1. DESCRIPTION

Viking Early Suppression Fast Response (ESFR) Pendent Sprinkler VK510 incorporates the capability to suppress specific high-challenge fires. The addition of a larger K-Factor allows ESFR performance at lower end-head pressures than ESFR K14 sprinklers. K25.2 ESFR sprinklers can:

- Eliminate the use of in-rack sprinklers when protecting high-piled storage of certain specified materials up to specific heights.*
- Reduce or eliminate the need for a system fire pump.
- Provide flexibility when sizing system piping.

Viking VK510 ESFR Pendent Sprinklers are primarily intended to protect the following types of storage, which tend to produce severe-challenge fires: palletized and solid pile storage and single, double, multiple row, and portable open rack storage (no open-top containers or solid shelves).

Viking ESFR Pendent VK510 Sprinklers provide protection of most common storage materials, including:

- Encapsulated or unencapsulated Class I, II, III, and IV commodities*.
- cULus Listed for protection of cartoned unexpanded plastic commodities and FM Approved for protection of cartoned and uncartoned unexpanded plastic commodities*.
- FM Approved for protection of exposed expanded polystyrene and exposed expanded polyurethane commodities*.

In addition, some storage arrangements of rolled paper, flammable liquids, aerosols, and rubber tires may be protected by Viking ESFR Pendent Sprinkler VK510.

2. LISTINGS AND APPROVALS

- cULus Listed: Category VNWH (Listed as a Specific Application ESFR Sprinkler)
- FM Approved: Class 2026
- VdS Approved: Certificate G4040015
- China Approval: Approved according to China GB Standard

The 10280 VK510, ESFR Pendent Sprinkler Assembly conforms to the provision of CUAP11.03/03 standard. CUAP11.03/03 approvals are provided by: FM Approvals Ltd. 1 Windsor Dials Windsor, Berkshire, UK. SL4 1 RS


Note: Other International approval certificates are available upon request.

*Refer the Approval Chart and Commodity Selection and Design Criteria Overview for cULus Listing and FM Approval requirements that must be followed.

3. TECHNICAL DATA

Specifications:
- Minimum Operating Pressure: Refer to NFPA 13 or FM Global Loss Prevention Data Sheets.
- Maximum Working Pressure: 175 psi (12 bar). Factory tested hydrostatically to 500 psi (34.5 bar).
- Thread size: 1” NPT for Sprinkler 12080, 25 mm BSPT for Sprinkler 12200
- Nominal K-factor: 25.2 U.S. (363 metric*)

* Metric K-factor measurement shown is in bar. When pressure is measured in kPa, divide the metric K-factor shown by 10.0.
Overall Length: 3-3/16” (81 mm)  
Deflector Diameter: 1-3/4” (44.5 mm)  
Covered by one or more of the following patents: US5,829,532; US6,059,044; US6,336,509; US6,502,643; US6,868,917; AU722593; GB2336777

Material Standards:  
Frame Casting: Brass UNS-C84400  
Deflector: Phosphor Bronze UNS-C51000  
Seat: Copper UNS-C11000 and Stainless Steel UNS-S30400  
Belleville Spring Sealing Assembly: Nickel Alloy, coated on both sides with PTFE Tape  
Compression Screw: Stainless Steel UNS-S31603  
Trigger and Support: Stainless Steel UNS-S31600  
Fusible Element Assembly: Beryllium Nickel, coated with black acrylic paint.

Ordering Information: (Also refer to the current Viking price list.)  
Order ESFR Pendent Sprinkler VK510 by first adding the appropriate suffix for the sprinkler finish and then the appropriate suffix for the temperature rating to sprinkler base part number.  
Finish Suffix: Brass = A  
Temperature Suffix: 165 °F (74 °C) = C, 205 °F (96 °C) = E  
For example, Sprinkler VK510 with 1” NPT threads, Brass finish, and 165 °F (74 °C) temperature rating = Part No. 12080AC.  
Accessories: (Also refer to the Viking website.)  
Sprinkler Wrenches:  
A. Part No. 13635W/B (double-ended wrench - Use Side B) Available since 2006.  
Sprinkler Cabinet: Six-head capacity: Part No. 01731A (available since 1971)

