

SECTION 212200 CLEAN-AGENT FIRE-EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

A. Section Includes:

1. Clean-agent fire-extinguishing systems.
2. Pipe and fittings.
3. Valves.
4. Extinguishing-agent containers.
5. Fire-extinguishing clean agent.
6. Discharge nozzles.
7. Manifold and orifice unions.
8. Fire control panels.
9. Detection devices.
10. Manual stations.
11. Switches.
12. Alarm devices.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

- A. EPO: Emergency Power Off.

1.3 ACTION SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: For each type of product indicated.
- B. Shop Drawings: Prepare in accordance with requirements of NFPA 2001, to include, but not be limited to, the following:
1. Include plans, elevations, sections, and attachment details.
 2. Include design calculations.
 3. Include details of equipment assemblies. Indicate dimensions, weights, loads, manufacturer-required clearances, method of field assembly, components, and location and size of each field connection.
 4. Include diagrams for power, signal, and control wiring.
 5. Permit-Approved Documents: Working plans and hydraulic calculations approved by authorities having jurisdiction.
- C. Delegated-Design Submittal: For clean-agent fire-extinguishing systems indicated to comply with performance and design criteria, including analysis data signed and sealed by the qualified professional engineer responsible for their preparation.

1.4 INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS

- A. Coordination Drawings: Plans, or BIM model, drawn to scale and coordinated with all building trades. Coordinate for enclosure integrity in accordance with NFPA 2001 requirements.
- B. Seismic Qualification Data: Certificates for extinguishing-agent containers and control panels, from manufacturer.
- C. Welding certificates.
- D. Field quality-control reports.

1.5 CLOSEOUT SUBMITTALS

- A. Operation and maintenance data.

1.6 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Pipe and Pressure-Vessel Welding Qualifications: Qualify procedures and operators in accordance with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. Electrical Components, Devices, and Accessories: Listed and labeled as defined in NFPA 70, by an NRTL, and marked for intended location and application.
- B. FM Global Compliance: Provide components that are FM Approved and that are listed in FM Approvals' "Approval Guide."
- C. UL Compliance: Provide equipment listed in UL's "Fire Protection Equipment Directory."

2.2 CLEAN-AGENT SYSTEMS

- A. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, provide products by one of the following:
 - 1. Ansul by Johnson Controls Company.
 - 2. Fike Corporation.
 - 3. Siemens Industry, Inc., Building Technologies Division.
 - 4. United Technologies Corporation (UTC Climate, Controls & Security - Kidde).
 - 5. Or approved equal
- B. Description: Clean-agent fire-extinguishing system shall be an engineered system for total flooding of the hazard area including the room cavity above the ceiling, below the ceiling, and below the raised floor. System includes separate zones above and below the ceiling and beneath

the raised floor. If smoke is detected below the raised floor, extinguishing agent shall be discharged in the underfloor zone only. If smoke is detected below the ceiling, extinguishing agent shall be discharged in zones above and below the ceiling and below the floor. If smoke is detected above the ceiling, extinguishing agent shall be discharged in the zone above the ceiling only.

