



# City of National City Fire Department

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## Fire Watch

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**Project:** All Applicable Projects  
**Reviews:** R. Hernandez/Fire Marshal

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*Where a required fire alarm or fire sprinkler system is out of service for more than 4 hours in a 24-hour period, the authority having jurisdiction shall be notified, and the building shall be evacuated, or an approved fire watch shall be provided for all parties left unprotected by the shutdown, until the life safety system have been returned to service*

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### PURPOSE:

It is the purpose of this standard to define a uniform guide for providing a fire watch when required by the National City Fire Department Office of The Fire Marshal. Contractors shall be approved by the National City Fire Department prior to deployment and work being accomplished

### SCOPE:

This standard shall set forth the requirement of a fire watch when a building or premises presents a hazard to life or property as the result of a fire or other emergency, or when it is determined that any fire protection equipment or life safety system is inoperable, defective, inadequate, has been taken out of service, is not approved, or when deemed necessary by the National City Fire Department Office of The Fire Marshal

### AUTHORITY:

All fire watch personnel shall meet the minimum requirements of the CFC and NFPA

## INSTRUCTIONS:

The owner, manager, or person in charge or control of the building/premises shall assign to the fire watch as many personnel as are required by the National City Fire Department and shall instruct fire watch personnel as to:

1. The procedure for notifying the National City Fire Department Office of The Fire Marshal
2. The area(s) to be patrolled
3. Training necessary to insure Fire Watch personnel are capable of activating fire alarm/sprinkler systems, and the use of fire extinguishers when required or necessary
4. Any special instructions required by the National City Fire Department
5. Procedures for notifying the building or facility occupants
6. A method of calling or notifying the fire service of an emergency/911

## LOG

1. The owner, manager, person in charge, or in control of the premises shall provide a log book which contains a directory of names, telephone numbers and other information to assist in making emergency calls
2. The log book shall be the official document used to record a history of patrol rounds
3. The log book shall be maintained on the premises and be available for inspection by the National City Fire Department upon request

Approval for final sign-off shall be contingent upon final field inspection and compliance with all applicable codes and ordinances.

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