonry walls or concrete floors shall be core-drilled and provided with pipe sleeves. Each sleeve shall be Schedule 40 galvanized steel, ductile iron or cast iron pipe and shall extend through its respective wall or floor and be cut flush with each wall surface. Sleeves shall provide required clearance between the pipe and the sleeve per NFPA 13. The space between the sleeve and the pipe shall be firmly packed with mineral wool insulation. Where pipes penetrate fire walls, fire partitions, or floors, pipes shall be fire stopped in accordance with Section 07 84 00 FIRESTOPPING. In penetrations that are not fire-rated or not a floor penetration, the space between the sleeve and the pipe shall be sealed at both ends with plastic waterproof cement that will dry to a firm but pliable mass or with a mechanically adjustable segmented elastomer seal.

3.4.10 Escutcheons

Escutcheons shall be provided for pipe penetration of ceilings and walls. Escutcheons shall be securely fastened to the pipe at surfaces through which piping passes.

3.4.11 Inspector's Test Connection

NOTE: Designer will indicate location of the
inspector's test connections and all associated
valves on the contract drawings, and will provide
details of drain piping, if drain piping is needed.

Unless otherwise indicated, test connection shall consist of 25 mm 1 inch pipe connected [to the remote branch line] [at the riser as a combination test and drain valve]; a test valve located approximately 2 m 7 feet above the floor; a smooth bore brass outlet equivalent to the smallest orifice sprinkler used in the system; and a painted metal identification sign affixed to the valve with the words "Inspector's Test." The discharge orifice shall be located outside the building wall directed so as not to cause damage to adjacent construction or landscaping during full flow discharge.

3.4.12 Drains

Main drain piping shall be provided to discharge [at a safe point outside the building] [at the location indicated]. Auxiliary drains shall be provided as indicated and as required by NFPA 13. When the capacity of trapped sections of pipe is less than 11 L 3 gallons, the auxiliary drain shall consist of a valve not smaller than 13 mm 1/2 inch and a plug or nipple and cap. When the capacity of trapped sections of piping is more than 11 L 3 gallons, the auxiliary drain shall consist of two 25 mm 1 inch valves and one 50 x 300 mm 2 x 12 inch condensate nipple or equivalent, located in an accessible location. Tie-in drains shall be provided for multiple adjacent trapped branch pipes and shall be a minimum of 25 mm 1 inch in diameter. Tie-in drain lines shall be pitched a minimum of 13 mm per 3 m 1/2 inch per 10 feet.

3.4.13 Installation of Fire Department Connection

Connection shall be mounted [on the exterior wall approximately 900 mm 3 feet above finished grade] [adjacent to and on the sprinkler system side of the backflow preventer]. The piping between the connection and the check valve shall be provided with an automatic drip in accordance with NFPA 13 and arranged to drain to the outside.

3.4.14 Identification Signs

Signs shall be affixed to each control valve, inspector test valve, main drain, auxiliary drain, test valve, and similar valves as appropriate or as required by NFPA 13. Hydraulic design data nameplates shall be permanently affixed to each sprinkler riser as specified in NFPA 13.

3.5 UNDERGROUND PIPING INSTALLATION

NOTE: Restraint of the underground piping must be
detailed on the drawings.

The fire protection water main shall be laid, and joints anchored, in accordance with NFPA 24. Minimum depth of cover shall be [900] [_____] mm

[3] [_____] feet. The supply line shall terminate inside the building with a flanged piece, the bottom of which shall be set not less than 150 mm 6 inches above the finished floor. A blind flange shall be installed temporarily on top of the flanged piece to prevent the entrance of foreign matter into the supply line. A concrete thrust block shall be provided at the elbow where the pipe turns up toward the floor. In addition, joints shall be anchored in accordance with NFPA 24 using pipe clamps and steel rods from the elbow to the flange above the floor and from the elbow to a pipe clamp in the horizontal run of pipe. Buried steel components shall be provided with a corrosion protective coating in accordance with AWWA C203. Piping more than 1500 mm 5 feet outside the building walls shall meet the requirements of Section 33 11 00 WATER DISTRIBUTION.

