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TO: Development Services Customers

SUBJECT: **INFORMATION BULLETIN 218**
Multipurpose Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems (MRFPSS)

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CREATED BY: Field Services Division

Purpose:

As a customer service initiative, the Development Services Department (DSD) created this **revised** bulletin to update Information Bulletin (IB) 218 on multipurpose residential fire protection sprinkler systems. This bulletin has been updated to incorporate the department's new format for Information Bulletins.

The purpose of this IB is to provide plumbing contractors with guidance as to how to obtain a Multipurpose Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems (MRFPSS) Permit. The MRFPSS is an additional, separate plumbing permit required beyond the normal sewer, gas and interior plumbing permits.

Scope:

Licensing Requirements;

Only a Responsible Master Plumber (RMP) who holds a Multipurpose Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Specialist Endorsement can design the system, sign and seal the plans. In addition, the RMP State issued MRFPSS license endorsement must be registered with Development Services Department.

Permit Application;

MRFPSS systems are permitted as an "MRFPSS" Plumbing Permit in the Hansen Land Development permitting system. The RMP State issued MRFPSS license endorsement must be registered with Development Services Department to enable the RMP to secure permits. Applicants will need to complete a [Plumbing/Sewer/Gas Permit Application](#) and submit it in person or on-line through the Hansen Dynamic Portal.

Installation Requirements;

The installation of the MRFPS system can be performed by MRFPS endorsed licensed Journeymen or Master Plumber. These individuals must work under the Responsible Master Plumber who holds the (MRFPS) Multipurpose Residential Fire Protection Sprinkler Specialist Endorsement.

Inspection Scheduling;

MRFPS inspections can be scheduled on-line using the on-line permitting system or by using your smart phone for free [Plumbing/Sewer/Gas Permit Application](#) or you can call (210) 207-1111 and Development Services will schedule your inspection for a fee of \$3.00 per inspection request.

Permit Inspections;

MRFPS Plumbing Permits require a rough-in (at Framing stage) inspection and a final inspection. The Master endorsed, designed, signed and sealed plans **shall** be on site for all scheduled DSD MRFPS plumbing inspections.

Applicable Codes and Standards;

The following model codes and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards are currently adopted as amended by the City of San Antonio Code:

-  **International Residential Code**, 2015 Edition, as adopted by Chapter 10, Buildings, Code of Ordinances
-  **International Fire Code**, 2015 Edition, as adopted by Chapter 11, Fire Prevention, Code of Ordinances
-  **NFPA 13D** Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in One-and Two-Family Dwellings and Manufactured Homes, 2013 Edition

Should you have any questions regarding this Information Bulletin, please contact the Plumbing Inspections Supervisor at (210) 207-8279.

Summary:

This Information Bulletin is for informational purposes only.

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