- C. Delegated Design: Design clean-agent fire-extinguishing system and obtain approval from authorities having jurisdiction. Design system for Class A Class B Class C fires as appropriate for areas being protected and include safety factor. Use clean agent indicated and in concentration suitable for normally occupied areas.
- D. Performance Requirements: Discharge HFC 227ea within 10 seconds and maintain 7.1 percent concentration by volume at 70 deg F for 10-minute holding time in hazard areas.
 - 1. HFC 227ea concentration in hazard areas greater than 9.0 percent immediately after discharge or less than 5.8 percent throughout holding time will not be accepted without written authorization from Owner and authorities having jurisdiction.
 - 2. System Capabilities: Minimum 620-psig calculated working pressure and 360-psig initial charging pressure.
- E. Cross-Zoned Detection: Devices located in two separate zones. Sound alarm on activating single-detection device, and discharge extinguishing agent on actuating single-detection device in another zone.
- F. Verified Detection: Devices located in single zone. Sound alarm on activating single-detection device, and discharge extinguishing agent on actuating second-detection device.
- G. System Operating Sequence:
 - 1. Actuating First Detector: Visual indication on annunciator panel. Energize audible and visual alarms (slow pulse), shut down air-conditioning and ventilating systems serving protected area, close doors in protected area, and send signal to fire-alarm system.
 - 2. Actuating Second Detector: Visual indication on annunciator panel. Energize audible and visual alarms (fast pulse), shut down power to protected equipment, start time delay for extinguishing-agent discharge for 30 seconds, and discharge extinguishing agent.
 - 3. Extinguishing-agent discharge will operate audible alarms and strobe lights inside and outside the protected area.
- H. System Operating Sequence: System shall be cross-zoned, air-sampling detectors and photoelectric detectors reporting to a fully programmable microprocessor-based control panel programmed to operate as follows:
 - 1. If one photoelectric detector and air-sampling detector reaches the third detection level (Fire 1), agent discharge will be initiated as described for the third detection level (Fire 1) below.
 - 2. Air-Sampling System:
 - a. First Detection Level (Alert): Mild audible and visual indication on annunciator panel. Strobe lights flash slowly in the protected area.

- b. Second Detection Level (Action): Strong audible and visual indication on annunciator panel. Strobe lights flash rapidly in the protected area.
 - c. Third Detection Level (Fire 1): Strong audible and visual indication on annunciator panel. Energize horn(s), bell(s), and strobe light(s) in the protected area and outside entry doors. Shut down air-conditioning and ventilating systems serving the protected area, and close doors in the protected area. Send signal to fire-alarm system, initiate 30-second time delay for extinguishing-agent discharge, and discharge extinguishing agent. At agent discharge, terminate power to equipment in the protected area.
 - d. Fourth Detection Level (Fire 2): Same as Fire 1.
- I. Manual stations shall immediately discharge extinguishing agent when activated.
- J. Operating abort switches will delay extinguishing-agent discharge while being activated, and switches must be reset to prevent agent discharge. Release hand pressure on the switch to cause agent discharge after the time delay has expired.
- K. EPO: Will terminate power to protected equipment immediately on actuation.
- L. Low-Agent Pressure Switch: Initiate trouble alarm if sensing less than set pressure.
- M. Power Transfer Switch: Transfer from normal to standby power source.

2.3 PIPE AND FITTINGS

- A. See "HFC 227ea Agent Piping Applications" Article for applications of pipe, tube, fitting, and joining materials.
- B. Piping, Valves, and Discharge Nozzles: Comply with types and standards listed in NFPA 2001, Section "Distribution," for charging pressure of system.
- C. Steel Pipe: ASTM A53/A53M, Type S, Grade B or ASTM A106/A106M, Grade A and Grade B; Schedule 40, Schedule 80, and Schedule 160, seamless steel pipe.
 - 1. Threaded Fittings:
 - a. Malleable-Iron Fittings: ASME B16.3, Class 300.
 - b. Flanges and Flanged Fittings: ASME B16.5, Class 300 unless Class 600 is indicated.
 - c. Fittings Working Pressure: 620 psig minimum.
 - d. Flanged Joints: Class 300 minimum.
 - 2. Forged-Steel Welding Fittings: ASME B16.11, Class 3000, socket pattern.
 - 3. Steel, Grooved-End Fittings: FM Approved and NRTL listed, ASTM A47/A47M malleable iron or ASTM A536 ductile iron, with dimensions matching steel pipe and ends factory grooved in accordance with AWWA C606.

- D. Pipe-Flange Gasket Materials: Suitable for chemical and thermal conditions of piping system contents.
 - 1. ASME B16.21, nonmetallic, flat, asbestos-free, 1/8-inch-maximum thickness unless thickness or specific material is indicated.
- E. Flange Bolts and Nuts: ASME B18.2.1, carbon steel.
- F. Welding Filler Metals: Comply with AWS D10.12M/D10.12 for welding materials appropriate for wall thickness and chemical analysis of steel pipe being welded.
- G. Steel, Keyed Couplings: UL 213, AWWA C606, approved or listed for clean-agent service, and matching steel-pipe dimensions. Include ASTM A536, ductile-iron housing, rubber gasket, and steel bolts and nuts.

