

Swinging Fire Door Inspection



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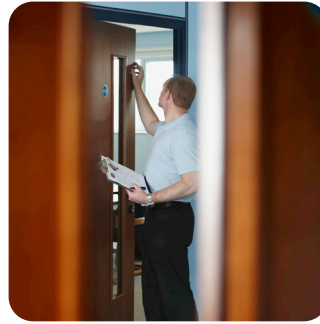
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Fire-rated doors are an integral part of your building's overall fire protection plan. A properly operating fire door is a vital component in stopping the spread of fire, smoke and toxic fumes.



Annual fire door inspections were introduced with the adoption of the 2007 Edition of NFPA 80. The standard requires that fire-rated doors be tested for functionality no less than annually and that a written record of the inspection be kept on file for the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ).

As of July 5, 2016, the U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has adopted the 2012 edition of NFPA 101: Life Safety Code, which requires that health care facility operators conduct a yearly inspection of fire door assemblies in accordance with NFPA 80: Standard for Fire Doors and Other Opening Protectives. This includes all side-hinged swinging fire-rated doors in your facility, whether or not they are located in a required fire rated barrier.

The new CMS guidelines apply to:

Hospitals, long term care (LTC) facilities, critical access hospitals (CAHs), inpatient hospice facilities, programs for all inclusive care for the elderly (PACE), religious non-medical healthcare institutions (RNHCI), ambulatory surgical centers (ASCs), intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF-IID).

According to NFPA 80 (5.2.4.2) – As a minimum, the following items shall be verified for fire doors:

- No open holes or breaks exist in surfaces of either the door or frame.
- Glazing, vision light frames & glazing beads are intact and securely fastened in place, if so equipped.
- The door, frame, hinges, hardware, and noncombustible threshold are secured, aligned, and in working order with no visible signs of damage.
- No parts are missing or broken.
- Door clearances at the door edge of the door frame, on the pull side of the door, do not exceed clearances listed in 4.8.4
- The self-closing device is operational; that is, the active door completely closes when operated from the full open position.
- If a coordinator is installed, the inactive leaf closes before the active leaf.
- Latching hardware operates and secures the door when it is in the closed position.
- Auxiliary hardware items that interfere or prohibit operation are not installed on the door or frame.
- No field modifications to the door assembly have been performed that void the label.
- Gaskets and edge seals, where required, are inspected to verify their presence and integrity.

To maintain safety and bring your facility into compliance Approved Protection Systems offers certified fire door inspections. Our technicians are thoroughly trained and certified in the latest NFPA requirements. Our inspection service includes barcoding of every door, with an on-line inspection report available 24/7 for each door.