



CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE HAZARDS?



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The sprinkler head protecting this apartment unit is being obstructed by a piece of tenant-owned furniture. To ensure a sprinkler head will disperse a proper water spray pattern under fire conditions, there must be at least an 18-inch vertical clearance between items being stored and any sprinkler heads.

This would include inside apartments, storage closets, maintenance rooms and food pantries. A standard safeguard to maintain this clearance in non-common areas is to draw a horizontal line around the room 18 inches from the bottom of the sprinkler head. Also a simple sign stating “no storage above this line” can be effective.

For additional information, please [click here](#) to view a fact sheet on sprinkler systems.