2.4 VALVES

- A. General Valve Requirements:
 - 1. UL listed or FM Approved for use in fire-protection systems.
 - 2. Compatible with type of clean agent used.
- B. Container Valves: With rupture disc or solenoid and manual-release lever, capable of immediate and total agent discharge and suitable for intended flow capacity.
- C. Valves in Sections of Closed Piping and Manifolds: Fabricate to prevent entrapment of liquid, or install valve and separate pressure relief device.
- D. Valves in Manifolds: Check valve; installed to prevent loss of extinguishing agent when container is removed from manifold.

2.5 EXTINGUISHING-AGENT CONTAINERS

- A. Description: Steel tanks complying with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code: Section VIII, for unfired pressure vessels. Include minimum working-pressure rating that matches system charging pressure, valve, pressure switch, and pressure gage.
 - 1. Finish: Red, enamel or epoxy paint.
 - 2. Manifold: Fabricate with valves, pressure switches, and connections for multiple storage containers, as indicated.
 - 3. Manifold: Fabricate with valves, pressure switches, selector switch, and connections for main- and reserve-supply banks of multiple storage containers.
 - 4. Storage-Tank Brackets: Factory- or field-fabricated retaining brackets consisting of steel straps and channels; suitable for container support, maintenance, and tank refilling or replacement.

2.6 FIRE-EXTINGUISHING CLEAN AGENT

- A. HFC 227ea Clean Agent: Heptafluoropropane.

1. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, provide products by the following:

- a. DuPont.
- b. Or approved equal

2.7 DISCHARGE NOZZLES

- A. Description: Equipment manufacturer's standard one-piece brass or aluminum alloy of type, size, discharge pattern, and capacity required for application.
- B. Material: Corrosion-resistant metal.
- C. Stamped with orifice size and type.

2.8 FIRE CONTROL PANELS

- A. Description: FM Approved or NRTL listed, including equipment and features required for testing, supervising, and operating fire-extinguishing system.
- B. Power Requirements: 120/240 V ac; with electrical contacts for connection to system components and fire-alarm system, and transformer or rectifier as needed to produce power at voltage required for accessories and alarm devices.
- C. Enclosure: NEMA ICS 6, Type 1, enameled-steel cabinet.
 1. Mounting: Recessed flush with surface.
- D. Supervised Circuits: Separate circuits for each independent hazard area.
 1. Detection circuits equal to required number of zones, or addressable devices assigned to required number of zones.
 2. Manual pull-station circuit.
 3. Alarm circuit.
 4. Release circuit.
 5. Abort circuit.
 6. EPO circuit.
- E. Control-Panel Features:
 1. Electrical contacts for shutting down fans, activating dampers, and operating system electrical devices.
 2. Automatic switchover to standby power at loss of primary power.
 3. Storage container, low-pressure indicator.
 4. Service disconnect to interrupt system operation for maintenance with visual status indication on the annunciator panel.
- F. Annunciator Panel: Graphic type showing protected, hazard-area plans, as well as locations of detectors and abort, EPO, and manual stations. Include lamps to indicate device-initiating alarm, electrical contacts for connection to control panel, and stainless steel or aluminum enclosure.

- G. Standby Power: Sealed lead calcium batteries with capacity to operate system for 24 hours and alarm for minimum of 15 minutes. Include automatic battery charger that has a varying charging rate between trickle and high depending on battery voltage, and that is capable of maintaining batteries fully charged. Include manual voltage control, dc voltmeter, dc ammeter, electrical contacts for connection to control panel, automatic transfer switch, and suitable enclosure.