3.6 EARTHWORK

Earthwork shall be performed in accordance with applicable provisions of Section 31 00 00 EARTHWORK.

3.7 ELECTRICAL WORK

Unless otherwise specified herein, power supply equipment and wiring shall be in accordance with Section 26 20 00 INTERIOR DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM.

3.7.1 Overcurrent and Surge Protection

All equipment connected to alternating current circuits shall be protected from surges per IEEE C62.41.1, IEEE C62.41.2 and NFPA 70. Cables and conductors that serve as communications links, except fiber optics, shall have surge protection circuits installed at each end. Fuses shall not be used for surge protection.

3.7.2 Grounding

Grounding shall be provided to building ground.

3.7.3 Wiring

System field wiring shall be installed in 19 mm 3/4 inch minimum diameter electrical metallic tubing or metallic conduit. Wiring for the sprinkler system fire detection and control system shall be installed in tubing or conduits dedicated for that use only and not installed in conduit, outlet boxes or junction boxes which contain lighting and power wiring or equipment. Circuit conductors entering or leaving any mounting box, outlet box enclosure or cabinet shall be connected to screw terminals with each terminal marked and labeled in accordance with the wiring diagram. No more than one conductor shall be installed under any screw terminal. Connections and splices shall be made using screw terminal blocks. The use of wire nut type connectors is not permitted. Wiring within any control equipment shall be readily accessible without removing any component parts. Conductors shall be color-coded and shall be identified within each enclosure where a connection or termination is made. Conductor identification shall be by plastic-coated, self-sticking, printed markers or by heat-shrink type sleeves. Circuits shall be wired to maintain electrical supervision so that removal of any single wire from any device shall cause a "trouble" condition on the control panel.

3.7.4 Control Panel

The control panel and its assorted components shall be mounted so that no

part of the enclosing cabinet is less than 600 mm 24 inches and not more than 2000 mm 78 inches above the finished floor.

3.7.5 Detectors

Detectors shall be ceiling-mounted per NFPA 72 and shall be at least 300 mm 12 inches from any part of any lighting fixture. Detectors shall be located at least 900 mm 3 feet from diffusers of air handling systems. Each detector shall be provided with appropriate mounting hardware as required by its mounting location.

3.7.6 Manual Actuation Stations

Manual actuation stations shall be mounted readily accessible and 1060 mm 42 inches above the finished floor.

3.7.7 Notification Appliances

Notification appliances shall be mounted a minimum of 2400 mm 8 feet above the finished floor unless limited by ceiling height.

3.8 DISINFECTION

NOTE: For modification of existing systems, provide specific procedures for disinfection of new equipment. If sprinkler piping is isolated from the domestic water piping systems by means of a reduced pressure backflow prevention assembly or if sprinkler piping is not connected to the domestic water piping, this paragraph should be deleted.

After all system components are installed and hydrostatic test(s) are successfully completed, each portion of the sprinkler system to be disinfected shall be thoroughly flushed with potable water until all entrained dirt and other foreign materials have been removed before introducing chlorinating material. Flushing shall be conducted by removing the flushing fitting of the cross mains and of the grid branch lines, and then back-flushing through the sprinkler main drains. The chlorinating material shall be hypochlorites or liquid chlorine. Water chlorination procedure shall be in accordance with AWWA C651 and AWWA C652. The chlorinating material shall be fed into the sprinkler piping at a constant rate of 50 parts per million (ppm). A properly adjusted hypochlorite solution injected into the system with a hypochlorinator, or liquid chlorine injected into the system through a solution-fed chlorinator and booster pump shall be used. Chlorination application shall continue until the entire system is filled. The water shall remain in the system for a minimum of 24 hours. Each valve in the system shall be opened and closed several times to ensure its proper disinfection. Following the 24-hour period, no less than 25 ppm chlorine residual shall remain in the system. The system shall then be flushed with clean water until the residual chlorine is reduced to less than one part per million. Samples of water in disinfected containers for bacterial examination will be taken from several system locations which are approved by the Contracting Officer. Samples shall be tested for total coliform organisms (coliform bacteria, fecal coliform, streptococcal, and other bacteria) in accordance with AWWA 10084. The testing method shall be either the multiple-tube fermentation technique or the membrane-filter technique. The disinfection shall be repeated until

