

A fire watch shall be provided when the system cannot be repaired in a timely manner (more than 24 hours) and/or the lack of protection creates a building or life safety hazard as determined by the Fire Marshal or his/her authorized representative.

Exception: When a building is equipped with an automatic fire sprinkler system and an emergency back-up power supply (i.e. emergency generator) a fire watch will not be required.

- E. A fire watch shall be established immediately when fire protection, detection, and alarm systems are not in operation in high, life-risk occupancies such as hospitals, care facilities, schools, high-rise buildings and R-1 residential occupancies.
- F. The minimum level of fire guard service shall be one guard per floor in multistory buildings and one guard for each fire protection system zone in single story buildings. Additional guards assigned as fire watch may depend on the hazard and building design. The fire watch service will continue until the automatic fire protection or detection system is placed back in service.
- *V.* **FALSE ALARMS:** Three or more false alarms within a 12 month period will be charged per hour for the fire engine response. A minimum of one (1) hour will be charged according to the current wages and salaries for the engine company.

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