



Planning & Building Agency
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FIRE DEPARTMENT PLAN CHECK SERVICES

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A. APPLICABLE BUILDING STANDARDS:

1. 2007 California Fire Code (CFC).
2. 2007 California Building Code (CBC).
3. Santa Ana Municipal Code (SAMC).

B. TYPES OF WORK THAT REQUIRE FIRE DEPARTMENT PLAN CHECK AND APPROVAL ON THE CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS:

1. All new buildings and site plans for all occupancies/uses.
2. Improvements to existing buildings and facilities. Exception: Interior improvements in non-fire-sprinklered single story dwelling units and appurtenant structures classified as Group U.
3. Security bars & grills.
4. Electronic ingress/egress door locking security systems.
5. All buildings with automatic sprinklers, standpipes or hose cabinets.
6. Spray booths and rooms.
7. Chemical extinguishing systems (hood systems, Halon, Co2, etc.).
8. Water extinguishing systems (underground fire line, sprinklers, standpipes, etc.).
9. Private fire hydrant installation (location of public hydrants only).
10. Storage racks and all high pile stock (height depends on commodity class.) Plan review includes smoke vents, draft curtains, Fire Department access, exiting, and fire sprinkler system design.
11. High rise structures and life safety systems.
12. High pressure/low pressure gas systems including medical gases.
13. Industrial and commercial ovens and kilns.
14. Places of assembly.
15. Occupancies using mechanical refrigeration (not air conditioning).
16. Fire alarm systems.
17. Dust collection systems.
18. Hazardous materials storage including aerosols, fumigants, pesticides, explosives, etc.
19. Fireworks stands.

20. Christmas tree lots.
21. Circuses, carnivals, and specific events.
22. Re-roofing repairs that alter skylights, access ways, roof hatches, etc., except R-3 and U occupancies.
23. Interior lot fences, gates, block walls on commercial property.
24. Walk-in freezer, refrigerator or storage box.
25. Underground storage tanks and system piping.
26. Above ground storage tanks and system piping.
27. Parking lot layouts. Plan review includes fire lanes.
28. Any other improvement the Building Official feels would warrant a Fire Department plan check.
29. Photovoltaic Systems (Solar Panels).
30. Public Safety Radio Systems.

C. WHAT IS REQUIRED FOR A FIRE DEPARTMENT PLAN CHECK:

1. Show compliance with all site plan review conditions.
2. Check with the Planning and Building Agency Permit and Plan Check Section (647-5800) for the number of sets of plans required. Generally a minimum of four sets of plans are required for interior improvements; five sets for new buildings and additions.
3. Reference should be made to Building Safety Division public handouts on Plan Preparation and Plan Check Submittal Requirements.

D. FIRE DEPARTMENT PLAN CHECK SUBMITTALS:

1. New Plan Submittals are required to be submitted at the Building Department Permit Counter, City Hall, 20 Civic Center Plaza, 1st floor.
2. If you have questions regarding Fire Plan Check submissions or the new process, please call 714-647-5700.
3. Fire Department Administration Building is located at 1439 S. Broadway, Santa Ana, CA 92707.