Model RFC Series Residential Sprinklers
Flat Concealed Pendent
cULus Listed

Features

- cULus Listed as Residential Sprinklers
- Push-On cover plate installation
- Low water flow requirements

Product Description

Model RFC Series residential sprinklers are flat cover plate, concealed pendent sprinklers intended for installation in accordance with NFPA 13, NFPA 13R, or NFPA 13D. The sprinklers are cULus Listed as Residential Sprinklers in accordance with UL 1626. In addition, Model RFCLL Series sprinklers are cULus Certified for Health Effects to NSF/ANSI standard 61 Annex G (LL) and Australian WaterMark Certified (WMCS).

Model RFC30 sprinklers have a 165°F (74°C) temperature rated fusible-link operating element. Model RFC43, RFC49, RFC58, and RFC76 sprinklers are offered with either a 165°F (74°C) or 212°F (100°C) temperature rated fusible-link operating element. Sprinklers with a 165°F (74°C) temperature rating are ordinary temperature classification and are listed for use with a 135°F (57°C) temperature rated cover plate. Sprinklers with a 212°F (100°C) temperature rating are intermediate temperature classification and are listed for use with a 165°F (74°C) temperature rated cover plate.

Model RFC Series sprinklers are installed with a Model RFC or Model G5 Cover Plate. Model G5 Cover Plates may be installed by either pushing or threading the cover plate into the sprinkler cup. Model RFC30, RFC30LL, RFC43, RFC43LL, RFC49 and RFC49LL sprinklers allow 1/2” (13 mm) of cover plate adjustment. Model RFC58 and RFC76 sprinklers allow 3/4” (19 mm) of cover plate adjustment. Model RFC and G5 Cover Plates are available in a variety of finishes as listed in Table H.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sprinkler Model</th>
<th>Nominal K-Factor gpm/psi^{1/2} (l/min/bar^{1/2})</th>
<th>Max. Coverage Area ft x ft (m x m)</th>
<th>Listings &amp; Approvals</th>
<th>Sprinkler Identification Number (SIN)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>RFC30</td>
<td>3.0 (43)</td>
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<td>7.6 (109)</td>
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cULus: cULus Listed to UL1626, Residential Sprinklers for Fire Protection Service.
LL: cULus Certified for Health Effects to NSF/ANSI Standard 61 Annex G (Less than 0.25% Lead content).
WMCS: Australian WaterMark Certified.

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**Model RFC30 & RFC30LL Sprinkler Components and Dimensions**

- **Threads:** 1/2” NPT or ISO 7-1R1/2
- **Nominal K-Factor:** 3.0 (43 metric)
- **Max. Working Pressure:** 175 psi (12 bar)
- **Min. Spacing:** 8 ft. (2.4 m)

**Material Specifications**
- **Thermal Sensor:** Nickel Alloy Solder Link
- **Sprinkler Body:** Brass Alloy
- **Levers:** Bronze Alloy
- **Yoke:** Brass Alloy
- **Sealing Assembly:** Nickel Alloy with PTFE
- **Load Screw:** Bronze Alloy
- **Towers:** Copper Alloy
- **Deflector:** Bronze Alloy
- **Cup:** Steel

**Cover Plate Finishes**
(See Table H)

**Sensitivity**
Fast-response

**Temperature Rating**
- 165°F (74°C) sprinkler
- 135°F (57°C) cover plate

**Cover Plate**
- Model RFC Cover Plate
- Model G5 Cover Plate

**Sprinkler Wrench**
- Model FC (without wrench-able cap)
- Model W3 (with wrench-able cap)

**Listings and Approvals**
cULus Listed to UL 1626
- cULus Certified for Health Effects to NSF/ANSI Standard 61 Annex G (RFC30LL only)
- Watermark Certified (RFC30LL only)

**Model RFC30 and RFC30LL Sprinkler Hydraulic Design Criteria**

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<tr>
<th>Max. Coverage Area (ft. x ft. / m x m)</th>
<th>Flow gpm (l/min)</th>
<th>Pressure psi (bar)</th>
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<tr>
<td>12 x 12 (3.6 x 3.6)</td>
<td>9 (34)</td>
<td>9.0 (0.62)</td>
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<td>14 x 14 (4.3 x 4.3)</td>
<td>10 (38)</td>
<td>11.0 (0.76)</td>
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**Notes:**
1. For NFPA 13 installations the flow per sprinkler must be the greater of: (1) the flow listed in Table B above and (2) the flow required to achieve a minimum design density of 0.1 gpm/sq ft over the design area of the sprinkler.
2. For coverage area dimensions less than those listed above, use the minimum required flow for the next larger max. coverage area listed.
### Model RFC43 & RFC43LL Residential Sprinklers

