



## FIREWATCH ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

### PURPOSE

Your facility has been directed to implement a Fire Watch program. It is your responsibility to document the Fire Watch. Fire personnel will assist you in further understanding the Fire Watch procedures. Fire Watch procedures can be terminated upon the correction of impaired fire protection systems and approval of the Fire Official.

### DEFINITIONS

**Fire Watch** – A temporary measure intended to ensure continuous and systematic surveillance of a building or portion thereof by one or more qualified individuals for the purposes of identifying and controlling fire hazards or similar emergencies, detecting early signs of unwanted fire, raising an alarm of fire and notifying the fire department.

**Fire Protection System** – Any component, system or combination thereof, that uses approved devices or equipment to detect a fire, activate an alarm, extinguish or control a fire or control or manage smoke and products of a fire. For the purpose of this guideline, smoke detectors within individual dwelling units shall be treated separately.

### BACKGROUND

1. The Arkansas Fire Prevention Code outlines the requirements for managing fire protection systems that are out of service.
2. Whenever a fire protection system is out of service, the fire department and fire code official shall be notified immediately
3. The fire code official is authorized to require the evacuation of the building or an approved fire watch shall be provided for all occupants left unprotected by the shutdown until the fire protection system has been returned to service

I have read and understand the purpose of Fire Watch. The instructions have been clearly explained to me by a Fire Official. I understand it is my responsibility as Impairment Coordinator to document the procedures and/or assign a Fire Watch Inspection for the duration of the Fire Watch.

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Facility Representative

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