



INDIANAPOLIS FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Fire Watch Order

Date of Order: Click or tap here to enter text.

Business Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Address: Click or tap here to enter text.

Purpose for Fire watch: Click or tap here to enter text.

Indiana Fire Code 2014, Section 901.7 - System out of Service

Where a required fire protection system is out of service, the fire department and the code official shall be notified immediately and the building shall either be evacuated or an approved fire watch shall be provided for all occupants left unprotected by the shut down until the fire protection system has been returned to service. Where utilized, fire watches shall be provided with at least one approved means for notification of the fire department and their only duty shall be to perform constant patrols of the protected premises and keep watch for fires. 675 IAC 22-2.5

Indiana Fire Code 2014, Section 403.1 - Fire Watch Personnel

Whenever, it is essential for the public safety in any Class 1 structure or any other place where people congregate, due to the number of persons, or the nature of the activity being conducted, the fire chief may require the owner, agent or lessee to employ one (1) or more qualified persons, to be approved by the fire chief, to be on duty in such Class 1 structure to serve as a fire watch. Such persons shall:

1. Be subject to the fire Chief's orders at all times;
2. Be in uniform; and
3. Remain on duty at all times that such Class 1 structure is open to the public.

Such persons shall not be required or permitted, while on duty, to perform any duties other than the fire watch. 675 IAC 22-2.5

(Fire watch pay rate shall be \$40.00 an hour)

Indiana Fire Code 2014, Section 403.1.1 - Duties

Fire watch personnel shall keep diligent watch for fires, obstructions to means of egress and other hazards during the time such place is open to the public or such activity is being conducted and take prompt measures for remediation of hazards, extinguishment of fires that occur and assist in the evacuation of the public from the structures.

Indiana Fire Code 2014, Section 403.1.2 - Qualified Person

For the purposes of Section 403, qualified person means a person who has been trained to meet, and is capable of carrying out the duties and requirements listed in Section 403.1.1 and is acceptable to the fire chief over the jurisdiction wherein the fire watch is taking place. 675 IAC 22-2.5