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GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

19-05 Nonrequired Fire Alarm Systems

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When nonrequired or voluntary fire alarm systems are provided within a building to protect life, property, or both by indicating a fire within the protected premises, it must meet the requirements of NFPA 72 (the same as all required fire alarm systems)

The following requirements do not apply to systems or devices intended as <u>supervisory only</u>. Examples of supervisory systems are specific hazard protection, fire sprinkler or fire pump panels, and devices.

- Audible notification appliances
- Visual notification appliances
- At least one manual pull box when fire detection or waterflow devices are present
- A fire alarm control panel that is properly listed for fire alarm purposes

When smoke or heat detection is provided voluntarily it must be installed to meet code with the exception that detection spacing rules do not apply.

RE: NFPA 72 (2002 Ed.) 6.2.3.1, 6.2.1, 6.8.5.7, 5.5.2.4.2, 6.8.6.1, 6.8.5.1.2, 4.3.1, 5.5.2.4.1 / Title 156 (NAG) 4.28.1,