



California State Fire Marshal Information Bulletin

Issued: July 10, 2007

Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Water Based Fire Protection Systems that include a Pressure Maintenance (Jockey) Pump California Code of Regulations Title 19/NFPA 25, 2006 California Edition

Question. Are there any requirements for inspection, testing, and maintenance of pressure maintenance (jockey) pumps?

Answer: Yes. NFPA 25 2006 California Edition Section 8.1.2 includes the pressure maintenance (jockey) pump as part of the fire pump assembly. Section 8.2 provides the requirements for the inspection of pump assemblies, Section 8.3 provides the requirements for the testing of pump assemblies, and Section 8.5 provides the requirements for the maintenance of pump assemblies.

Pressure maintenance (jockey) pumps shall be tested by starting the pressure maintenance (jockey) pump automatically by dropping pressure. The start and stop pressures should be noted in the “Deficiencies and Comments” section at the end of the form.

If you have further questions, please contact Supervising Deputy State Fire Marshal James Parsegian at james.parsegian@fire.ca.gov or (916) 445-8415.

For more information please visit our website <http://osfm.fire.ca.gov>