



## TECHNICAL POLICY

### 13 – 01 Locations Requiring Sprinklers

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**1. Sprinklers are not required in the following areas:**

- a. Areas that have been specifically exempted by a written variance
- b. Small shower enclosures intended for use by one person
- c. Areas that are exempt by the Minnesota State Building Code (MSBC) or appropriate NFPA Standards – 13 or 13R

**2. Sprinklers are required in all other areas of the building including the following:**

- a. Walk-in coolers and freezers
- b. Telephone equipment rooms
- c. Concealed spaces of combustible construction or containing combustible materials
- d. Above and below over-head doors when the least dimension of the door exceeds 4 feet horizontally when in the open position
- e. Electrical rooms
- f. HVAC and mechanical equipment closets including those located within dwelling units
- g. Balconies and decks, refer to MFD **Technical Policy 13-18** for details