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CITY OF COALINGA FIRE DEPARTMENT		
FIRE PREVENTION STANDARD		
STANDARD TITLE:	405.029 FIRE SPRINKLER BELL REQUIREMENTS	
STANDARD NUMBER: 405.029	EFFECTIVE DATE: October 26, 2022	REVISION DATE: October 26, 2022

PURPOSE

This policy has been established to provide direction for the placement and specifications of fire sprinkler system alarm bells.

APPLICATION

This policy applies to all fire sprinkler system installations, including required and voluntary systems.

OPERATIONAL POLICY

As noted in the latest edition of the California Fire Code (CFC) the Fresno Fire Department (FFD or Department) is permitted to specify the requirements for all fire sprinkler system bells.

REQUIREMENTS

Based upon the need for uniformity in application across the Department's service delivery area, the Department has determined that each fire sprinkler system bell is required to be as follows:

1. All bells must be installed to face the street the property (or building) is addressed to or be installed on the side of the building where the main entrance for the general public is located.

Note: At the sole discretion of the Fire Marshal, or designee, a fire sprinkler system bell may be positioned to an adjacent location which provides an equivalent level of notification when it is not practical to face the bell as noted above.

An economic condition or aesthetic concern is not considered a valid basis for a request to modify a fire sprinkler bell location.

Developers may obtain a permit from the applicable jurisdiction should they desire to readdress the building for these concerns.

2. Bell specifications are to be as noted below:
 - A. Bells for all Group R installations are required to be 6" or larger.



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B. Bells for all other occupancy groups must be 10" or larger.

Submitted fire sprinkler plans are required to note the location and size of the fire sprinkler system bell. The location of the bell must be in accordance with this policy prior to system final.

OPERATIONAL GUIDELINE

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INFORMATION

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DEFINITIONS

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CROSS REFERENCES

California Fire Code, Current edition