

CHICAGO CODE CLARIFICATIONS

Title 14B, Section 903.3.1.2 – NFPA 13R Sprinkler Systems

Where NFPA 13R sprinkler systems are required per Title 14B, Section 903.3.1.2, the following clarifications apply:

A. Scope:

a. Notwithstanding other code sections, automatic sprinkler systems designed per NFPA 13R shall only apply to residential occupancies up to and including four stories in height in buildings not exceeding 55 feet in height above grade plane.

B. Garages:

a. Sprinkler protection is required in all attached parking garages.

C. Design Area:

a. NFPA 13R sprinkler systems are required to have a 4-head design area.

Exception:

For penthouses with less than 4 sprinklers, the design is allowed to be done according to the number of sprinklers in that space.

D. The Chicago Fire Prevention Bureau reserves the right to make any changes necessary to these requirements.