4. INSTALLATION

**WARNING**

Viking sprinklers are manufactured and tested to meet rigid requirements of the approving agencies. The sprinklers are designed to be installed in accordance with recognized installation standards or FM Global Loss Prevention Data Sheets. System design must be based on ESFR design guidelines described in the latest edition of the applicable FM Global Loss Prevention Data Sheets, the latest NFPA Standards, the latest standards of Verband der Sachversicherer (VdS), the Authorities Having Jurisdiction, and also with the provisions of governmental codes, ordinances, and standards whenever applicable. Deviation from the standards or any alteration to the sprinkler after it leaves the factory including, but not limited to: painting, plating, coating, or modification, may render the sprinkler inoperative and will automatically nullify the approval and any guarantee made by The Viking Corporation.

A. Sprinklers must be handled with care. They must be stored in a cool, dry place in their original shipping container. Never install sprinklers that have been dropped or damaged in any way. Such sprinklers should be destroyed immediately.  
NOTE: Wet pipe systems must be provided with adequate heat.

B. The sprinklers must be installed after the piping is in place to prevent mechanical damage. Before installing, be sure to have the appropriate sprinkler model and style, with the correct orifice size, temperature rating, and response characteristics.

C. With the sprinkler contained in the plastic protective cap, apply a small amount of pipe-joint compound or tape to the male threads only, while taking care not to allow a build-up of compound in the sprinkler orifice.

D. Use ONLY sprinkler wrench 13635W/B (shown in Figure 1) for installing ESFR Sprinkler VK510! With the sprinkler contained in the protective cap, install the sprinkler onto the piping by applying the sprinkler wrench to the sprinkler wrench flats only, while taking care not to damage the sprinkler operating parts.

- DO NOT use any other type of wrench, as this could damage the unit.
- DO NOT use the sprinkler deflector or fusible element to start or thread the sprinkler into a fitting.
- DO NOT exceed 20-30 ft. lbs. of torque (hand tight plus 1 to 1-1/2 turns with the wrench; over-tightening may distort the sprinkler inlet with consequent leakage or impairment of the sprinkler.

E. After installation, the entire sprinkler system must be tested. The test must be conducted to comply with the Installation Standards. Make sure the sprinkler has been properly tightened. If a thread leak occurs, normally the unit must be removed, new pipe-joint compound or tape applied, and then reinstalled. This is due to the fact that when the joint seal is damaged, the sealing compound or tape is washed out of the joint. Immediately replace any damaged units, using the special sprinkler wrench only.
F. After installation and testing and repairing of all leaks, remove the protective caps from the sprinklers. Do NOT use any type of tool to remove the cap. Remove the cap by hand: turn it slightly and pull it off the sprinkler. When removing caps, use care to prevent dislodging or damaging sprinkler fusible element. THE CAPS MUST BE REMOVED FROM SPRINKLERS BEFORE PLACING THE SYSTEM IN SERVICE!

5. OPERATION
During fire conditions, the heat-sensitive fusible element assembly disengages, releasing the seat and belleville spring assembly to open the waterway. Water flowing through the sprinkler orifice strikes the sprinkler deflector, forming a uniform spray pattern to suppress the fire.

6. INSPECTIONS, TESTS AND MAINTENANCE

A. The sprinklers must be inspected on a regular basis for corrosion, mechanical damage, obstructions, paint, etc. The frequency of inspections may vary due to corrosive atmosphere, water supplies, and activity around the device.
B. Sprinklers that have been painted or mechanically damaged must be replaced immediately. Sprinklers showing signs of corrosion shall be tested and/or replaced immediately as required. Installation standards require sprinklers to be tested and, if necessary, replaced after a specified term of service. For Viking ESFR Pendent Sprinklers, refer to the Installation Standards (e.g., NFPA 25) and the Authorities Having Jurisdiction for the specified period of time after which testing and/or replacement is required. Sprinklers that have operated cannot be reassembled or reused, but must be replaced. When replacing sprinklers, use only new sprinklers.
C. The sprinkler discharge pattern is critical for proper fire protection. Therefore, nothing should be hung from, attached to, or otherwise obstruct the discharge pattern. All obstructions must be immediately removed or, if necessary, additional sprinklers installed.
D. 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. 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.
   3. Place the system back in service and secure all valves. Check the replaced sprinklers and repair all leaks.
E. 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.

