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Fire Alarm Outdoor Annunciator Panels

The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify our requirements on outdoor fire alarm annunciator panels.

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Fire alarm systems, including remote annunciator, shall be installed in conformance with CAN/ULC-S524-14, "Installation of Fire Alarm Systems".

ULC-S524-14 listed all the standards governing the installation of all devices and equipment used in a fire alarm system, including ULC-S527 for control units.

Effective immediately all fire alarm annunciator panels installed outdoor shall be marked and certified for their intended installation environment (indoor or outdoor) and location (dry, damp or wet) to comply with the current ULC-S527.

Fire alarm annunciator panels that do not have the proper certification for outdoor use shall be located within the building in a common space and should be properly identified to the satisfaction of the Fire Department.

All repair/replacement/modification of an existing fire alarm system are required to comply with this bulletin.

If you have any questions please contact the Building Department at 604-294-7130.

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