

LifeSafety CMS Regs

Task	Frequency	Reference	Performed By	Documentation Location
Test supervisory signal devices (except valve tamper switches)	Quarterly	NFPA 72-1999: Table 7-3.2 EC.02.03.05 EP 1		
Test tamper switches	Every 6 months	NFPA 72-1999: Table 7-3.2 EC.02.03.05 EP 2		
Water-flow devices	Quarterly Every 6 months for health care facilities using the CMS Categorical Waiver	NFPA 25-1998: 2-3.3,3.3.3, NFPA 72-1999: Table 7-3.2 NFPA 25-2011 5.3.3 (when using the CMS Categorical Waiver) EC.02.03.05 EP 2		
Test duct detectors, electromechanical releasing devices, heat detectors, manual fire alarm boxes, and smoke detectors	Every 12 months	NFPA 72-1999: Table 7-3.2 EC.02.03.05 EP 3		
Test visual and audible fire alarms, including speakers	Every 12 months	NFPA 72-1999: Table 7-3.2 EC.02.03.05 EP 4		

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Test fire alarm equipment for notifying off-site fire responders	Quarterly	NFPA 72-1999: Table 7-3.2 EC.02.03.05 EP 5		
Test fire pump(s) under no-flow conditions	Weekly Monthly for electric motor-driven fire pumps at health care facilities using the CMS Categorical Waiver	NFPA 25:1998: 5.3.2.1, 5.3.2.2 NFPA 25:2011: 8.33. NFPA 25-2011 5.3.3 (when using the CMS Categorical Waiver) EC.02.03.05 EP 6		
Test water storage tank high- and low-level alarms	Every 6 months	NFPA 25-1998:6-3.5 EC.02.03.05 EP 7		
Test water storage tank low water temperature alarms	Monthly during cold weather	NFPA 25-1998:6.3 EC.02.03.05 EP 8		
Test sprinkler systems main drain at system low point or at all system risers	Every 12 months	NFPA 25: Table 9-2.6 EC.02.03.05 EP 9		
Inspect all fire department water supply connections	Quarterly	NFPA 25: Table 9-7.1 EC.02.03.05 EP 11		

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Test water flow for standpipe systems	Every 5 years	NFPA 25-1998: 3.3.2 EC.02.03.05 EP 12		
Test carbon dioxide and other gaseous extinguishing systems	Every 12 months	Every 12 Months EC.02.03.05 EP 14		
Inspect portable fire extinguishers	Monthly	NFPA 10-1998: 1-6, 4-3, 4-4 EC.02.03.05 EP 15		
Perform maintenance on portable fire extinguishers	Every 12 months	NFPA 10-1998: 1-6, 4-3, 4-4 EC.02.03.05 EP 16		
Conduct a hydrostatic test on standpipe hoses	5 years after installation, every 3 years thereafter	NFPA 25-1988: 6-3 EC.02.03.05 EP 17		
Operate fire and smoke dampers to insure that they fully close	1 year after installation, every 4 years thereafter	NFPA 90A-1999: 4-4.1 EC.02.03.05 EP 18		

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Test automatic smoke-detection shutdown devices for air-handling equipment	Every 12 months	<p>NFPA 90A-1999: Section 4-4.1</p> <p>EC.02.03.05 EP 19</p>		
Test sliding and rolling fire doors for proper operation and full closure	Every 12 months	<p>NFPA 80-1999: 15-3.4</p> <p>EC.02.03.05 EP 20</p>		