Fire Department of the City of New York
Bureau of Fire Prevention

Technology Management

Standpipe Hose, Nozzle, and Rack Removal

Application Process and Pertinent Information
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As per the 2008 New York City Building Code Section 905.3.1 Exceptions 1, as an alternative to the requirements of a Class III standpipe system, the removal of hose, hose nozzles, and hose racks from existing hose stations is allowed, provided that an application is submitted to the Fire Department and additional requirements are met:

- A locked storage cabinet shall be provided on the main entrance floor in a location approved by the Fire Commissioner near the standpipe riser enclosure.
- A key for unlocking the storage cabinet shall be kept in a location where it is readily available to authorized persons, but not available to the general public.
- An additional labeled key shall be kept in a locked receptacle near the storage cabinet openable by a Fire Department standard key. Such receptacle shall be labeled, "FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT USE ONLY".
- A metal sign shall be placed in each stair enclosure on the main entrance floor stating clearly where the storage cabinet is located.
- Hose valves are capped with a hose valve cap fastened to the valve with a chain.

In addition to these requirements, removal of hose, hose nozzles, and hose racks shall only be allowed in buildings that are:

- Noncombustible
- Equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system in accordance with the 2008 NYC Building Code Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2
- Equipped with an approved fire alarm system

Submitting an Application

Submit completed application packet to FDNY Headquarters

Window #8
9 MetroTech Center
Brooklyn, NY 11201-3857
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**Required Documentation**

- TM-1 form signed by a registered design professional
  - NOTE: Under “Design and Installation Documents Submitted to Tech Management” – check “As per FC 105.4”
- Non-refundable document examination fee of $420
- A copy of the building’s most recent Certificate of Occupancy or Temporary Certificate of Occupancy
- Affidavit signed by registered design professional indicating
  - Existing building is of noncombustible construction
  - Documentation proving building is equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 2008 NYC Building Code Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2
  - Documentation proving building is equipped with an approved fire alarm system
- Three sets of 24”x36” scaled plans detailing the layout of the main entrance floor indicating
  - Location of proposed locked storage cabinet(s)
  - Provide specification of the equipment contained in the locked storage cabinet(s)
  - Location of a key readily available to authorized persons
  - Location of a key for Fire Department use only
  - Indication of a metal sign at each stair enclosure on main entrance floor stating clearly where the storage cabinet(s) are located
  - Indication that hose valves are capped with a hose valve cap fastened to the valve with a chain
- Standpipe riser diagram clarifying water supply for fire protection system(s)

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- If Application is approved
  - A letter of no objection and approved plans will be mailed to the applicant
- If Application is disapproved
  - An objection letter will be issued and e-mailed to the applicant stating the necessary changes. Re-submit through Window #8
- Once letter of no objection is received, an application for a work permit can be submitted to the Department of Buildings
Standpipe Impairment

For any removal from service of an existing standpipe system, regardless of scope of work, a letter of notification shall be submitted to the Fire Department Construction, Demolition and Abatement Unit.

Letter, and all pertinent information shall be mailed to the Construction, Demolition, and Abatement unit at:

Fire Department of the City of New York
Construction, Demolition and Abatement Unit
3rd Floor, Room 3N-6
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