

# CONSHOHOCKEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## GUIDE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FIRE ALARM & SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

In an effort to avoid problems when installing a new fire alarm/sprinkler system or modifying existing fire alarm/sprinkler systems, the Conshohocken Fire Marshal's office is providing the following guidelines for qualified, licensed contractors:

### REQUIREMENTS

1. A completed permit application with fee must be submitted to the Fire Marshal's Office for approval. A fee schedule is attached. No work shall begin until the Fire Code Official has issued the permit.
2. All Contractors working in the Borough of Conshohocken must have a current contractor's license on file with the Borough. Applications are available at Borough Hall. A \$75.00 fee is required and proof of insurance is required. The Fire Code Official may require a Certificate of Fitness for any contractor desiring to work in the Borough.
3. Plans (2 sets) designed in accordance with the applicable code(s) as well as manufacturer's cuts for system components shall be required. Plans shall bear the seal and signature of a qualified fire protection engineer. Plans for fire alarm systems, both new installations and existing system modifications, as well as existing sprinkler system modifications are reviewed in house. NEW Sprinkler system plans are reviewed third party by All State Design Group – 1000 North York Road - Willow Grove, Pa. 19090. Contact Phil Gaughan at All State, 610-659-7970 for the procedure and fee schedule.
4. All installation work and equipment shall comply with the 1999 Edition of NFPA 72, The National Fire Alarm Code and/or The 1999 Edition of NFPA 13, Sprinkler System Installations and all applicable local codes.
5. A key vault for rapid access shall be part of the required installations.
6. The Fire Marshal's office requires rough-in and final inspections. A member of the Fire Marshal's Office will *witness* the acceptance test of *all* system components. *It is the responsibility of the contractor/responsible person in charge to schedule the inspection.*

Please feel free to contact a member of this office at any time with questions regarding your project.

**1. Fire Suppression Systems, Standpipes, Sprinklers, Hose Cabinets, Fire Hydrants.**

**A. New Construction**

**\$100.00 initial cost covering 1<sup>st</sup> \$1,000.00 of construction**

**\$10.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof**

**B. Alterations and Repairs**

**\$100.00 initial cost covering 1<sup>st</sup> \$1,000.00 of construction**

**\$10.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof**

**2. Automatic Alarm and Detection Systems**

**(Exception: Single station smoke detectors installed in single family dwellings.)**

**\$100.00 initial cost**

**\$10.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof**

**3. Permits for the install, removal or abandonment of tanks for the storage of flammable or combustible liquids and gas.**

**\$100.00**

**4. Fireworks Permit**

**\$100.00**

**5. Blasting Permit**

**\$100.00**

**6. Fire Prevention Operational Permits (all other uses listed in Chapter 1 of the 2003 International Fire Code)**

**\$75.00**

**7. Fire Marshal's Report**

**\$25.00**