

SPRINKLER SYSTEM SMARTS

Fire safety in the workplace involves all staff members. Here are facts and tips to help you work smart around your fire sprinkler system.



HOW FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK

(true or false)

If one head goes off, all of the heads will go off.

true | **false**

Each sprinkler head is individually activated. Those movie scenes showing entire office buildings being drenched are pure fiction.

Excessive smoke from incense, candles or cigarettes will cause a sprinkler system to activate.

true | **false**

We wouldn't condone burning materials in your workplace, but smoke will not activate your fire sprinkler system. Excessive heat is what makes a sprinkler head release a spray of water.

6 DO'S AND DON'TS



Do Make Sure You Can See Your Sprinkler Heads

If you move something around your workplace, be sure sprinkler heads are still visible and accessible.



Do Report Repair Issues

If you see signs of rust or a leaking pipe, report the problem so it can be fixed.



Don't Treat Your Sprinkler System Like Hooks and Rods

Resist the urge to hang anything on a sprinkler head or sprinkler system piping unless you want to put a real damper on your workplace.



Do Be Aware

Know where sprinkler heads are so you don't interfere with them.



Don't Put Heat Sources Near Heads

High temperatures activate sprinkler heads, so be careful where you put heat-producing equipment.



Don't Be Helpless

If your system accidentally discharges, know where and how to shut off the system.