

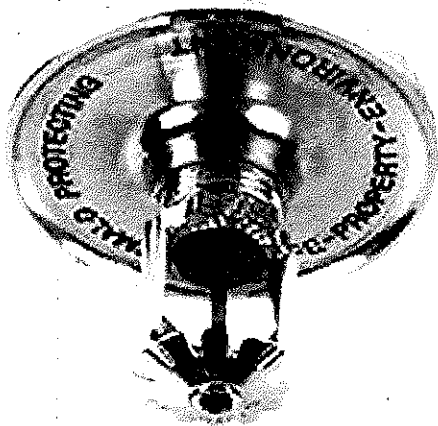
# **Sprinkler Information**



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## How Sprinklers Work

1. Sprinklers act as a heat detector.
2. When the Sprinkler reaches a predetermined temperature, the heat element erupts
3. Water is discharged.
4. The water continues to control the fire until the fire department arrives. In most cases, it will completely extinguish the fire.



Information cited from Townhouse Sprinklers, Inc.  
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## How to Care for Your System

1. Call a licensed fire sprinkler contractor when renovating your home.
2. Do not paint your sprinklers. This will delay the activation time.
3. Do not hang anything on or near your sprinklers. They must be open and easily accessible at all times.
4. Call a licensed fire sprinkler contractor for any and all maintenance. This includes cleaning the heads.
5. Notify the fire department before removing or turning off sprinkler system.
6. Maintain the temperature of all areas of your home above 40 degrees, even if your home is vacant.
7. Be careful when moving large or tall items. Do not bump sprinklers or expose pipes
8. Consult NFPA #25 for all maintenance related issues.

## Sources for More Information



American Fire Sprinkler Association  
[www.sprinklernet.org](http://www.sprinklernet.org)



National Fire Protection Association  
[www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org)



Maryland State Fire Marshal  
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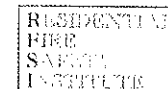
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