



Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services

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240-777-0311 or 311 in Montgomery County
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FIRE PUMP INSPECTION PROCESS

ALL ISSUED PERMITS MUST BE INSPECTED BY DPS

All fire protection system permits issued must be inspected by **DPS FIRE PROTECTION** inspectors prior to the system being considered approved and completed. Please read carefully and follow the information below to ensure that your fire protection system work is installed and approved in a manner compliant with all applicable codes and standards.

Inspection requests made before 12 noon will be scheduled for the next working day, requests made after 12:00 noon will be scheduled within two working days. *A DPS inspector will contact you regarding the approximate time that they plan to arrive at the inspection site.*

The permit, approved plans and all attached notes, comments and/or inspection reports shall be kept on the site and available for immediate review until the project has received final DPS approval. The permit must be conspicuously posted.

The following is a list of inspection types available for scheduling, a description of the inspection type and responsibilities of the applicant/person scheduling the inspection. Additional information and/or scheduling assistance is available by calling 240.777.0311 or using our Staff Directory.

- 276 **FIREPUMP** – A flow test used to determine whether the fire pump and related equipment performs according to the manufacturer’s specifications. A fire pump test is conducted after the pump installation is completed and tied into the water supply. All related equipment installation such as the jockey pump, sensing lines, and controller must be completed. **A manufacturer representative must be present during fire pump testing.** Note that the electrical inspection must be completed and approved by DPS prior to the pump test.

Overtime inspections are offered based on DPS inspector availability and receipt of payment prior to the inspection being scheduled. Overtime inspections may be scheduled by calling 240.777.0311, by speaking directly with a DPS inspector or, by visiting DPS offices. Please note that there is a fee associated with overtime inspections, the cost of which may be found in the [DPS Fee Schedule](#).