

WAC 212-80-023 Authority having jurisdiction. (1) **Does a fire protection sprinkler system contractor need to obtain approval from the authority having jurisdiction?** Yes. The fire protection sprinkler systems contractor must obtain approval from the authority having jurisdiction. The authority having jurisdiction must approve plans, specifications, calculations, contractor's materials and test certificates, and final approval. The authority having jurisdiction may conduct an approved flow test of heads as part of the approval for 13D fire protection sprinkler systems.

(2) **Are there circumstances when the authority having jurisdiction is the director?** Yes. In certain types of occupancies the authority having jurisdiction may be the director and the building or fire official of the city or county in which the installation is located. Generally, these dual responsibilities occur in health care facilities, transient accommodations, and day care facilities. In matters concerning compliance with chapters 18.160 and 18.270 RCW, or this chapter, the director will be considered the authority having jurisdiction.

(3) **Who has the responsibility to determine which agency is the authority having jurisdiction?** It is the responsibility of the licensed contractor or certificate holder. If there is a question of which agency is the authority having jurisdiction, the licensed contractor or certificate holder should contact the director.

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