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Ohio Board of Building Standards

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AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS DESIGNERS

Since the adoption of Am. Sub. Senate Bill No. 293 effective September 26, 1996, questions have been raised concerning the types of fire suppression systems automatic sprinkler systems designers are allowed to design.

Several letters written to the board have asked: "Since the NICET special hazards certification includes the design of foam water systems, will those who are currently certified as ASSD's be allowed to continue the design of these systems."

To answer this concern, the Board has adopted the following position:

CURRENT HOLDERS OF A STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION AS AN AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM DESIGNER SHALL BE PERMITTED TO CONTINUE THE PRACTICE OF DESIGNING WATER EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS INCLUDING FOAM-WATER SYSTEMS AND SYSTEMS WITH ADDITIVES.

If you have any questions, please write or call the board staff at (614) 644-2613.