



Attention All Restaurant Owners and Employees

BEWARE OF PHONE CALLS ASKING YOU TO TEST YOUR FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM!

Local restaurants are receiving phone calls from someone identifying themselves as a Fire Department employee or alarm company employee, asking them to test the fire suppression system by pulling the handle to manually activate it.

DO NOT PULL THE HANDLE!

The activation will discharge a chemical agent that is intended to suppress fires and save lives and property. In addition to needing a technician from the alarm company to recharge the suppression system, it requires restaurants to close for clean-up and have a County Health Inspector come out for inspection before re-opening.

You will NEVER receive a legitimate request to test your system over the phone. Testing is done in person. If you do not have an actual emergency at your restaurant, take the time to call your local fire department and/or your alarm company to validate the requested action.

If you have any questions about a request of this type, PLEASE CALL YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND/OR YOUR ALARM COMPANY FIRST.

Anyone with information about these incidents and/or the caller's identity is encouraged to contact their local Fire or Police Department.

Any person(s) found guilty of making these prank phone calls will be subject to criminal prosecution and civil liability.