7. AVAILABILITY
The Viking Model VK510 Sprinkler is available through a network of domestic and international distributors. See The Viking Corporation web site for the closest distributor or contact The Viking Corporation.

8. GUARANTEE
For details of warranty, refer to Viking’s current list price schedule or contact Viking directly.
AVAILABLE SPRINKLER TEMPERATURE RATINGS AND FINISHES

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<th>Sprinkler Temperature Classification</th>
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<th>Maximum Ambient Ceiling Temperature²</th>
<th>Frame Paint Color</th>
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<td>Ordinary</td>
<td>165 °F (74 °C)</td>
<td>100 °F (38 °C)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Intermediate</td>
<td>205 °F (96 °C)</td>
<td>150 °F (65 °C)</td>
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Sprinkler Finish: Brass

Footnotes

¹ The sprinkler temperature rating is stamped on the deflector.
² Based on NFPA-13. Other limits may apply, depending on fire loading, sprinkler location, and other requirements of the Authority Having Jurisdiction. Refer to specific installation standards.
## Approval Chart

**ESFR Pendent Sprinkler VK510**

**Maximum 175 PSI (12 bar) WWP**

<table>
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<th>Base Part Number</th>
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<td>1&quot; NPT</td>
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<td>3-3/16</td>
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### Approved Temperature Ratings

- A - 165 °F (74 °C) and 205 °F (96 °C)
- B - 165 °F (74 °C)

### Approved Finish

- 1 - Brass

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**Footnotes**

1. Base part number shown. For complete part number, refer to the price list.
2. Metric K-Factor measurement shown is when pressure is measured in bar. When pressure is measured in kPa, divide the metric K-Factor shown by 10.0.
3. This chart shows listings and approvals available at the time of printing. Other approvals may be in process.
4. Refer to the latest standards of NFPA 13, FM Global Loss Prevention Data Sheets, and the latest VdS standards.
5. Listed by Underwriters Laboratories Inc. for use in the U.S. and Canada as a Specific Application ESFR Sprinkler (refer to the deflector position requirements on page 7).
7. FM Approved as a quick response pendent Storage sprinkler. Refer to Tables 2 & 3.
8. Approved according to China GB Standard.

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### TABLE 2
COMMODITY SELECTION AND DESIGN CRITERIA OVERVIEW FOR MODEL VK510 ESFR PENDENT SPRINKLERS

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<th>Storage Type</th>
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<td>QR</td>
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<td>System Type</td>
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<td>Open Frame Single, Double, Multiple-Row, or Portable Rack Storage of Class I-IV and Group A or B Plastics</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13.</td>
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<td>Solid Pile or Palletized Storage of Class I-IV and Group A or B Plastics</td>
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<td>Idle Pallet Storage</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13.</td>
<td>Refer to FM 2-0, 8-9, and 8-24.</td>
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<td>Rubber Tire Storage</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13.</td>
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<td>Rolled Paper Storage (Refer to the standard.)</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13.</td>
<td>Refer to FM 8-21.</td>
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<td>Refer to NFPA 30.</td>
<td>Refer to FM 7-29</td>
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<td>Aerosol Storage (Refer to the standard.)</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 30B</td>
<td>Refer to FM 7-31</td>
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<tr>
<td>Automotive Components in Portable Racks (Control mode only, refer to the standard.)</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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## TABLE 3:
**COMMODITY SELECTION AND DESIGN CRITERIA OVERVIEW FOR MODEL VK510 SPECIAL APPLICATION LISTING (UL) AND ESFR, QUICK RESPONSE STORAGE, AND QUICK RESPONSE NON-STORAGE APPROVALS (FM)**