#### Technical Specifications
- **Style:** Flat Concealed Pendent
- **Threads:** 1/2" NPT or ISO 7-1R1/2
- **Nominal K-Factor:** 4.3 (62 metric)
- **Max. Working Pressure:** 175 psi (12 bar)
- **Min. Spacing:** 8 ft. (2.4 m)

#### Material Specifications
- **Thermal Sensor:** Nickel Alloy Solder Link
- **Sprinkler Body:** Brass Alloy
- **Levers:** Bronze Alloy
- **Yoke:** Brass Alloy
- **Sealing Assembly:** Nickel Alloy with PTFE
- **Load Screw:** Bronze Alloy
- **Towers:** Copper Alloy
- **Pins:** Stainless Steel
- **Deflector:** Bronze Alloy
- **Cup:** Steel

#### Cover Plate Finishes
(See Table H)

### Sensitivity
- Fast-response

### Temperature Rating
- **Ordinary:**
  - 165°F (74°C) sprinkler
  - 135°F (57°C) cover plate
- **Intermediate:**
  - 212°F (100°C) sprinkler
  - 165°F (74°C) cover plate

### Cover Plate
- Model RFC Cover Plate
- Model G5 Cover Plate

### Sprinkler Wrench
- Model FC (without wrench-able cap)
- Model W3 (with wrench-able cap)

### Listings and Approvals
- cULus Listed to UL 1626
- cULus Certified for Health Effects to NSF/ANSI Standard 61 Annex G (RFC43LL only)
- Watermark Certified (RFC43LL only)

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### Model RFC43 & RFC43LL Sprinkler Components and Dimensions

#### Figure 2

![Sprinkler Components Diagram]

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### Model RFC43 & RFC43LL Sprinkler Hydraulic Design Criteria

#### Table C

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<tr>
<th>Max. Coverage Area (ft x ft)</th>
<th>Minimum Flow and Residual Pressure (gpm)</th>
<th>Ordinary Temperature</th>
<th>Intermediate Temperature</th>
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<td>Flow psi (l/min)</td>
<td>Pressure psi (l/min)</td>
<td>Flow psi (l/min)</td>
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<tr>
<td>15 x 15</td>
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<td>7.8 (0.54)</td>
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<td>(4.6 x 4.6)</td>
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<td>16 x 16</td>
<td>13 (49)</td>
<td>9.1 (0.63)</td>
<td>13 (49)</td>
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<td>18 x 18</td>
<td>18 (68)</td>
<td>17.5 (1.21)</td>
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<td>20 x 20</td>
<td>21 (79)</td>
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<td>(6.1 x 6.1)</td>
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#### Notes:
1. For NFPA 13 installations the flow per sprinkler must be the greater of: (1) the flow listed in Table C above and (2) the flow required to achieve a minimum design density of 0.1 gpm/sq ft over the design area of the sprinkler.
2. For coverage area dimensions less than those listed above, use the minimum required flow for the next larger max. coverage area listed.
Technical Specifications

- Style: Flat Concealed Pendent
- Threads: 1/2" NPT or ISO 7-1R1/2
- Nominal K-Factor: 4.9 (71 metric)
- Max. Working Pressure: 175 psi (12 bar)
- Min. Spacing: 8 ft. (2.4 m)

Material Specifications

- Thermal Sensor: Nickel Alloy Solder Link
- Sprinkler Body: Brass Alloy
- Levers: Bronze Alloy
- Yoke: Brass Alloy
- Sealing Assembly: Nickel Alloy with PTFE
- Load Screw: Bronze Alloy
- Towers: Copper Alloy
- Pins: Stainless Steel
- Deflector: Bronze Alloy
- Cup: Steel

Cover Plate Finishes

(See Table H)

Sensitivity

- Fast-response

Temperature Rating

- Ordinary:
  - 165°F (74°C) sprinkler
  - 135°F (57°C) cover plate
- Intermediate:
  - 212°F (100°C) sprinkler
  - 165°F (74°C) cover plate

