



State of Alaska

Department of Public Safety

Division of Fire and Life Safety

Sean Parnell, Governor
Joseph A. Masters, Commissioner

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Fire Protection Professionals,

With this letter I am rescinding Fire and Life Safety Policy number 10-2 which adopted NFPA TIA 10-2 regarding anti-freeze solutions in sprinkler systems.

Historically our office has issued policies to offer clarification to or our interpretation of existing codes. The purpose of our policy regarding this TIA was to advise fire protection professionals across the state of the new information regarding safety considerations in connection with some sprinkler systems. However, after a legal review we determined that using policy to change regulation was inappropriate.

It should be noted that NFPA TIA 10-2 is still a valid document. It is incumbent upon you to share this information with your customers to ensure that they are making informed decisions with regard to their sprinkler systems. This TIA was issued because of a potential fire and explosion hazard that may exist during the activation of some sprinkler systems.

If any potential solutions on how to mitigate this potential hazard while still meeting the intent of the code should arise, we will gladly review them as an "Application for Modification" (AFM) on a case by case basis. I thank you for your understanding and for the service you provide to residents of this state. Please feel free to contact my office at any time should you need to discuss this matter further.

Respectfully,

David L. Tyler
Alaska State Fire Marshal