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<td>Response Type</td>
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<td>Sprinkler Position</td>
<td>Pendent, frame arms aligned with pipe, deflectors parallel with ceiling or roof</td>
<td>Pendent, frame arms aligned with pipe, deflectors parallel to floor.</td>
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<td>System Type</td>
<td>Wet Pipe System only</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum Area of Coverage</td>
<td>100 ft² (9.3 m²)</td>
<td>Refer to FM 2-0</td>
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<td>Minimum Area of Coverage</td>
<td>64 ft² (5.9 m²)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum Ceiling Slope</td>
<td>2 in 12</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum Spacing</td>
<td>10 ft. spacing (3.0 m)</td>
<td>Refer to FM 8-9</td>
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<td>Minimum Spacing</td>
<td>8 ft. spacing (2.4 m)</td>
<td>Refer to FM 8-9</td>
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<td>Deflector Distance from Walls</td>
<td>Minimum of 4 in. (102 mm) from walls but no more than 1/2 the allowable distance permitted between sprinklers</td>
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<td>Deflector to Top of Storage</td>
<td>Minimum of 36 in. (914 mm)</td>
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<td>Deflector** to Ceiling Distance</td>
<td>Ceiling/roof heights up to 40 ft. (12.2 m): 6–18 in. (152–457 mm) Ceiling/roof heights of 40–45 ft. (12.2–13.7 m): 6–14 in. (152–356 mm)</td>
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<td>Commodity</td>
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<td>Obstruction Criteria</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13 Chapter 14.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Minimum Aisle Width</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hose Stream Allowance and Water Supply Duration</td>
<td>250 gpm (946 lpm) for 60 minutes or as determined by the approval</td>
<td>Refer to FM 8-9</td>
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* The maximum coverage area must not exceed 100 ft².
** For FM, the measurement is from the centerline of the thermal sensing element to the ceiling.
*** Approved storage sprinklers are also FM Approved for use as non-storage sprinklers.
1. DESCRIPTION

Viking fire sprinklers consist of a threaded frame with a specific waterway or orifice size and a deflector for distributing water in a specified pattern. A closed or sealed sprinkler refers to a complete assembly, including the thermosensitive operating element. An open sprinkler does not use an operating element and is open at all times. The distribution of water is intended to extinguish a fire or to control its spread.

Viking sprinklers are available in several models and styles. Refer to specific sprinkler technical data pages for available styles, finishes, temperature ratings, thread sizes, and nominal K-Factors for the particular model selected.

2. LISTINGS AND APPROVALS

Refer to the Approval Charts on the appropriate sprinkler technical data page(s) and/or approval agency listings.

3. TECHNICAL DATA

Pressure Ratings:
Maximum allowable water working pressure is 175 psig (12 Bar) unless rated and specified for high water working pressure [250 psig (17.2 bar)].

Sprinkler Identification:
Viking sprinklers are identified and marked with the word "Viking", the sprinkler identification number (SIN) consisting of "VK" plus a three digit number*, the model letter, and the year of manufacture.

Available Finishes:
Viking sprinklers are available in several decorative finishes. Some models are available with corrosion-resistant coatings or are fabricated from non-corrosive material. Refer to the sprinkler technical data page for additional information.

Available Temperature Ratings:
Viking sprinklers are available in several temperature ratings that relate to a specific temperature classification. Applicable installation rules mandate the use and limitations of each temperature classification. In selecting the appropriate temperature classification, the maximum expected ceiling temperature must be known. When there is doubt as to the maximum temperature at the sprinkler location, a maximum-reading thermometer should be used to determine the temperature under conditions that would show the highest readings to be expected. In addition, recognized installation rules may require a higher temperature classification, depending upon sprinkler location, occupancy classification, commodity classification, storage height, and other hazards. In all cases, the maximum expected ceiling temperature dictates the lowest allowable temperature classification. Sprinklers located immediately adjacent to a heat source may require a higher temperature rating.

K-Factors:
Viking sprinklers are available in several orifice sizes with related K-Factors. The orifice is a tapered waterway and, therefore, the K-Factor given is nominal. Nominal U.S. K-Factors are provided in accordance with the 1999 edition of NFPA 13, Section 3-2.3. Refer to the specific data page for appropriate K-Factor information.

Available Styles:
Viking sprinklers are available for installation in several positions as indicated by a stamping on the deflector. The deflector style dictates the appropriate installation position of the sprinkler; it breaks the solid stream of water issuing from the sprinkler orifice to form a specific spray pattern. The following list indicates the various styles and identification of Viking sprinklers.

