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NFPA 770 Hybrid Fire Extinguishing Water And Inert Gas Fire Extinguishing Systems

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Agenda

- NFPA 770 Standard
- Listings, Approvals, Codes, And Standards
- Applications
- Testing
- Chapters
- Performance Based Testing





NFPA 770 Representation



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NFPA 770 Timeline





Meeting Update

Public Input Stage (First Draft)

- Public Input Closing Date
- Post First Draft Report For Public Comment
- Comment Stage (Second Draft)
 - Public Comment Closing Date
 - Second Draft Report Posting
- **Motions Committee Report**
 - NITMAM Closing Date
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Standard on Hybrid (Water and Inert Gas) Fire Extinguishing Systems

2021

Scope

- Design
- Installation
- Acceptance
- Inspection
- Testing
- Maintenance





Listings, Approvals, Codes, And Standards



Listings Vs. Approvals

Listing

- Granted By An Agency Based On Established Product Standards
 - FM5580 Standard For Hybrid (Water And Inert Gas) Fire Extinguishing Systems
 - FM5560 Standard For Water Mist Systems
 - UL2127 Standard For Inert Gas Clean Agent Extinguishing Systems
 - UL1626 Standard For Residential Sprinklers For Fire-Protection Service
- Fire Test Protocols
- Mechanical Testing



Listings Vs. Approvals

Approval

- Granted By An AHJ Based On The Provided Information
 - Examples
 - Performance Based Testing
 - Fire Test Protocols
 - Agency Testing



Listings, Approvals, Codes, And Standards





Listings, Approvals, Codes, And Standards

- NFPA 850 Fire Protection For Electric Generating Plants
 - What To Protect In Plant
- NFPA 770 Standard On Hybrid (Water And Inert Gas) Fire Extinguishing Systems
 - How To Design, Install, And Maintain A Listed Or Approved Hybrid System
- FM 5580 Standard On Hybrid (Water And Inert Gas) Fire Extinguishing Systems
 - How To Obtain A Listing For A Hybrid System



Applications



Approvals And Applications

- FM Global Property Loss Prevention Data Sheets
 - 4-0 Special Protection Systems
 - 5-3 / 13-2 Hydroelectric Power
 - 5-23 Emergency And Standby Power Systems
 - 7-3 Flight Simulator Systems
 - 7-7/17-12 Semiconductor Fabrication Facilities
 - 7-32 Ignitable Liquid Operations





Approvals And Applications

- FM Global Property Loss Prevention Data Sheets
 - 7-37 Cutting Fluids
 - 7-79 Fire Protection for Gas Turbines And Electric Generators
 - 7-88 Ignitable Liquid Storage Tanks
 - 7-101Fire Protection For Steam Turbines and Electric Generators





Applications

Information Technology Equipment Areas	Clean Rooms	Waste Disposal Equip
Server / Computer Rooms	Engine Test Cells	Ducts and Hoods
Data Storage Facilities	Paint Booths/ Lines	Cable Spread
Cable Trays	Textile	Enclosed Transformers
UPS	Mining	Chemical Storage
Telecommunications	Dip Tanks	Store Room
Motor Control Centers (MCC)	Dust Collectors	Hospitals
Switch Gear	Open Pits	Flammable Liquid Storage - non palletized
Control Rooms	Ovens	Archives
Internal combustion engines	Printing Presses	Libraries
Oil pumps	Process Equipment	Museums
Oil tanks	Quench Tanks	Vaults
Fuel filters	Drive shafts	Rolling Mills
Generators	Lubrication skids	Wet Benches
Transformers	Gear boxes	
Diesel engine driven generators and other	Enclosures with incidental use of	
similar equipment using liquid hydrocarbon	hydrocarbon flammable liquids of not more	
fuel and/or hydraulic, heat transfer, and	than two 55 gal (208 L) drums arranged for	
lubrication fluids	dispensing with safety bungs.	



