




Department of Permitting Services
Division of Fire Prevention and Fire Code Compliance
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CODE INTERPRETATION/POLICY

Code/Year	Section of Code	Title of Code Section/Subsection/Policy
NFPA 13D/2013	10.1	Design Discharge
<p>Statement/Background of Issue:</p> <p>These code sections require the sprinkler system to provide the required flow and pressure for the design area.</p> <p>Division Interpretation/Policy:</p> <p>The required flow and pressure is determined by the hydraulic design of the system. The booster pump must start at or above the required pressure and maintain the calculated flow and pressure throughout the duration of sprinkler discharge.</p> <p>JUSTIFICATION:</p> <p>To clarify the intent of the code sections and ensure when pumps have been approved, that the calculated flows and pressures are provided. At these flows and pressures the sprinkler pattern will be provided as listed and designed.</p>		
Interpretation/Policy No. FPC 14-2018	Date 11-05-2018	Division Chief  Hemal Mustafa