UPRIGHT SPRINKLER: A sprinkler intended to be installed with the deflector above the frame so water flows upward through the orifice, striking the deflector and forming an umbrella-shaped spray pattern downward. Marked “SSU” (Standard Sprinkler Upright) or “UPRIGHT” on the deflector.

PENDENT SPRINKLER: A sprinkler intended to be oriented with the deflector below the frame so water flows downward through the orifice, striking the deflector and forming an umbrella-shaped spray pattern downward. Marked “SSP” (Standard Sprinkler Pendent) or “PENDENT” on the deflector.

CONVENTIONAL SPRINKLER: An "old style" sprinkler intended to be installed with the deflector in either the upright or pendent position. The deflector provides a spherical type pattern with 40 to 60 percent of the water initially directed downward and a proportion directed upward. Must be installed in accordance with installation rules for conventional or old style sprinklers. DO NOT USE AS A REPLACEMENT FOR STANDARD SPRAY SPRINKLERS. Marked “C U/P” (Conventional Upright/Pendent) on the deflector.
SPRINKLER OVERVIEW

A sprinkler intended to provide fire suppression of specific high-challenge fire hazards. Marked “SIDEWALL” on the deflector with an arrow and the word “FLOW”. (Note: Some vertical sidewall sprinklers can only be installed in the upright or pendent position—this case, the sprinkler will also be marked “UPRIGHT” or “PENDENT”.)

DRY SPRINKLER: A special-service sprinkler intended for installation on dry pipe systems or wet pipe systems where the sprinkler is subject to freezing temperatures. The unit consists of a sprinkler permanently secured to an extension nipple with a sealed inlet end to prevent water from entering the nipple until the sprinkler operates. The unit MUST be installed in a tee fitting. Dry upright sprinklers are marked with the “B” dimension [distance from the face of the fitting (tee) to the top of the deflector]. Dry pendant and sidewall sprinklers are marked with the “A” dimension [the distance from the face of fitting (tee) to the finished surface of the ceiling or wall].

LARGE DROP SPRINKLER: A type of special application sprinkler used to provide fire control of specific high-challenge fire hazards. Large drop sprinklers are designed to produce an umbrella-shaped spray pattern downward with a higher percentage of “large” water droplets than standard spray sprinklers. The sprinkler has an extra-large orifice with a nominal K-Factor of 11.2. Marked “HIGH CHALLENGE” and “UPRIGHT”.

EARLY SUPPRESSION FAST-RESPONSE (ESFR) SPRINKLER: A sprinkler intended to provide fire suppression of specific high-challenge fire hazards through the use of a fast response fusible link, 14.0, 16.8, or 25.2 nominal K-Factor, and special deflector. ESFR sprinklers are designed to produce high-momentum water droplets in a hemispherical pattern below the deflector. This permits penetration of the fire plume and direct wetting of the burning fuel surface while cooling the atmosphere early in the development of a high-challenge fire. Marked “ESFR” and “UPRIGHT” or “PEND”. INTERMEDIATE LEVEL/RACK STORAGE SPRINKLER: A standard spray sprinkler assembly designed to protect its operating element from the spray of sprinklers installed at higher elevations. The assembly consists of a standard or large orifice upright or pendant sprinkler with an integral upright or pendant water shield and guard assembly. Use only those sprinklers that have been tested and listed for use with the assembly. Refer to the technical data page for allowable sprinkler models.

RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER: A sprinkler intended for use in the following occupancies: one- and two-family dwellings with the fire protection sprinkler system installed in accordance with NFPA 13D; residential occupancies up to four stories in height with the fire protection system installed in accordance with NFPA 13R; and where allowed by the Authority Having Jurisdiction in residential portions of any occupancy with the fire protection system installed in accordance with NFPA 13.
Residential sprinklers have a unique distribution pattern and utilize a “fast response” heat sensitive operating element. They enhance survivability in the room of fire origin and are designed to provide a life safety environment for a minimum of ten minutes. For this reason, residential sprinklers must not be used to replace standard sprinklers unless tested for and approved by the Authority Having Jurisdiction. In addition to standard markings, the unit is identified as “RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER” or “RES”.

