Emergency Preparedness & Disaster Planning

National Fire Protection Association
National Fire Code 909
Protection of Cultural Resources
Scope of NFPA 909

1. Museums
2. Libraries
3. Historic Buildings
4. Places of Worship
Fire Emergency Planning

1. Life Safety Systems
2. Fire Prevention
3. Fire Inspections
4. Periodic Property Surveys
5. Proper Operation of Fire Equipment

Responsibility of the Facility’s Governing Body

Fire Risk Assessment Shall be Conducted
Fire Protection Plan

1. Format a Plan
2. Updated Annually
3. Fire Safety Log
4. Training of Staff
5. Testing of All Fire Protection Equipment
6. Fire Safety Goals
Planning for a Response

The Governing Body shall develop and implement an Emergency Management Plan. The Plan shall include an Annual Exercise to ensure the Staff and Management can perform the required tasks. Part of the Plan must include notifying the Fire Department of the type and location of the Emergency.
All Staff and Management (Includes Volunteers and Interns) Shall Receive Periodic Training in:

- Fire Protection Plan
- Emergency Evacuation Plan
- Salvage Plan
Fire Prevention

1. Decorations
2. Fire Spread Control
3. Housekeeping
4. Smoking
5. Hot Work Permits
6. Open Flames
7. Chimneys
8. Electrical Hazards
Leading Cause of Fire in Museums is Electrical
Types of Fires in Museums

1. Electrical 24%
2. Arson 18%
3. Other Equipment 11%
4. Open Flame 10%
5. Heating Equipment 8%
6. Smoking 8%
7. Cooking 7%
8. Natural Causes 4%
9. Other 10%
Leading Cause of Fire in Libraries is Arson
Causes of Fires in Libraries

1. Arson 40%
2. Electrical 20%
3. Other Equipment 10%
4. Open Flame 6%
5. Smoking 6%
6. Heating Equipment 6%
7. Cooking 4%
8. Other 8%
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Security Measures

1. Things That Help Protect Against Arson
   A. Who has entry rights.
   B. Do you have security patrols.
   C. Are all entry points monitored.
   D. Locked exits???
Historic Structures are Included in NFPA 909, Wide Variety of Structure Types and Use Groups
Fires Can Start Anywhere and at Anytime-Having a Good Plan and Training Helps Prevent These Tragedies