



Fire Watch

In the event of a failure of a fire-protection system or an excessive number of accidental activations, the Fire Code Official is authorized to require the building owner or occupant to provide fire watch personnel until the system is repaired.

901.7 Systems out of service. Where a required fire protection system is out of service, the fire department and **the fire code official shall be notified immediately** and, where required by the fire code official, the building shall either be evacuated or an approved fire watch shall be provided for all occupants left unprotected by the shut down until the fire protection system has been returned to service.

Where utilized, fire watches shall be provided with at least one approved means for notification of the fire department and their only duty shall be to perform constant patrols of the protected premises and keep watch for fires. Such individuals shall be provided with at least one approved means for notification of the fire department and their only duty shall be to perform constant patrols of the protected premises and keep watch for fires.

The job of the Fire Watch:

- Shall do fire watch only.
- No security work.
- No maintenance work.
- No firefighting, just call 911 and get people out of the building.
- Fire Watch shall keep walking all floors and areas as indicated on the form.
- During break time, fire watch shall have a stand in.

The attached Fire Watch Form shall be filled out and must remain on scene.

Only the TFD Fire Prevention Division can release the fire watch, once initiated.

When the fire alarm/sprinkler system is back in service, contact your TFD Inspector or the Fire Prevention Division @ 520-791-4502 (during normal business hours) to have the system corrections verified and the fire watch removed. Once verified, Fire Dispatch shall be notified at 791- 4803. The caller must be a TFD Inspector or a licensed fire alarm/sprinkler repair person.