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Inspection Frequency Clarification

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Question: On form AES 2, Item 1.8 Pipes and Fittings; the frequency for inspection is indicated as quarterly. 5.2.2 states, "Pipe and Fittings. Sprinkler pipe installed under an exposed ceiling shall be inspected annually from the floor level. Sprinkler pipe installed in inaccessible concealed spaces shall not be required to be inspected." Which is correct?

Answer: Sprinkler pipe installed under an exposed ceiling shall be inspected annually. Where a conflict exists between a form and the regulation, the regulation takes precedence.

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