

Permit Requirements Fire Alarms

Kern County Fire Department



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Please include completed Application for Permit (KCFD 200) with submittal

Fee Amount: \$435.00

Fee Code: 1.2

Note: Plus \$70 for each group of 25 devices

2019 California Fire Code (CFC) – Chapter 9, Section 907, NFPA – 72

This document is to aid in the construction permitting process including Change of Use/Occupancy for a fire alarm system within commercial buildings or tenant spaces regarding what should be submitted for the Fire Marshal's Office review. Because every building differs, this guideline is not intended to identify each code requirement applicable, therefore the applicant must follow California Fire Code Chapter 9 section 907. Other Fire Department operational permits may be required.

This document covers the application and installation of fire alarm systems and their components in new and existing buildings and structures. The requirements of CFC Section 907.2 are applicable to new buildings and structures. The requirements of CFC Section 907.9 are applicable to existing buildings and structures.

1. Permits for commercial fire alarms shall be applied for at 2820 M St., Bakersfield, CA 93301.
2. Fee shall be submitted at the time of application submittal. Make check payable to Kern County Fire Department. **Visa and MasterCard accepted.**

Documentation Submittal Requirements:

3. Provide three (3) copies of the fire alarm plan, including copies of the mechanical drawings only from the construction plans, and one (1) set of the most current system components and design cut sheets from the manufacturer's manual. Systems and components shall be California State Fire Marshal listed and approved in accordance with California Code of Regulations, UL, Title 19, Division 1 for the purpose for which they are installed.
 - a. **Contractor's business name, address, C-10 license number, Industrial Relations, and NICET level 2 license number for all technicians, telephone number, and designer's name.**
 - b. Business name, business site address, date.

Plans Submittal Requirements for Commercial Fire Alarm Systems

4. A complete floor plan that provides the location of all devices (including existing devices if new FACP is a part of proposed work).
5. A manual/automatic alarm system that activates the occupant notification system in accordance with 2019 CFC 907.5 shall be installed in all Group A, R-1, and R-2 occupancies.
6. Alarm, supervisory, and trouble signals shall be annunciated in the main control unit by means of an audible signal and a visual display in accordance with NFPA 72. Identification of the type of initiation, (alarm, supervisory, trouble) will be listed in the sequence of operations. All initiating devices such as sprinkler water-flow, sprinkler valve supervisory, fire-pump supervisory, etc., will be addressed properly at the alarm panel. Fire alarm systems required by this chapter shall be monitored by an approved supervising station in accordance with NFPA 72.
7. Upon completion of the installation, the fire alarm system, and all fire alarm components shall be tested in accordance with 2019 CFC Sections 907.7 through 907.8 and NFPA 72 and as a final Fire Department inspection.

Additional Requirements: _____

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