2.9 DETECTION DEVICES

- A. Description: Comply with NFPA 2001, NFPA 72, and UL 268; 24 V dc, nominal.
- B. Ionization Detectors: Dual-chamber type, having sampling and referencing chambers, with smoke-sensing element.
- C. Photoelectric Detectors: LED light source and silicon photodiode receiving element.
- D. Signals to the Central Fire-Alarm Control Panel: Any type of local system trouble is reported to central fire-alarm control panel as a composite "trouble" signal. Alarms on each system zone are individually reported to central fire-alarm control panel as separately identified zones.

2.10 MANUAL STATIONS

- A. Description: Surface FM Approved or NRTL listed, with clear plastic hinged cover, 120-V ac or low-voltage compatible with controls. Include contacts for connection to control panel.
- B. Manual Release: "MANUAL RELEASE" caption, and red finish. Unit can manually discharge extinguishing agent with operating device that remains engaged until unlocked.
- C. Abort Switch: "ABORT" caption, momentary contact, with green finish.
- D. EPO Switch: "EPO" caption, with yellow finish.

2.11 SWITCHES

- A. Description: FM Approved or NRTL listed, where available, 120-V ac or low-voltage compatible with controls. Include contacts for connection to control panel.
 - 1. Low-Agent Pressure Switches: Pneumatic operation.
 - 2. Power Transfer Switches: Key-operation selector, for transfer of release circuit signal from main supply to reserve supply.
 - 3. Door Closers: Magnetic retaining and release device or electrical interlock to cause door operator to drive the door closed.

2.12 ALARM DEVICES

- A. Description: FM Approved or NRTL listed, low voltage, and surface mounting. Comply with requirements in Section 284621.11 "Addressable Fire-Alarm Systems" or Section 284621.13 "Conventional Fire-Alarm Systems" for alarm and monitoring devices.

- B. Bells: Minimum 6-inch diameter.
- C. Horns: 90 to 94 dBA.
- D. Strobe Lights: Translucent lens, with "FIRE" or similar caption.
- E. Oxygen Deficiency Monitor.
 - 1. Sampling Method and Range: Diffusion, zero to 25 percent O₂.
 - 2. 24 V dc.
 - 3. Wall mounted with bracket.
 - 4. Built-in audible alarm 90 dBA.
 - 5. Backlit LCD.
 - 6. 10-year no-calibration sensor.
 - 7. No maintenance required.
 - 8. Signal Outputs: Standard 4- to 20-mA analog.
 - 9. Connections for system control data acquisition system and/or programmable logic controller.
 - 10. Plus or minus 1 percent accuracy of full scale.
 - 11. Operating temperature of minus 40 to plus 122 deg F.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 HFC 227ea AGENT PIPING APPLICATIONS

- A. Flanged pipe and fittings and flanged joints may be used to connect to specialties and accessories and where required for maintenance.
- B. NPS 2 and Smaller: Schedule 40, steel pipe; malleable-iron threaded fittings; and threaded joints.
- C. NPS 2-1/2 and Larger: Schedule 40, steel pipe; forged-steel welding fittings; and welded joints.

3.2 CLEAN-AGENT SYSTEM INSTALLATION

- A. Install clean-agent containers, piping, and other components level and plumb, in accordance with manufacturers' written instructions.
- B. Clean-Agent Container Mounting:
 - 1. Install clean-agent containers on cast-in-place concrete equipment bases. Comply with requirements for equipment bases and foundations specified in Section 033000 "Cast-in-Place Concrete."
 - 2. Comply with requirements for vibration isolation and seismic-control devices specified in Section 210548 "Vibration and Seismic Controls for Fire-Suppression Piping and Equipment."
 - 3. Comply with requirements for vibration isolation devices specified in Section 210548.13 "Vibration Controls for Fire-Suppression Piping and Equipment."

