

## Simplified Fire Sprinkler Permit Criteria

- This permit applies only to:
  - ❖ Fire sprinkler alteration projects involving 20 or fewer sprinklers with the same K-factor, or the installation or replacement of an equivalent sprinkler system **component**, in an existing commercial, residential, apartment, cooperative, or condominium building, provided the permit does not change the hazard classification or increase the system coverage area.
- **“Component”** refers to valves, fire sprinklers, escutcheons, hangers, compressors, or any other item deemed acceptable by the local enforcing agency. For the purposes of this document, a valve does not include pressure-regulating, pressure-reducing, or pressure-control valves.
- **Fire Plans:** Plans must be reviewed on-site during inspections.
- While submission of plans or specifications is not required for a fire sprinkler system project that meets the criteria outlined in FSS 553.7932(1)(d), FSS 553.7932(5)(b) mandates that the contractor maintain a copy of the plans and specifications, along with the permit, at the project worksite. These documents must be made available to the inspector during each inspection.
- For fire sprinkler projects involving the installation or replacement of a component, the contractor must maintain a copy of the manufacturer’s installation instructions and any relevant testing instructions required to certify or accept the component at the worksite. These documents must also be made available to the inspector during each inspection.
- If a fire sprinkler project does not meet the criteria of FSS 553.7932, a regular fire sprinkler system permit will be required.

## Simplified Fire Alarm Permit Criteria

- This permit applies only to:
  - ❖ The alteration of 20 or fewer initiating or notification devices, the installation or replacement of a fire communicator connected to an existing fire alarm control panel and beginning July 1, 2025—the replacement of an **existing fire alarm control panel** with the same make and model in an existing commercial, residential, apartment, cooperative, or condominium building.
- **Fire Plans:** Plans must be reviewed on-site during inspections.
- While submittal of plans or specifications is not required for a fire alarm system project that meets the criteria outlined in FSS 553.7932(2)(c), FSS 553.7932(5) mandates that the contractor maintain a copy of the plans and specifications, along with the permit, at the project worksite. These documents must be made available to the inspector during each inspection.
- Fire alarm system work valued over \$5,000 must be dated, signed, and sealed by a Florida registered Professional Engineer.
- If a fire alarm project does not meet the criteria of FSS 553.7932, a regular fire alarm system permit will be required.