tests indicate the absence of coliform organisms (zero mean coliform density per 100 milliliters) in the samples for at least 2 full days. The system will not be accepted until satisfactory bacteriological results have been obtained. After the successful completion, all sprinklers or plugs and gravity flush all drops or trapped piping.

3.9 PIPE COLOR CODE MARKING

NOTE: Designer will coordinate color code marking with Seciton 09 90 00 PAINTS AND COATINGS. Color code marking for piping which are not listed in Table I of Paragraph 3.5 Pipe Color Code Marking of UFGS Section 09 90 00 will be added to the table.

Color code marking of piping shall be as specified in Section 09 90 00 PAINTS AND COATINGS.

3.10 PRELIMINARY TESTS

The system including the underground water mains, the aboveground piping, detectors and control system and system components shall be tested to assure that equipment and components function as intended. The underground and aboveground interior piping systems and attached appurtenances subjected to system working pressure shall be tested in accordance with NFPA 13 and NFPA 24. Upon completion of specified tests, the Contractor shall complete certificates as specified in paragraph SUBMITTALS.

3.10.1 Underground Piping

3.10.1.1 Flushing

Underground piping shall be flushed in accordance with NFPA 24. This includes the requirement to flush the lead-in connection to the fire protection system at a flow rate not less than the calculated maximum water demand rate of the system.

3.10.2 Hydrostatic Testing

New underground piping shall be hydrostatically tested in accordance with NFPA 24. The allowable leakage shall be measured at the specified test pressure by pumping from a calibrated container. The amount of leakage at the joints shall not exceed 2 L 2 quarts per hour per 100 gaskets or joints, regardless of pipe diameter.

3.10.3 Aboveground Piping

3.10.3.1 Hydrostatic Testing

Aboveground piping shall be hydrostatically tested in accordance with NFPA 13 at not less than 1400 kPa 200 psi or 350 kPa 50 psi in excess of maximum system operating pressure and shall maintain that pressure without loss for 2 hours. There shall be no drop in gauge pressure or visible leakage when the system is subjected to the hydrostatic test. The test pressure shall be read from a gauge located at the low elevation point of the system or portion being tested.

3.10.3.2 Air Pressure Test

NOTE: Delete this paragraph for deluge system applications and preaction systems not requiring supervisory air.

As specified in NFPA 13, an air pressure leakage test at 350 kPa 50 psi shall be conducted for 24 hours. There shall be no drop in gauge pressure in excess of 10 kPa 1.5 psi for the 24 hours. This air pressure test is in addition to the required hydrostatic test.

3.10.3.3 Backflow Prevention Assembly Forward Flow Test

Each backflow prevention assembly shall be tested at system flow demand, including all applicable hose streams, as specified in NFPA 13. The Contractor shall provide all equipment and instruments necessary to conduct a complete forward flow test, including 65 mm 2.5 inch diameter hoses, playpipe nozzles, calibrated pressure gauges, and pitot tube gauge. The Contractor shall provide all necessary supports to safely secure hoses and nozzles during the test. At the system demand flow, the pressure readings and pressure drop (friction) across the assembly shall be recorded. A metal placard shall be provided on the backflow prevention assembly that lists the pressure readings both upstream and downstream of the assembly, total pressure drop, and the system test flow rate. The pressure drop shall be compared to the manufacturer's data.

