



Riverside County Fire Department

Office of the Fire Marshal

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Technical Policy

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| Title: Automatic Fire Sprinkler System Riser Accessibility | | |
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| Code References: 2019 California Fire Code, Chapter 5, Section 509 | | |

The Riverside County Fire Department (RCFD) Office of the Fire Marshal will apply the following requirements for fire sprinkler riser servicing accessibility to facilitate the maintenance of automatic fire sprinkler systems in accordance with California Fire Code Section 509.

Automatic fire sprinkler system risers shall not be obstructed in any manner. If a system riser is to be concealed by means of a wall, soffit, column, or other building construction, it shall be provided with eighteen (18) inch clearance to each side and to the front of the system riser. Access shall be provided by means of a door with the minimum dimensions two (2) feet six (6) inches in width by six (6) feet eight (8) inches in height from the exterior of the building directly to the riser as approved by the fire code official.

Questions regarding specific applications should be directed to RCFD Office of the Fire Marshal staff.