4. INSTALLATION
   Refer to appropriate NFPA Installation Standards.

5. OPERATION
   Refer to the appropriate sprinkler technical data page(s).

6. INSPECTIONS, TESTS AND MAINTENANCE
   Refer to NFPA 25 for Inspection, Testing and Maintenance requirements.

7. AVAILABILITY
   Viking sprinklers 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.

8. GUARANTEE
   For details of warranty, refer to Viking’s current list price schedule or contact Viking directly.

IMPORTANT: Always refer to Bulletin Form No. F_091699 - Care and Handling of Sprinklers and the appropriate sprinkler general care, installation, and maintenance guide. 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. The sprinkler technical data page may contain installation requirements specific for the sprinkler model selected. The use of certain types of sprinklers may be limited due to occupancy and hazard. Refer to the Authority Having Jurisdiction prior to installation.
**BULLETIN**

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**CARE AND HANDLING OF SPRINKLERS**

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### General Handling and Storage:

- Store sprinklers in a cool, dry place.
- Protect sprinklers during storage, transport, handling, and after installation.
- Use the original shipping containers. DO NOT place sprinklers loose in boxes, bins, or buckets.
- Keep sprinklers separated at all times. DO NOT allow metal parts to contact sprinkler operating elements.

**For Pre-Assembled Drops:**

- Protect sprinklers during handling and after installation.
- For recessed assemblies, use the protective sprinkler cap (Viking Part Number 10364).

**Sprinklers with Protective Shields or Caps:**

- DO NOT remove shields or caps until after sprinkler installation and there no longer is potential for mechanical damage to the sprinkler operating elements.
- Sprinkler shields or caps MUST be removed BEFORE placing the system in service!
- Remove the sprinkler shield by carefully pulling it apart where it is snapped together.
- Remove the cap by turning it slightly and pulling it off the sprinkler.

**Sprinkler Installation:**

- DO NOT use the sprinkler deflector or operating element to start or thread the sprinkler into a fitting.
- Use only the designated sprinkler head wrench! Refer to the current sprinkler technical data page to determine the correct wrench for the model of sprinkler used.
- DO NOT install sprinklers onto piping at the floor level.
- Install sprinklers after the piping is in place to prevent mechanical damage.
- DO NOT allow impacts such as hammer blows directly to sprinklers or to fittings, pipe, or couplings in close proximity to sprinklers. Sprinklers can be damaged from direct or indirect impacts.
- DO NOT attempt to remove drywall, paint, etc., from sprinklers.
- Take care not to over-tighten the sprinkler and/or damage its operating parts!

- **Maximum Torque:**
  - 1/2" NPT: 14 ft-lbs. (19.0 N-m)
  - 3/4" NPT: 20 ft-lbs. (27.1 N-m)
  - 1" NPT: 30 ft-lbs. (40.7 N-m)

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**WARNING**

Any sprinkler with a loss of liquid from the glass bulb or damage to the fusible element should be destroyed. Never install sprinklers that have been dropped, damaged, or exposed to temperatures exceeding the maximum ambient temperature allowed. Sprinklers that have been painted in the field must be replaced per NFPA 13. Protect sprinklers from paint and paint overspray in accordance with the installation standards. Do not clean sprinklers with soap and water, ammonia, or any other cleaning fluid. Do not use adhesives or solvents on sprinklers or their operating elements.

Refer to the appropriate technical data page and NFPA standards for complete care, handling, installation, and maintenance instructions. For additional product and system information Viking data pages and installation instructions are available on the Viking Web site at www.vikinggroupinc.com.
PROTECTIVE SPRINKLER SHIELDS AND CAPS

General Handling and Storage:
Many Viking sprinklers are available with a plastic protective cap or shield temporarily covering the operating elements. The snap-on shields and caps are factory installed and are intended to help protect the operating elements from mechanical damage during shipping, storage, and installation. NOTE: It is still necessary to follow the care and handling instructions on the appropriate sprinkler technical data sheets* when installing sprinklers with bulb shields or caps.

