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New Brunswick Fire Marshal Office – Clarification on Life Safety Systems during State of Emergency

Any life safety servicing company must follow all of the required legislation in place due to the provincial State of Emergency. This service must follow the same requirements as similar services currently being maintained.

We would expect that emergency calls be maintained in order to ensure the proper operation of any life safety system. If providing any emergency service, the precautions outlined in the "Renewed and revised Mandatory Order COVID-19" must be respected.

Careful consideration must be given if performing normal inspection services; managing the risk of your staff and the pubic should be the primary concern; we expect that you would work with your clients in managing this risk. Clients may request that all or portions of your work be postponed due to the type of occupancy within the building and the level of interaction that would be required between your staff and occupants.

In the event there is uncertainty if a regular inspection should proceed you should consult the Fire Prevention Officer responsible for the building. The NB Office of the Fire Marshal will be taking a reasonable approach when considering the need of a regular inspections, common sense must be exercised during this time.

Regards

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If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact the CASA Head Office.

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