



SUPPLEMENTAL RULES & REGULATIONS

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SCOPE:

Prior to any fire protection system being placed out of service for any amount of time, an impairment plan shall be submitted to the Fire Prevention Division for review. The responsible party for the impairment plan shall verify that all the following information and procedures are implemented.

GENERAL:

System Out of Service:

1. The extent and expected duration of the impairment shall be determined.
2. The area or buildings involved in the impairment plan. (A Fire Prevention Division inspection may be required to determine if any additional risks may exist.)
3. The insurance carrier, the fire alarm monitoring company, building owner/manager, building occupants and the Fire Prevention Division shall all be notified.
4. A tag impairment system has been implemented and present for the duration of impairment.

Tag Impairment Plan:

1. An Impairment tag shall be used to indicate that the system or portion of the system has been removed from service.
2. A tag shall be posted at each water valve, fire sprinkler riser, fire department connection, system control valve, fire alarm control panel, fire alarm annunciator and fire command center, indicating which system or part thereof has been removed from service.
3. The tag shall remain in place for the duration of the impairment.
4. A red 4" (inch) out-of-service ring shall be placed on all hydrants that are affected by the impairment plan and shall remain in place for the duration of the impairment.



Restoring System to Service:

1. Necessary inspections and tests have been conducted to verify that affected systems are operational.
2. The insurance carrier, the fire alarm monitoring company, building owner/manager, building occupants and the Fire Prevention Division shall be notified.
3. The impairment tags and hydrant rings have been removed.

When determined by the Fire Marshal through review of the impairment plan, the structure and/or area affected by the system impairment may require evacuation or implementation of an approved fire watch until systems are fully operational.