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S&C 17-38-LSC FIRE AND SMOKE DOOR ANNUAL TESTING REQUIREMENTS
IN HEALTH CARE OCCUPANCIES

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) adopted the 2012 edition of the NFPA LSC, which includes requirements for the maintenance, inspection, and testing of fire doors and smoke doors in certain certified health care facilities. The 2012 LSC added new provisions under Section 7.2.1.15 – *Inspection of Door Openings* for the annual inspection and testing of certain fire doors and smoke doors assemblies in accordance with the 2010 editions of NFPA 80 – *Standard for Fire Doors and Other Opening Protectives*, and NFPA 105 – *Standard for Smoke Door Assemblies and Other Opening Protectives*.

The new LSC provisions under sections 7.2.1.15.1 and 7.2.1.15.2 require certain fire door and smoke door assemblies to be inspected and tested annually in accordance with the NFPA 80 and NFPA 105. Full compliance with the annual fire door assembly inspection and testing in accordance with 2010 NFPA 80 is required by January 1, 2018.

Additional information and the S&C memo can be found at: [S&C 17-38-LSC](#)

Thank you for your continued commitment to the health and safety of nursing home residents. If you have any questions, please contact your local RCS Field Manager.

Sincerely,

Candace Goehring, Director
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