WHEN TO REMOVE THE SHIELDS AND CAPS:

NOTE: SHIELDS AND CAPS MUST BE REMOVED FROM SPRINKLERS BEFORE PLACING THE SYSTEM IN SERVICE!

Remove the shield or cap from the sprinkler only after checking all of the following:
• The sprinkler has been installed*.
• The wall or ceiling finish work is completed where the sprinkler is installed and there no longer is a potential for mechanical damage to the sprinkler operating elements.

SHIELDS AND CAPS MUST BE REMOVED FROM SPRINKLERS BEFORE PLACING THE SYSTEM IN SERVICE!

HOW TO REMOVE SHIELDS AND CAPS:

No tools are necessary to remove the shields or caps from sprinklers. DO NOT use any sharp objects to remove them! Take care not to cause mechanical damage to sprinklers when removing the shields or caps. When removing caps from fusible element sprinklers, use care to prevent dislodging ejector springs or damaging fusible elements. NOTE: Squeezing the sprinkler cap excessively could damage sprinkler fusible elements.

• To remove the shield, simply pull the ends of the shield apart where it is snapped together. Refer to Figure 1.
• To remove the cap, turn it slightly and pull it off the sprinkler. Refer to Figures 2 and 3.

Refer to the current sprinkler technical data page to determine the correct sprinkler wrench for the model of sprinkler used.

Never install sprinklers that have been dropped, damaged, or exposed to temperatures in excess of the maximum ambient temperature allowed.

* Refer to the appropriate current technical data pages for complete care, handling, and installation instructions. Data pages are included with each shipment from Viking or Viking distributors. They can also be found on the Web site at www.vikinggroupinc.com.
GENERAL HANDLING AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS:

- Do not store in temperatures exceeding 100 °F (38 °C). Avoid direct sunlight and confined areas subject to heat.
- Protect sprinklers and cover assemblies during storage, transport, handling, and after installation.
  -- Use original shipping containers.
  -- Do not place sprinklers or cover assemblies loose in boxes, bins, or buckets.
- Keep the sprinkler bodies covered with the protective sprinkler cap any time the sprinklers are shipped or handled, during testing of the system, and while ceiling finish work is being completed.
- Use only the designated Viking recessed sprinkler wrench (refer to the appropriate sprinkler data page) to install these sprinklers. **NOTE:** The protective cap is temporarily removed during installation and then placed back on the sprinkler for protection until finish work is completed.
- Do not over-tighten the sprinklers into fittings during installation.
- Do not use the sprinkler deflector to start or thread the sprinklers into fittings during installation.
- Do not attempt to remove drywall, paint, etc., from the sprinklers.
- Remove the plastic protective cap from the sprinkler before attaching the cover plate assembly. **PROTECTIVE CAPS MUST BE REMOVED FROM SPRINKLERS BEFORE PLACING THE SYSTEM IN SERVICE!**

Refer to the appropriate current technical data pages for complete care, handling, and installation instructions. Data pages are included with each shipment from Viking or Viking distributors. They can also be found on the Web site at www.vikinggroupinc.com.
USE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS WHEN HANDLING WAX-COATED SPRINKLERS

Many of Viking’s sprinklers are available with factory-applied wax coating for corrosion resistance. These sprinklers MUST receive appropriate care and handling to avoid damaging the wax coating and to assure satisfactory performance of the product.

**General Handling and Storage of Wax-Coated Sprinklers:**

- Store the sprinklers in a cool, dry place (in temperatures below the maximum ambient temperature allowed for the sprinkler temperature rating. Refer to Table 1 below.)
- Store containers of wax-coated sprinklers separate from other sprinklers.
- Protect the sprinklers during storage, transport, handling, and after installation.
- Use original shipping containers.
- Do not place sprinklers in loose boxes, bins, or buckets.

**Installation of Wax-Coated Sprinklers:**

Use only the special sprinkler head wrench designed for installing wax-coated Viking sprinklers (any other wrench may damage the unit).