- C. Grooved Piping Joints: Groove pipe ends in accordance with AWWA C606 dimensions. Assemble grooved-end steel pipe and steel, grooved-end fittings with steel, keyed couplings and lubricant in accordance with manufacturer's written instructions.
- D. Install pipe and fittings, valves, and discharge nozzles in accordance with requirements listed in NFPA 2001, Section "Distribution."
 - 1. Install valves designed to prevent entrapment of liquid or install pressure relief devices in valved sections of piping systems.
 - 2. Support piping using supports and methods in accordance with NFPA 13.
 - 3. Install seismic restraints for extinguishing-agent piping systems.
 - 4. Install control panels, detection system components, alarms, and accessories, in accordance with requirements listed in NFPA 2001, Section "Detection, Actuation, and Control Systems," as required for supervised system application.

3.3 PIPING CONNECTIONS

- A. Drawings indicate general arrangement of piping, fittings, and specialties.
- B. Where installing piping adjacent to equipment, allow space for service and maintenance.

3.4 ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS

- A. Connect wiring in accordance with Section 260519 "Low-Voltage Electrical Power Conductors and Cables."
- B. Ground equipment in accordance with Section 260526 "Grounding and Bonding for Electrical Systems."
- C. Install electrical devices furnished by manufacturer, but not factory mounted, in accordance with NFPA 70 and NECA 1.
- D. Install nameplate for each electrical connection, indicating electrical equipment designation and circuit number feeding connection.
- E. Connect electrical devices to control panel and to building's fire-alarm system. Electrical power, wiring, and devices are specified in Section 284621.11 "Addressable Fire-Alarm Systems" or Section 284621.13 "Conventional Fire-Alarm Systems."

3.5 CONTROL CONNECTIONS

- A. Install control and electrical power wiring to field-mounted control devices.
- B. Connect control wiring in accordance with Section 260523 "Control-Voltage Electrical Power Cables."

3.6 IDENTIFICATION

- A. Identify system components and equipment. Comply with requirements for identification specified in Section 210553 "Identification for Fire-Suppression Piping and Equipment."
- B. Identify piping, extinguishing-agent containers, other equipment, and panels in accordance with NFPA 2001.
- C. Install signs at entry doors for protected areas to warn occupants that they are entering a room protected with a clean-agent fire-extinguishing system.
- D. Install signs at entry doors to advise persons outside the room the meaning of horn(s), bell(s), and strobe light(s) outside the protected space.

3.7 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

- A. Testing Agency: Engage a qualified testing agency to perform tests and inspections.
- B. Perform tests and inspections with the assistance of a factory-authorized service representative.
- C. Tests and Inspections:
 - 1. After installing clean-agent fire-extinguishing system and after electrical circuitry has been energized, test for compliance in accordance with requirements listed in NFPA 2001, Section "Approval of Installation."
 - 2. Clean-agent fire-extinguishing system and associated protected enclosure will be considered defective if either does not pass required tests and inspections.
 - 3. Prepare test and inspection reports in accordance with requirements listed in NFPA 2001, Section "Installation Acceptance."

3.8 CLEANING

- A. Each pipe section shall be cleaned internally after preparation and before assembly by means of swabbing, using a suitable nonflammable cleaner. Pipe network shall be free of particulate matter and oil residue before installing nozzles or discharge devices.

3.9 OPERATIONAL CONDITION SYSTEM FILLING

- A. Preparation:
 - 1. Verify that clean-agent fire-extinguishing system and protected enclosure have passed all required tests and inspections in accordance with NFPA 2001.
 - 2. Verify that clean-agent fire-extinguishing piping system installation is completed and cleaned.
 - 3. Verify complete enclosure integrity.
 - 4. Verify operation of ventilation and exhaust systems.
- B. Filling Procedures:

1. Fill clean-agent fire-extinguishing containers with extinguishing agent, and pressurize to indicated charging pressure.
2. Install filled containers.
3. Energize circuits.
4. Adjust operating controls.

3.10 DEMONSTRATION

- A. Engage a factory-authorized service representative to train Owner's maintenance personnel to adjust, operate, and maintain clean-agent fire-extinguishing systems.

END OF SECTION 212200