Cover Plate

- Model G5 Cover Plate

Sprinkler Wrench

- Model FC (without wrench-able cap)
- Model W3 (with wrench-able cap)

Listings and Approvals

- cULus Listed to UL 1626
- cULus Certified for Health Effects to NSF/ANSI Standard 61 Annex G (RFC49LL only)
- Watermark Certified (RFC49LL only)

Model RFC49 & RFC49LL Sprinkler Components and Dimensions

- Threads
- Body
- Cup
- Tower
- Fusible Link
- Deflector (retracted)
- Pin (extended)
- Deflector (extended)

Model RFC49 & RFC49LL Residential Sprinklers

RFC49: SINRA0616
RFC49LL: SINRA3216

Model RFC49 & RFC49LL Sprinkler Hydraulic Design Criteria

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Max. Coverage Area (ft. x ft.)</th>
<th>Ordinary Temperature</th>
<th>Intermediate Temperature</th>
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<tr>
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<td>Flow gpm (l/min)</td>
<td>Pressure psi (bar)</td>
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<tr>
<td>16 x 16 (4.9 x 4.9)</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>7.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>18 x 18 (5.5 x 5.5)</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>12.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>20 x 20 (6.1 x 6.1)</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>16.7</td>
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Notes:

1. For NFPA 13 installations the flow per sprinkler must be the greater of: (1) the flow listed in Table D above and (2) the flow required to achieve a minimum design density of 0.1 gpm/sq ft over the design area of the sprinkler.
2. For coverage area dimensions less than those listed above, use the minimum required flow for the next larger max. coverage area listed.
Model RFC58 Residential Sprinkler

Technical Specifications
- **Style:** Flat Concealed Pendent
- **Threads:** 1/2" NPT or ISO 7-1R1/2
- **Nominal K-Factor:** 5.8 (84 metric)
- **Max. Working Pressure:** 175 psi (12 bar)
- **Min. Spacing:** 8 ft. (2.4 m)

Material Specifications
- **Thermal Sensor:** Nickel Alloy Solder Link
- **Sprinkler Body:** Brass Alloy
- **Levers:** Bronze Alloy
- **Yoke:** Brass Alloy
- **Sealing Assembly:** Nickel Alloy with PTFE
- **Load Screw:** Bronze Alloy
- **Towers:** Copper Alloy
- **Pins:** Stainless Steel
- **Deflector:** Chrome Plated Bronze Alloy
- **Cup:** Steel

Cover Plate Finishes
(See Table H)

Sensitivity
Fast-response

Temperature Ratings
- **Ordinary:**
  - 165°F (74°C) sprinkler
  - 135°F (57°C) cover plate
- **Intermediate:**
  - 212°F (100°C) sprinkler
  - 165°F (74°C) cover plate

Cover Plate
- Model G5 Cover Plate

Sprinkler Wrench
- Model FC (without wrench-able cap)
- Model W3 (with wrench-able cap)

Listings and Approvals
cULus Listed

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Model RFC58 Sprinkler Components and Dimensions

Model RFC58 Sprinkler Hydraulic Design Criteria

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Max. Coverage Area (3) ft. x ft. (m x m)</th>
<th>Minimum Flow and Residual Pressure(1)</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Flow gpm (l/min)</td>
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<tr>
<td>16 x 16 (4.9 x 4.9)</td>
<td>16 (60.6)</td>
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<tr>
<td>18 x 18 (5.5 x 5.5)</td>
<td>18 (68.1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>20 x 20 (6.1 x 6.1)</td>
<td>20 (75.7)</td>
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Notes:
1. For NFPA 13 installations the flow per sprinkler must be the greater of:
   (1) the flow listed in Table E above and (2) the flow required to achieve a minimum design density of 0.1 gpm/sq ft over the design area of the sprinkler.
2. For coverage area dimensions less than those listed above, use the minimum required flow for the next larger max. coverage area listed.