Testing



Listing Tests

- Machine Space, Flammable, And Combustible Fluids
 - 580 m³ Space Testing



FM Approvals Class 5560	Test Description	IMO MSC/Circ.1165	Test Number
1	Low Pressure, Exposed, Diesel Spray	1	001
2	Low Pressure, Angled, Diesel Spray	2	002
3	Low Pressure, Concealed, Diesel Spray		003
4	High Pressure Diesel Spray	3	015
5	Low Pressure, Concealed, Diesel Spray and Pool Fires		004
6	Concealed, Heptane Pool Fire		800
7	Flowing Fire	6	010
8	Wood Crib and Heptane Pool Fire	7	012
9	Saturated Insulation Mat and Spray Fire		005
10	Saturated Insulation Mat		007
	Low Pressure concealed spray with tray (Diesel)	4	006
	Concealed fire tray on bilge plate (Diesel)	5	009
	Low Pressure Spray on Steel Plate (Heptane)	8	011
		Thermal Management Test	013
		Thermal Management Test	014



- Steel Mill Pickling Lines
 - Remove Impurities, Contaminants, Stains, Rust, And Scale
 - Acids
 - Hydrochloric
 - Sulfuric
 - Nitric
 - Hydrofluoric













• Pickling Line





Hybrid Testing At High Elevation







Testing At High Elevation



- Over 150 Tests
 - Elevation
 - Ventilation
 - Fire
 - Size





Chapters



NFPA 7770 Standard on Hybrid

(Water and Inert Gas) Fire Extinguishing Systems

2021



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Chapter 3 Definitions

- Hybrid Fire Extinguishing System
 - Extinguishing System Delivering Hybrid Media
- Hybrid Media
 - Extinguishing Media Resulting In An Atmosphere Less Than 16% Oxygen
- Hybrid Nozzle
 - A Device Designed To Deliver Hybrid Media



Chapter 4 General Information

- Permitted For Use For Class ABC Fires
 - In Accordance To Product Listings Or Approvals
- Normally Occupied Area
 - Above 12 % O₂ Limit To 5 Mins
 - $O_2 > 12\%$ Egress time no greater than 5 minutes
 - Above 10 % O_2 Limit To 3 Mins
 - 10% < O₂ <= 12% Egress time no greater than 3 minutes



Chapter 5 Components

- Hybrid Nozzles
 - D_{v99} of 200µm
- Pre-Discharge Alarms
 - Required Unless Fire Growth or the Delay Threatens Life Safety or Property Damage



- Listing Or Approvals
 - Protection Objectives In Accordance With Listings Or Approved By The AHJ
- Fire Test Protocols
 - Protocols Shall Be Designed To Address The Performance Objectives
- Flooding Factor



• Fire Test Protocols

- Class B Fire Tests
 - 6", 10", 14" Round Pan
 - 30 Second Pre-Burn

























$$Q_{min} = F_{S,IG} * V_{enc} * \frac{294.4}{273 + T_{min}} * X * F_{atm}$$

- Q_{min} = minimum volume of inert gas agent to be added [m³]
- F_{S,IG} = inert gas agent safety factor
- V_{enc} = volume of the enclosure [m³]
- T_{min} = minimum expected ambient enclosure temperature (° K)
- X = flooding factor at 21°C ambient temperature $[m^3/m^3]$
- F_{atm} = atmospheric correction factor



$W = F_{S,H20} * (V_{pipe} + N * R_{D,H20} * t)$

- W = quantity of water [L]
- F_{S,H20} = water safety factor
- V_{pipe} = internal volume of water-filled pipe [L]
- N = minimum number of hybrid nozzles [nozzles]
- R_{D,H20} = water discharge rate of the hybrid nozzle [L/min/nozzle]
- t = design discharge duration [min]



- Uses
 - Permanent Enclosure
 - Enclosure Requirements
 - Refer To Listings
 - Manufacturer's Design Installation Operation and Maintenance Manual (DIOM)
- Forced Ventilation
 - Affects Performance Or Propagates Fire
 - Shutdown Or Dampened





- Safety Factor
 - Class A, B, C
 - 20%
- Discharge Time
- Maximum "Discharge Time" Permitted to Discharge the Design Quantity of Hybrid Media
 - Three (3) Minutes
 - Unless The Hazard Requires A Longer Discharge



Chapter 9 Design Requirements For Local Application

- Uses
 - Protects An Object Or Hazard
 - Unenclosed Or Partially Enclosed
- Location Of Hazard
 - Indoors







Chapter 9 Design Requirements For Local Application

- Discharge Rate
 - Dependent On Listings Or Approvals
- Discharge Time
 - Determined by Test
 - 2X The Extinguishment Time
 - Not Less Than 120 Seconds





