



FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

CITY OF LACONIA FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION
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Call (603) 524-6881 for appointments and information

FIRE
PREVENTION
Suppression

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Where Required (Based from NFPA 101: Life Safety Code):

New or substantially renovated Lodging and Rooming Houses
New Places of Public Assemblies with occupancy over 300 persons
New or existing Places of Public Assembly used for exhibitions exceeding 15,000 sq. ft.
New or existing Places of Public Assembly used as nightclubs with occupancy over 100 persons.
New Healthcare facilities
Existing Health Care facilities containing nursing homes
New Educational exceeding 12,000 sq. ft.
New and existing Educational where students are housed below the level of exit discharge
New Detention and Corrections facilities (as specified by the Life Safety Code)
New Hotels and Dormitories
Existing high-rise Hotels and Dormitories
New apartment buildings
New Residential Board and Care
New Mercantile over 3 stories or 12,000 sq. ft. or 2,500 sq. ft. below the level of exit discharge
Existing Bulk Merchandising retail buildings

Note: This is not an all-encompassing list and is meant to be used as a guide for the most common types of occupancies. There may be situations where occupancy types not listed are required to have sprinkler systems. Please contact the Laconia Fire Department Fire Prevention Division if there are questions as to whether a building requires a sprinkler system.

Additionally, fire sprinklers are required in the following by city ordinance:

New commercial structures over 8,000 sq. ft.

The NH State Fire Code Amendments exempt fire sprinklers from the following:

New Single-family residential buildings.
Existing buildings changing occupancy to 3- or 4-unit apartments.
Rooming and Boarding houses with NH State Fire Marshal's exemption approval