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Model RFC76 Residential Sprinkler

Technical Specifications
- **Style:** Flat Concealed Pendent
- **Threads:** 3/4" NPT or ISO 7-1R3/4
- **Nominal K-Factor:** 7.6 (109 metric)
- **Max. Working Pressure:** 175 psi (12 bar)
- **Min. Spacing:** 8 ft. (2.4 m)

Material Specifications
- **Thermal Sensor:** Nickel Alloy Solder Link
- **Sprinkler Body:** Brass Alloy
- **Levers:** Bronze Alloy
- **Yoke:** Brass Alloy
- **Sealing Assembly:** Nickel Alloy with PTFE
- **Load Screw:** Bronze Alloy
- **Towers:** Copper Alloy
- **Pins:** Stainless Steel
- **Deflector:** Bronze Alloy
- **Cup:** Steel

Cover Plate Finishes
(See Table H)

Sensitivity
Fast-response

Temperature Ratings
- **Ordinary:**
  - 165°F (74°C) sprinkler
  - 135°F (57°C) cover plate
- **Intermediate:**
  - 212°F (100°C) sprinkler
  - 165°F (74°C) cover plate

Cover Plate
Model G5 Cover Plate

Sprinkler Wrench
- Model FC (without wrench-able cap)
- Model W3 (with wrench-able cap)

Listings and Approvals
- cULus Listed

Model RFC76 Sprinkler Components and Dimensions

![Image of RFC76 Sprinkler Components and Dimensions]

Model RFC76 Flat Concealed Sprinkler Hydraulic Design Criteria

### Table E

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<td>ft. x ft. (m x m)</td>
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<td>16 x 16 (4.9 x 4.9)</td>
<td>21 (79.5)</td>
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<td>18 x 18 (5.5 x 5.5)</td>
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<td>20 x 20 (6.1 x 6.1)</td>
<td>34 (128.7)</td>
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**Notes:**
1. For NFPA 13 installations the flow per sprinkler must be the greater of: (1) the flow listed in Table E above and (2) the flow required to achieve a minimum design density of 0.1 gpm/sq ft over the design area of the sprinkler.
2. For coverage area dimensions less than those listed above, use the minimum required flow for the next larger max. coverage area listed.
# Cover Plate Finishes

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<tr>
<th>Standard Finishes</th>
<th>Special Application Finishes</th>
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<tr>
<td>White Polyester</td>
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<tr>
<td>Chrome Plated</td>
<td>Bright Brass</td>
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<tr>
<td>Satin Chrome</td>
<td>Stainless Steel Clad(3)</td>
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<td>Raw Brass</td>
<td>Finished Bronze</td>
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<td>Black Paint</td>
<td>Black Plated</td>
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<tr>
<td>Custom Color Paint</td>
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**Notes:**
1. Paint or any other coating applied over the factory finish will void all approvals and warranties.
2. Custom color paint is semi-gloss, unless specified otherwise.
3. Stainless steel clad cover plates are Type 316 Stainless Steel on the finished side and C102 Copper Allow on the back side. Cover plates are not listed or approved as corrosion resistant.

# Installation Dimensions

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<tr>
<th>Sprinkler Model</th>
<th>Cover Plate Model</th>
<th>Cover Plate Diameter (inch)</th>
<th>Recommended Hole Diameter in Ceiling (inch)</th>
<th>Cover Plate Adjustment inch (mm)</th>
<th>Min. to Max. Face of Fitting to Ceiling (inch)</th>
<th>Min. to Max. Dropped Deflector Distance below Ceiling (inch)</th>
<th>Cover Plate Temperature Rating</th>
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<td>RFC30, RFC30LL</td>
<td>RFC or G5</td>
<td>3-5/16 (84)</td>
<td>2-5/8 (67)</td>
<td>1/2 (13)</td>
<td>1/2 to 2 (38 to 51)</td>
<td>1/2 to 1 (13 to 25)</td>
<td>135°F (57°C)</td>
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<td>RFC43, RFC43LL, RFC49, RFC49LL</td>
<td>RFC or G5</td>
<td>3-5/16 (84)</td>
<td>2-5/8 (67)</td>
<td>1/2 (13)</td>
<td>1/2 to 2 (38 to 51)</td>
<td>1/2 to 1 (13 to 25)</td>
<td>135°F(2) (57°C) or 165°F(3) (74°C)</td>
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<tr>
<td>RFC58, RFC76</td>
<td>RFC or G5</td>
<td>3-5/16 (84)</td>
<td>2-5/8 (67)</td>
<td>3/4 (19)</td>
<td>1/2 to 2-1/4 (38 to 57)</td>
<td>1/4 to 1 (6 to 25)</td>
<td>135°F(2) (57°C) or 165°F(3) (74°C)</td>
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**Notes:**
1. Face of fitting to ceiling dimensions are based on a nominal thread make up. Verify dimensions based on fitting and thread sealing method prior to installation. A 1/2” x 1/2” brass nipple extension (Reliable P/N 6999991900) is available where necessary for replacement of existing sprinklers.
2. For use with 165°F (74°C) temperature rated sprinklers where the Maximum Ceiling Temperature does not exceed 100°F (38°C).
3. For use with 212°F (100°C) temperature rated sprinklers where the Maximum Ceiling Temperature does not exceed 150°F (66°C).

