

REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS



- 1. Permits are required for all fire alarm systems. You must obtain a Fire Alarm e-permit and submit electronic plans prior to starting any onsite work, any work performed without a permit or early work authorization will be charged additional fees. Fire Alarm e-permits are available at www.edinamn.gov/717/Fire-Permits
- 2. Electronic permit submittals shall include plan drawings, battery calculations and technical data sheets. Plan drawings shall be signed by a NICET Level 3 Designer or a Minnesota registered Fire Protection Engineer.
- 3. Fire Alarm Systems shall be designed and installed in accordance with the current adopted Minnesota State Fire Code (MSFC), National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Code and National Electrical Code.
- 4. All components of the system shall be UL Listed for the application and installed per the appropriate codes and manufacturer's specifications.
- 5. All Fire Alarm Systems and shall be addressable. Exception, a zoned panel may be allowed when the system is limited to monitoring a special hazard or fire sprinkler system only and there are no other devises requiring monitoring.
- 6. An electrical permit is required from the Minnesota State Board of Electricity and required inspections by the electrical inspector. Contact the State Electrical Inspector for the required inspections.
- 7. A service / maintenance agreement is required for the alarm system to be inspected and tested annually by a licensed contractor. Provide a copy of the maintenance agreement at the time of the final inspection.
- 8. Fire Alarm Annunciator Panel (FAAP) with full controls shall be installed at the main fire department entrance to the building. The FAAP shall be key operated unless inside a locked panel.
- 9. Keys for the fire alarm system shall be provided to the Edina Fire Department to place in the buildings Knox-box.
- 10. Monitoring is required for new buildings with 20 or more sprinkler heads and existing buildings with 100 or more sprinkler heads.
- 11. Tamper devices (lock-on) shall be installed on all circuit breakers used for life safety systems.
- 12. Manual pull stations shall be of the key resettable type, utilizing the same key as the fire alarm panel.
- 13. Manual pull stations located in areas accessible to the public shall be provided with tamper-resistant covers. The cover shall provide an audible notification when opened.
- 14. All smoke detection for HVAC shutdown and control of dampers shall be installed per the mechanical engineer's design and approved plans by the Edina Building Inspections Department.
- 15. Elevator installations shall meet the requirements of the current Minnesota Elevator Code. Permits are required for installation of smoke detection for elevator recall. Elevator smoke detectors shall not sound a general evacuation signal. Final testing shall be coordinated with the Edina Fire Department and State elevator inspector.
- 16. 24-hour battery test shall be scheduled with the Edina Fire Department prior to the full function test.
- 17. The Edina Fire Department shall witness all system tests and inspections required by NFPA 72. Appointments can be made by calling the Edina Fire Department at 952-826-0339. Completed copies of the "Fire Alarm System Record of Completion" form shall be provided to the Edina Fire Department upon job completion.