Chapter 11 System Documentation

- Summary Sheets
- Detailed Work Sheets
- Owners Documentation



Chapter 11 System Documentation

Summary Sheets

- Name And Address Of Plans Preparer And Installing Contractor
- Hybrid Extinguishing System Manufacturer And System Designation
- Date Of Preparation
- Name Of Owner And Occupant
- Property Location, Including Street Address And Site Elevation Relative To Sea Level
- Description Of Occupancies And Hazards (Fuels) Being Protected
- Type Of Application: Total Flooding Or Local Application
- Total Flooding, Design Volume Of Space Protected
- Local Application Area Of Water Application
- Total Gas Requirement
- Total Water Requirement



Chapter 11 System Documentation

Detailed Work Sheets

- Nozzle Description
- Pipe Size
- Pipe Lengths, Center To Center Of Fittings
- Equivalent Pipe Lengths For Fittings And Devices
- Calculated Nozzle Pressure
- Maximum Calculated Pressure In The Pipe Network
- Calculated Flow Rates:
 - Inert Gas Flow: slpm (scfm)
 - Water Flow: Ipm (gpm)
- Calculated Discharge Time
- Owners Documentation Copy of DIOM



Chapter 12 Installation Requirements

- Qualifications
 - Systems Installed According To Manufacturers DIOM
- Qualified Personnel
 - Certified And Trained By The Manufacturer
 - Organization Accepted By The AHJ



Chapter 12 Installation Requirements

- System Review
 - Operating Devices
 - Auxiliary Devices
 - Operation Of Alarms
 - FACP And Connected Devices
 - Sensors
 - Piping Pressure Test
 - Pressure Test The Piping
 - 90% Of The Test Pressure After 10 Mins



Chapter 13 Acceptance Testing

- Approval Of Installations
 - Prior To Testing
 - Step-By-Step Procedure
 - Identifies All:
 - Devices
 - Controls
 - Functions





Chapter 14 Inspection, Testing, And Maintenance

- Weekly Inspection
 - Inert Gas And Water Supply Lines Are Intact
 - Nozzles Are Not Obstructed
 - Protective Caps If Supplied Are In Place On Every Nozzle
 - Fire Alarm Control Panel Is In "Normal" Ready Condition
 - System Isolation Valves Are Locked In Full Open Position
 - Tamper Seals Are In Place



Chapter 14 Inspection, Testing, And Maintenance

- Semi-Annual
 - Check Inert Gas Supply Pressure
 - Correct For Ambient Temperature
 - Loss Greater Than 10%
 - Check The Water Level In The Storage Tank
 - Manufacturer's DIOM



Chapter 14 Inspection, Testing, And Maintenance

- Annual
 - Check And Test All Time Delays For Operation
 - Check And Test All Audible Notification Appliances For Operation
 - Check And Test All Visual Notification Appliances For Operation
 - Check That All Warning Signs Are Installed And Visible
 - Check Operation Of All Manual Release Devices
 - Check And Test Each Automatic Detector Using Methods Specified In NFPA 72
 - Check And Verify Functional Operation Of System Interlocks



Examples Of Hybrid Systems









Examples Of Hybrid Systems







Examples Of Hybrid Systems











- NIOSH Test Facility In Morgantown WV
- Conveyor Belt /
 Drum Fire
- Maximum Wind Velocity, Local Application









- Process Ovens, 500F
- Preliminary Testing Conducted At The Edison Facility Using 1/8" Emitters In A Local Application
- Final Testing Conducted At Manufacturing Facility









- Acceptance Testing Conducted In A Cold Room Operating At 39F
- The Refrigeration Units Remained In Operation Throughout The Discharge





Nitrogen Gas Discharged: 1700 Cubic Feet Water Discharged: 1.25 Gallons

• Data Processing/Computer Equipment Operating While Exposed To A Hybrid Media Discharge







- Local Application Testing Conducted At Factory Mutual (FM) Research Laboratory
- In The Video The First Test Is Conducted With A 1m Square Pan Of Heptane
- The Second Fire Test Is Conducted With A 2m Square Pan Of Heptane
- In Each Case, The Application Was Conducted Where Each Emitter Covers One Square Meter







- Local Application Testing Conducted With A Factory Mutual
- The Video Is Of A 3 Meter Square Pan Of Diesel Along With A Diesel Spray Fire
- The Application Was Conducted Where Emitter Covers One Square Meter



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