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Overview

What are the installation requirements for a two-way emergency communications system?

Installation requirements for Class N and Class X, where used, are also spelled out. 24.3.14.11: Elevator landing two-way emergency communications systems circuits intended to transmit off-premises shall have a pathway survivability of Level 0, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, or Level 4.

What is a required emergency communications system?

24.3.3* Required Emergency Communications Systems. An emergency communications system shall be installed in occupancies where required by the authority having jurisdiction or by other applicable governing laws, codes, or standards. 24.3.4*.

What are the requirements for a two-way communication system?

The master station shall dial out to a monitoring location or 9-1-1, Also note the two-way communication system shall have BOTH audible and visual signals. It is a requirement to provide directions on how to operate the two-way communication system.

When is an in-building emergency responder communication enhancement system required?

Quick answer: An in-building emergency responder communication enhancement system is required by the 2024 edition of NFPA 1, Fire Code, when the radio signal strength within 95 percent of the general floor area and 99 percent of critical floor area is not sufficient to provide a delivered audio quality of 3.0 or above. Want more detail?

What are in-building emergency responder Communications Enhancement Systems (Erces)?

These systems are known as in-building emergency responder communications enhancement systems (ERCES). You may also hear them referred to as bi-directional antenna systems, or BDAs. To learn more about these systems and why they are needed, check out this blog. [What Do the Codes Require?](#)

Section 11.10 of the 2024 edition of NFPA 1 covers ERCES.

What is a two-way emergency communication system?

24.10.8: Two-way emergency communications systems shall have the capability of transmitting a verbal signal to identify the specific building address to off-premises monitoring personnel before operators complete the connection to the remote call station.

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