

Fireguard Requirements

In any occupancy, where a required fire protection system is Out of Service, a fire watch shall be maintained. Fire watch can be maintained by one or more persons holding an F-01 Certificate of Fitness. The Fireguard(s) is required to be immediately available when the system is Out of Service with the following exception:

For the initial 4 hours of a planned or unplanned Out of Service condition, when the coverage area does not exceed 50,000 sq. ft., the Impairment Coordinator or a trained and knowledgeable personal who is capable of performing fire watch duties may perform the duties of fire watch.

Fireguards are required for impairments of any of the following systems:

- a. Sprinkler System
- b. Standpipe System
- c. Fire Alarm

A Fireguard can cover multiple floors as long as the coverage area does not exceed 50,000 sq. ft. and all coverage areas can be patrolled with 1 hour. If coverage area exceeds 50,000 sq. ft. an additional Fireguard is required.

Building with Approved Sprinkler System, During Construction:

When there is a **functioning TCSP** (Temporary Core Sprinkler Protection):

- a. Detectors (Heat, Smoke, Duct) may be disabled (disconnected)
- b. Manual Pull Stations must always remain In-Service
- c. Leave as many notification devices as practical in-service to provide adequate coverage of the floor
- d. Sprinkler System can only be placed Out Of Service (Drained or Valve Closed) when work is being performed on that sprinkler system

Note: No Fireguard is required after an **approved and functioning** TCSP system has been installed