



# Fire Watch Information

## Nampa Fire Protection District

### What is Fire Watch?

Fire Watch is the assignment of personnel to a building or an area for the purpose of notifying the fire department, the building occupants, or both, of an emergency. The objectives of Fire Watch include preventing a fire from occurring, extinguishing small fires, or protecting the public from fire or life safety dangers.

### When is a Fire Watch necessary?

Where, in the opinion of the fire code official, it is essential for public safety in a place of assembly or any other place where people congregate because of the number of persons, the nature of the performance, exhibition, display, contest or activity, the owner, agent or lessee shall provide one or more fire watch personnel, as required and approved. (2018 IFC 403.12.1). Fire watch personnel shall remain on duty while places requiring a fire watch are open to the public, or when an activity requiring a fire watch is being conducted. (2018 IFC 403.12.1.1).

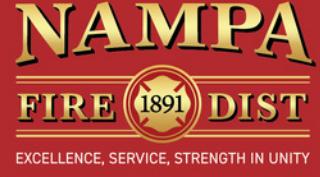
### Fire Watch Personnel Responsibilities

A Fire Watch shall involve special action beyond normal staffing, such as assigning additional security guard(s) to walk the affected areas, where there are potential fire and life safety hazards, that could affect large numbers of assembled people.

#### On-duty fire watch personnel shall have the following responsibilities:

- Keep diligent watch for fires, obstructions to means of egress and other hazards.
- Take prompt measures for remediation of hazards and extinguishment of fires that occur.
- Assist in the prompt evacuation of the public from structures.
- Provide a method of notifying the fire department if a fire should occur.
- Be knowledgeable about the location of fire alarm pull stations (if operable) and fire extinguishers.
- Receive proper training on fire extinguisher use.
- Have access to all areas of the building and be capable of communicating with building occupants.
- Focus solely on fire watch duties and remain awake and alert at all times.
- Maintain a log (attached) to document the Fire Watch. The log should be readily available for inspection by fire personnel.

The Fire Watch shall be in place 24/7 until the hazard is mitigated, the life safety system has been repaired by a licensed contractor and is fully operational, and a Nampa Fire Inspector or the Fire Marshal has permitted to end the watch.



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## Fire Watch Application

### **BUSINESS/FACILITY INFORMATION**

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Owner &/or Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### **REQUIRED INFORMATION**

Activity description stating the nature of scope of work, impairment, and fire watch action plan. Plan to also include: duration of outage, explanation of personnel, personnel contact information and shifts.

Activity Description:

**By signing this application,** I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the attached & foregoing is true, complete, and accurate. **Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS**

Please turn in complete application by email: [prevention@nampafire.org](mailto:prevention@nampafire.org) (Subject: Fire Watch Application) or in person at Nampa Fire Administration Office. Nampa Fire Prevention Bureau will reach out to schedule an on-site inspection.