- Take care not to crack the wax coating on the units.
- For touching up the wax coating after installation, wax is available from Viking in bar form. Refer to Table 1 below. The coating MUST be repaired after sprinkler installation to protect the corrosion-resistant properties of the sprinkler.
- Use care when locating sprinklers near fixtures that can generate heat. Do not install sprinklers where they would be exposed to temperatures exceeding the maximum recommended ambient temperature for the temperature rating used.
- Inspect the coated sprinklers frequently soon after installation to verify the integrity of the corrosion resistant coating. Thereafter, inspect representative samples of the coated sprinklers in accordance with NFPA 25. Close up visual inspections are necessary to determine whether the sprinklers are being affected by corrosive conditions.

**TABLE 1**

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<th>Sprinkler Temperature Rating (Fusing Point)</th>
<th>Wax Part Number</th>
<th>Wax Melting Point</th>
<th>Maximum Ambient Ceiling Temperature</th>
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1 Based on NFPA-13. Other limits may apply, depending on fire loading, sprinkler location, and other requirements of the Authority Having Jurisdiction. Refer to specific installation standards.

**WARNING**

Never install sprinklers that have been dropped, damaged, or exposed to temperatures in excess of the maximum ambient temperature allowed.

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USE OF CORRECT INSTALLATION WRENCHES
FOR ESFR SPRINKLERS
(VK500, VK503, VK510, VK514 AND VK520)

CORRECT INSTALLATION WRENCHES FOR USE WITH VIKING ESFR SPRINKLERS

ESFR sprinklers must be installed using the manufacturer’s special installation wrench only, while taking care not to over-tighten or damage the sprinkler operating parts. Figure 1 below shows an example of correct use of a designated ESFR sprinkler wrench. Use of any other wrench, such as those shown in Figures 2 through 4 below, could damage the unit.

- Viking ESFR Upright Sprinklers: Use Viking Wrench Part Number 05118CW/B.
- Viking ESFR Pendent K14 and K16.8 Sprinklers: Use Viking Wrench Part Number 10285W/B or double-ended 13635WB (Side A).
- Viking ESFR Pendent K25.2 Sprinklers: Use Viking Wrench Part Number 12143W/B or double-ended 13635WB (Side B).
- Viking ESFR Pendent K28 Sprinklers: Viking Wrench Part Number (double-ended) 13635WB (Side B only).

The sprinkler is contained in a plastic cap for protection during shipping and installation. With the sprinkler contained in the plastic cap, apply a small amount of pipe-joint compound or tape to the male threads of the sprinkler and then install the ESFR sprinkler by applying the wrench to the sprinkler wrench flats only. DO NOT use the deflector or fusible element to start or thread the sprinkler into a fitting.

Take care not to over-tighten the sprinkler and/or damage its operating parts!

Maximum Torque:
- 3/4" NPT: 20 ft-lbs. (27.1 N-m)
- 1" NPT: 30 ft-lbs. (40.7 N-m)

DO NOT install sprinklers onto piping at the floor level. Install sprinklers after the piping is in place at the ceiling to prevent mechanical damage.

NOTE: The sprinklers are contained in plastic caps for protection during shipping and installation. Remove the caps from the sprinklers AFTER installation. Use care when removing the caps to prevent dislodging the ejector spring or damaging the fusible element. The caps MUST be removed from sprinklers BEFORE placing the system in service!

Refer to the latest appropriate technical data pages for complete care, handling, and installation instructions. Data pages are included with each shipment from Viking or Viking distributors. They can also be found on the Viking Web site at www.vikinggroupinc.com.

WARNING
Never install sprinklers that have been dropped, damaged, or exposed to temperatures in excess of the maximum ambient temperature allowed. Any sprinkler with damage to the operating element should be destroyed.
1. DESCRIPTION
Regulatory and Health Warnings applying to materials used in the manufacture and construction of fire protection products are provided herein as they relate to legally mandated jurisdictional regions.

⚠️ WARNING

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, USA
Installing or servicing fire protection products such as sprinklers, valves, piping etc. can expose you to chemicals including, but not limited to, lead, nickel, butadiene, titanium dioxide, chromium, carbon black, and acrylonitrile which are known to the State of California to cause cancer or birth defects or other reproductive harm.

For more information, go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov

2. WARRANTY TERMS AND CONDITIONS
For details of warranty, refer to Viking’s current list price schedule at www.vikinggroupinc.com or contact Viking directly.