# Installation

Model RFC series sprinklers are intended to be installed in accordance with NFPA 13, NFPA 13R, and NFPA 13D, as well as the requirements of applicable authorities having jurisdiction. Model RFC series sprinklers must not be installed in ceilings with positive pressure in the space above. Ensure that the 4 slots in the cup are open and unobstructed following installation. Model RFC series sprinklers are shipped with a wrench-able protective cap that should remain on the sprinkler until the sprinkler system is placed in service following construction.

Model RFC series sprinklers can be installed without removing the wrench-able protective cap using the Model W3 wrench. Alternatively, Model RFC series sprinklers can be installed using the Model FC wrench by temporarily removing the protective cap during installation of the sprinkler. The use of any other wrench to installed Model RFC series sprinklers is not permitted and may damage the sprinkler. Fully insert the Model W3 wrench over the cap until it reaches the bottom of the cup, or the Model FC wrench over the sprinkler until the wrench engages the body. Do not wrench any other part of the sprinkler/cup assembly. The Model W3 and FC wrenches are designed to be turned with a standard 1/2" square drive. Tighten the sprinkler into the fitting after applying a PTFE based thread sealant to the sprinkler’s threads. Recommended installation torque is 8 to 18 ft-lbs (11 to 24 N-m) for 1/2” thread sprinklers and 14 to 20 ft-lbs (19 to 27 N-m) for 3/4” thread sprinklers.

Do not exceed the maximum recommended torque. Exceeding the maximum recommended torque may cause leakage or impairment of the sprinkler. Use care when inserting or removing the wrench from the sprinkler to avoid damage to the sprinkler.

Install the cover plate by hand by pushing the cover plate into the cup and turning the cover in the clockwise direction until it is tight against the ceiling.

# Application

Model RFC series sprinklers are intended for installation where residential sprinklers are permitted or required by NFPA 13, NFPA 13R, and NFPA 13D. The sprinklers are concealed pendent residential sprinklers.

Model RFC 30 and RFC30LL sprinklers are available in ordinary temperature classification for installation where the Maximum Ceiling Temperature does not exceed 100°F (38°C). Model RFC43, RFC43LL, RFC49, RFC49LL, RFC58, and RFC76 sprinklers are available in either ordinary or intermediate temperature classification for installation where the Maximum Ceiling Temperature does not exceed 100°F (38°C) or 150°F (66°C), respectively.
Listings and Approvals

Listed by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. and UL Certified for Canada to UL1626, Residential Sprinklers for Fire-protection Service (cULus).


Australian WaterMark Certified (RFC30LL, RFC43LL, and RFC49LL only).

Patents


Ordering Information

Specify the following when ordering.

**Sprinkler**
- Temperature Rating

**Cover Plate**
- Model RFC or G5
- Temperature Rating
- Finish (See Table H)

**Sprinkler Wrench**
- Model FC
- Model W3
- Model W8 (Limited use)

Maintenance

Model RFC series sprinklers should be inspected and the sprinkler system maintained in accordance with NFPA 25. Do not clean sprinklers with soap and water, ammonia or any other cleaning fluids. Remove dust by gentle vacuuming. Replace any sprinkler cover plate assembly which has been painted (other than factory applied) or damaged in any way. A stock of spare sprinklers should be maintained to allow quick replacement of damaged or operated sprinklers. Prior to installation, sprinklers should be maintained in the original cartons and packaging until used to minimize the potential for damage to sprinklers that would cause improper operation or non-operation.

 Guarantee

For the Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc. guarantee, terms, and conditions, visit www.reliablesprinkler.com.