



DO NOT tamper, cover, remove or damage Fire Alarm System Detectors or Sprinkler Heads!

In accordance with AK Pamphlet 420-1, the tampering with fire alarm, detection and/or fire suppression systems, or causing a false fire alarm is strictly prohibited.

What does this mean to YOU? It means do not cover up or remove detectors or sprinkler heads. It means if you are bouncing things off the ceiling and you hit a sprinkler head or detector and damage it or worse, set it off; you will be visiting your CSM or Commander!

In the past few months across Korea, we have found fire alarm systems with missing detectors, detectors covered with plastic bags or stuffed with toilet paper. Plus, we have found sprinkler heads and detectors that have been painted over!

What should you do? If you find a detector or sprinkler head that has been damaged or tampered with, call the Fire Department or DPW to get it corrected. Not doing so puts you and your fellow soldiers and family members at risk!

In 75% of all fatality fires across America where there was a sprinkler or detection system installed in the building, the system had been tampered with or damaged. This tampering or damage is a major contributing factor to the deaths.

Be vigilant, report problems right away and follow up! The life you save may be your own.

Make sure you brief your new soldiers and family members. Tampering with Fire Alarm Systems is strictly prohibited!



Painted sprinkler head found in a barracks room. The paint will insulate the head causing it to react up to 2 minutes slower. In less than 2 minutes, a fire can grow from 200 to 1400 degrees!



A disconnected smoke detector or one stuffed with a plastic bag is worthless if there is a fire. These detectors are there to save your life when you least expect it. Removing or tampering with detectors will get you in trouble or worse!

