



## **FIRE PROTECTION INDUSTRY BULLETIN**

### **SCOPE**

Emergency repairs to fire alarm systems.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this industry bulletin is to clarify the Department's requirements related to fire alarm system emergency repairs.

### **BACKGROUND**

As noted in National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standard 72, the authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) is to be notified "prior to installation or alteration of equipment or wiring" of a fire alarm system. This section does not make an exception for "repair" work; however emergency repairs are required from time to time for various reasons.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

When emergency repairs are made to a fire alarm system, it is the responsibility of the servicing contractor, to consult the City of Fresno Fire Department prior to (or immediately thereafter) completing any modifications or alterations in accordance with NFPA 72.

In most cases, repairs will require a full fire alarm submittal package. However, other, smaller repairs or alterations (i.e. those defined in City of Fresno Fire Department policies 407.8 and 407.9) will require a significantly smaller package.

In every case where it is practical, the City of Fresno Fire Department is to be consulted prior to the alteration or modification of a fire alarm system. Complete documentation shall be provided in accordance with NFPA 72, the California Fire Code and local requirements.

### **NOTE**

These requirements apply to both required and voluntary systems.

This policy is effective October 18, 2013.