MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMATIC FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS

The California Health and Safety Code requires the Oxnard Fire Department to enforce the inspection and servicing regulations of automatic fire extinguishing systems of the State Fire Marshal.

The following information outlines frequency of servicing requirements and provides you a checklist and log for the quarterly maintenance inspection of fire sprinkler systems. Records of inspections and servicing shall be maintained for five (5) years and must be presented to the fire department upon request.

All automatic fire extinguishing systems shall be serviced and maintained in accordance with the following frequencies:

1. Automatic fire sprinkler systems shall be maintained operable at all times and maintenance inspections shall be performed every three (3) months.
2. Automatic fire sprinkler systems shall be serviced at least every five (5) years.
3. Pre-engineered and engineered fire extinguishing systems serving commercial-type cooking equipment shall be serviced semiannually and immediately after a system activation.
4. Other pre-engineered and engineered fixed extinguishing systems shall be serviced semiannually and immediately after system activation.
5. Standpipe systems shall be maintained operable at all times and maintenance inspections shall be performed at least semiannually.
6. Standpipe systems shall be serviced at least every five (5) years.

All standpipe and automatic fire sprinkler systems shall receive initial service within five (5) years of their date of installation. It is your responsibility to provide proof of the date of installation (building permit or certificate of occupancy).

All service on automatic fire extinguishing systems shall be performed by a concern licensed by the State Fire Marshal.

A license is not required to perform "maintenance inspections." They may be done by any person designated by the building owner or occupant.