1. DESCRIPTION

Dry Sprinkler Boot Assembly 19398M/W is used with plain barrel, adjustable standard, and recessed dry sprinklers to help seal the clearance space around the dry sprinkler barrel. When properly installed, this seal decreases the potential for leakage of air through the opening in the ceiling or wall and consequent formation of condensate around the sprinkler connection on the system piping. In freezer installations, condensation can lead to ice build-up, which could inhibit sprinkler operation or cause premature sprinkler operation. The Dry Sprinkler Boot Assembly (optional) is intended to slow the exchange of air between the inside and outside of the freezer (or any dry sprinkler installation) to help prevent humidity and temperature differential in the area around the sprinkler. Insulating boot assemblies (optional) are recommended to be installed on smooth, flat, and clean surfaces.

The rubber seal is designed with a material that will not drip when exposed to open flame. This protects the deflector from acquiring material that would impede its water distribution characteristics.

2. LISTINGS AND APPROVALS

Install in accordance with applicable NFPA standards. Refer to Design Criteria on page 132c for requirements that must be followed.

NOTE: Laboratory approval of dry sprinkler boot assemblies 19398M/W and 19330M/W are not required and use of these assemblies does not alter any of the listings or approvals for Viking dry sprinklers. The ESFR Dry Sprinklers utilize Sprinkler Boot Assembly 19330M/W (2 required). Refer to technical data pages 122j-q and 129a-g.

3. TECHNICAL DATA

Specifications: The boot consists of a rubber foam seal covered with a two-piece ring fastened to the ceiling, deck, or wall, with two screws.

Outside Diameter: 6" (152 mm)
Depth: 1" (25 mm)

Material Standards:

Seal: Neoprene/EPDM/SBR
Over Seal Ring and Under Seal Ring: Cold Rolled Steel
Finish: Clear Chromate over Zinc Plating

#10 Screws: Stainless Steel

Ordering Information: (Also refer to the current Viking price list.)
Dry Sprinkler Insulating Boot Assembly: Part Number 19398M/W. For use with all Viking dry sprinkler models, except dry concealed and the ESFR Dry Sprinkler.

NOTE: Dry Sprinklers and Insulating Boot Assemblies must be ordered separately.

4. INSTALLATION

A. Prepare the sprinkler installation opening as indicated in the installation instructions on page DRY1-3 and the appropriate sprinkler technical data page. Then install the dry sprinkler through the clearance opening.
B. Install the dry sprinkler on the piping per the instructions on page DRY1-3 and the dry sprinkler data page for the sprinkler model being used, taking care not to over-tighten or damage the sprinkler.
C. Clean the contact surfaces of the dry sprinkler seal and the surface of the wall or ceiling.
D. Slide the dry sprinkler boot over the dry sprinkler barrel and to the ceiling, deck, or wall until the seal rests against the surface of the ceiling, deck, or wall.
E. Assemble the ring onto the seal, hold in place, and tighten the four screws through the holes provided in the assembly.

NOTE: A #29 drill is required for a pilot hole in metallic ceilings, decks, or walls.
5. INSPECTIONS, TESTS AND MAINTENANCE
A. When replacing existing sprinklers, the system must be removed from service. Refer to the appropriate system description and/or valve instructions. Prior to removing the system from service, notify all Authorities Having Jurisdiction. Consideration should be given to employment of a fire patrol in the affected area.
1. Remove the system from service, drain all water, and relieve all pressure on the piping.
2. Remove the dry sprinkler boot assembly.
3. Using the special sprinkler wrench, remove the old sprinkler and install the new unit. Care must be taken to ensure that the replacement sprinkler is the proper model and style, with the correct orifice size, temperature rating, and response characteristics. A fully stocked spare sprinkler cabinet should be provided for this purpose.
4. Install a new Dry Sprinkler Boot Assembly Part No. 19398M/W.
5. Place the system back in service and secure all valves. Check the replaced sprinklers and repair all leaks.
B. Sprinkler systems that have been subject to a fire must be returned to service as soon as possible. The entire system must be inspected for damage and repaired or replaced as necessary. Sprinklers that have been exposed to corrosive products of combustion, but have not operated, should be replaced. Refer to the Authorities Having Jurisdiction for minimum replacement requirements.

6. AVAILABILITY
The Viking products are available through a network of domestic and international distributors. See The Viking Corporation web site for the closest distributor or contact The Viking Corporation.

7. GUARANTEE
For details of warranty, refer to Viking’s current list price schedule or contact Viking directly.
### Installation Requirements:

- **Dry Sprinkler Boot Assembly 19398M/W** is designed for use with all Viking dry sprinklers, except dry concealed and ESFR Dry Sprinklers (refer to data page 122a-g). **NOT** for use with Viking dry concealed sprinklers or any non-dry type sprinkler.

- **Minimum Barrel Length**: Refer to Figures 2 and 3 for the required minimum dry sprinkler barrel exposure length between the face of the sprinkler tee to the outside surface of the ceiling or wall.

- **Clearance Opening Diameter**: Refer to Figures 2 and 3. **NOTE**: The dry sprinkler boot must seat and seal against the smooth surface of the wall, ceiling, or deck in order to close the air gap.

- **Sprinkler Fitting**: Install the 1 inch NPT threaded end of the dry sprinkler into the 1 inch NPT outlet of malleable iron tee fittings per ANSI B 16.3 (Class 150) or cast iron threaded tee fittings per ANSI 16.4 (Class 125) only.

  - Install in accordance with applicable NFPA standards.

**IMPORTANT**: Always refer to Bulletin Form No. F_091699 - Care and Handling of Sprinklers. Also refer to page DRY1-3 for general care, installation, and maintenance information. Viking sprinklers are to be installed in accordance with the latest edition of Viking technical data, the appropriate standards of NFPA, FM Global, LPCB, APSAD, VdS or other similar organizations, and also with the provisions of governmental codes, ordinances, and standards, whenever applicable.

### Design Criteria

#### Installation Requirements:

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*The protected area refers to the area below the ceiling (for pendant and HSW sprinklers). The ambient temperature is the temperature at the discharge end of the sprinkler. For protected area temperatures that occur between the values listed, use the next cooler temperature.*

**The minimum required barrel length is **NOT** the same as the "A" or "B" dimension. Refer to the figures in the dry sprinkler data pages for the "A" or "B" dimension.**

**NOTE**: Exposed minimum barrel lengths are inclusive up to 30 mph wind velocities.

**Figure 2**: Dry Sprinkler Insulating Boot Assembly 19398M/W and Required Minimum Barrel Length Based on Ambient Temperature in the Protected Area (Shown with a Dry Pendent Sprinkler)
Figure 3: Dry Sprinkler Insulating Boot Assembly 19398M/W - Installation Sequence (Dry Pendent Sprinkler Shown)

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(Replaced insulating boot 13863 with 19330.)