3.10.4 Detection and Control System Tests

Upon completion of the installation, the detection and control system shall be subjected to functional and operational performance tests including tests of each installed initiating device, system actuation device and notification appliance. The control system tests specified in paragraph FINAL ACCEPTANCE TESTS shall be conducted to ensure that the system is completely functional and that wiring has been properly connected. If deficiencies are found, corrections shall be made and the system shall be retested to assure that the systems have no deficiencies.

3.10.5 Automatic Water Control Valve Test

Each water control valve shall be independently trip-tested in accordance with the manufacturer's published instructions. Each valve shall be electrically trip-tested by actuating a respective heat detector and a manual actuation station connected to the control panel and a manual actuation device that is part of the valve trim. A full-flow main drain test shall be made. For preaction systems with supervisory air, the air pressure shall be reduced to verify proper operation of the air supply system and associated supervisory alarm devices.

3.11 FINAL ACCEPTANCE TESTS

Final Acceptance Test shall begin only when the Preliminary Test Report has been approved. The Fire Protection Specialist shall conduct the Final Acceptance Test and shall provide a complete demonstration of the operation of the system. This shall include operation of control valves and flowing of inspector's test connections to verify operation of associated waterflow alarm switches. After operation of control valves has been completed, the main drain test shall be repeated to assure that control valves are in the

open position. Each system shall be completely drained after each trip test. The system air supply system shall be tested to verify that system pressure is restored in the specified time. In addition, the Fire Protection Specialist shall have available copies of [as-built drawings](#) and certificates of tests previously conducted. The installation shall not be considered accepted until identified discrepancies have been corrected and test documentation is properly completed and received. After the system has been tested and drained, the system shall be drained periodically for at least 2 weeks until it can be assured that water from the system has been removed.

3.11.1 Control System Test

NOTE: Listed tests are minimum required. If
additional tests are required, such tests must be
added to the list.

Testing shall be in accordance with [NFPA 72](#). The test shall include the following:

- a. Visual inspection of wiring connections.
- b. Opening the circuit at each alarm initiating device, solenoid valve, and notification appliance to test the wiring and supervisory features.
- c. Test of each function of the control panel.
- d. Test of each circuit in the normal, open and ground fault modes.
- e. Test of each initiating device in both normal and trouble conditions.
- f. Test of each control circuit and device.
- g. Test of each alarm notification appliance.
- h. Test of the battery charger and batteries.
- i. Operational tests under emergency power supply, including activation of connected alarm notification appliances for the specified time period.

3.11.2 Trip-tests of Automatic Water Control Valves

Each water control valve shall be independently trip-tested in accordance with the manufacturer's published instructions. Each valve shall be electrically trip-tested by actuating a respective heat detector, a manual actuation station connected to the system control panel and the manual release which is part of the valve trim. Each valve shall be returned to normal condition after each test. Prior to trip testing sprinkler deluge system, precautionary steps shall be taken to prevent water damage to the building and equipment from sprinkler discharge. [Control valves on deluge systems shall [be shut off immediately after automatic water control valve trips] [remain open until open sprinklers have discharged for a minimum of [10] [_____] seconds].] [Control valves on preaction systems shall remain open until piping is filled with water.]

3.11.3 Tests of Supervisory Air System

NOTE: Delete this paragraph for deluge system
applications and preaction systems not requiring
supervisory air.

Preaction system supervisory air pressure shall be reduced from the normal system pressure to the point at which a low-pressure alarm is sounded. Air pressure shall be restored to verify trouble signal restoration. Automatic start/stop features of air compressor shall be tested.

3.12 ON-SITE TRAINING

NOTE: The number of hours of instruction should be
determined based of the number and complexity of the
systems specified.

The Fire Protection Specialist shall conduct a training course for operating and maintenance personnel as designated by the Contracting Officer. Training shall be provided for a period of [_____] hours of normal working time and shall start after the system is functionally complete and after the Final Acceptance Test. The On-Site Training shall cover all of the items contained in the approved [Operating and Maintenance Instructions](#).

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