



## West Des Moines Fire Department FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU (515) 273-0643

## **INSPECTION TAGS**

WDM Fire Code

Tags are WHITE or RED. A WHITE tag is applied only if the system has been tested, inspected and serviced according to approved standards. Any system that does not pass an inspection according to approved standards shall be tagged RED. If your employee tags a system WHITE that should be RED, your company may be held liable.

If the system is tagged RED, the permitted company must notify the West Des Moines Fire Marshal within 24 hours of tagging such system. This may be done by fax at 515-222-3379, email or phone.

Tags are to be punched or blacked out with a permanent marker for the appropriate year and month, type of system and whether the system is new, serviced (annual inspection) or repaired. This is to prevent tampering with the tag. The person tagging the system shall write his initials or name and the date legibly on the tag. The company permit number is also required. The back side of the WHITE tag is primarily used by the occupant for building maintenance. Remember, you are tagging the system to show when it is due to be reinspected.

Only one tag per system shall be used. Example: a building with a wet fire sprinkler, dry sprinkler system, fire pump, fire extinguishers, clean agent system and fire alarm system will require multiple tags.

The tags were not designed for advertising. It is allowable for a business to place their own tag for advertising purposes. Advertising stickers placed on systems are also allowed. The West Metro Fire Prevention Bureau tag must be on all systems.

For questions, call the West Des Moines Fire Prevention Bureau at 515-273-0643.

