

FAQs for Developmental Services

1. When is a fire alarm system required to in a building?

Please refer to the following link for information <http://portal.cityofsacramento.org/Fire/Resources/New-Construction>. (Requirements for Fire Alarm Systems (PDF))

2. When are fire sprinklers required in a building?

Please refer to the following link for information <http://portal.cityofsacramento.org/Fire/Resources/New-Construction>. (Local Requirements for Fire Sprinkler Systems (PDF))

3. How often must fire extinguishers be serviced?

Fire extinguishers must be serviced annually by a licensed contractor. (2013 CFC906.2)

4. What are the fire permit fees for fire plan review and fire inspections?

Please refer to the following link for information <http://portal.cityofsacramento.org/Fire/Resources/New-Construction>. (Development Service Fees (PDF))

5. What are the requirements for fire lanes?

Fire lanes provide adequate access for emergency vehicles and must be maintained. Fire Lanes shall be red with required signage. (2013 CFC 503.1)

6. What are the requirements for fire doors?

Doors are important in controlling heat and smoke during a fire allowing for safe passage to an exit. All parts of a fire rated door must be in good repair and function properly. Doors must self-close and latch at all times. Doors cannot be propped open. (2013 CFC703)

7. What are the requirements for building addressing and signage?

Addresses, building numbers and directories should be maintained and visible at all times. (2013 CFC 505.1)

8. What are the requirements for emergency lighting & exit signage?

Emergency lighting and exit signage should work properly and proof of annual testing should be available onsite. (2013 CFC 604.5)

9. What are the requirements for identification of fire protection equipment?

Fire protection equipment such as Fire Department Connections (FDC) and Post Indicator Valves (PIV) should be labeled with the areas they serve. Doors leading to Fire Alarm Panel, Sprinkler controls and electrical rooms must also be labeled. (2013 CFC 508.1.1 and 509.1)

10. What are the requirements for access to fire protection equipment?

Fire hydrants, Fire Department Connections, Post Indicator Valves, Alarm Panels, should be accessible at all times. (2013 CFC 509.2)