PROVIDE SPARE FIRE SPRINKLER HEADS AND/OR COMPATIBLE WRENCH

Violation #21

CODE SECTIONS

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Section 6.2.9.1 A supply of at least six spare sprinklers shall be maintained on the premises so that any sprinklers that have operated or been damaged in any way can be promptly replaced.

Section 6.2.9.6 One sprinkler wrench as specified by the sprinkler manufacturer shall be provided in the cabinet for each type of sprinkler installed to be used for the removal and installation of sprinklers in the system

EXPLANATION

Most spare fire sprinkler cabinets are located near the fire sprinkler riser. Inside should be at least six spare fire sprinkler heads. Each type of fire sprinkler utilized in the system shall be kept on hand, with an equal number of each type of fire sprinkler head. For example, for a system with both upright and pendant type fire sprinklers, at least three of each type should be kept in the cabinet. Additionally, a fire sprinkler head wrench should be stored in the sprinkler head cabinet for each type of fire sprinkler installed on the system.

RATIONALE

Should a fire sprinkler in your system either activate or is damaged, you must put the fire sprinkler system back into service as soon as possible. This action will allow your sprinkler system to continue to protect your building. By providing both spare fire sprinkler head and a wrench to replace them, the fire sprinkler contractor can replace the fire sprinkler head and place your system back in service