Model ESFR-25
25.2 K-factor Pendent Sprinkler
Early Suppression, Fast Response

General Description

TYCO Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinklers are Early Suppression, Fast Response (ESFR) sprinklers having a nominal K-factor of 25.2 (Ref. Figure 1). They are suppression-mode sprinklers that are especially advantageous as a means of eliminating the use of in-rack sprinklers when protecting high-piled storage.

The Model ESFR-25 Sprinklers are primarily used for ceiling-only sprinkler protection of (but not limited to) the following storage applications:

- most encapsulated or non-encapsulated common materials including cartoned, unexpanded plastics
- uncartoned (exposed) expanded plastics in accordance with NFPA 13 and FM Global standards
- some storage arrangements of rubber tires, roll paper, flammable liquids, aerosols, and automotive components

For more specific criteria, refer to Table A as well as the applicable design standard.

The Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinklers provide the system designer with hydraulic and sprinkler placement options not presently available to the traditional ESFR sprinklers having nominal K-factors of 14.0 and 16.8. In particular, the Model ESFR-25 Sprinkler has been designed to operate at substantially lower-end head pressures, as compared to ESFR Sprinklers having nominal K-factors of 14.0 and 16.8. This feature offers flexibility when sizing system piping, as well as possibly reducing or eliminating the need for a system fire pump.

Also, Model ESFR-25 Sprinklers permit use of a maximum deflector-to-ceiling distance of 18 inches (460 mm) versus 14 inches (356 mm). Additionally, a storage arrangement of 40 ft. (12.2 m) with a ceiling height of 45 ft. (13.7 m) does not require in-rack sprinklers as do other ESFR Sprinklers having nominal K-factors of 14.0 and 16.8.

The Model ESFR-25 Sprinklers are listed by Underwriters Laboratories (UL) for specific applications with a maximum storage height of 43 ft. (13.1 m) with a maximum ceiling height of 48 ft. (14.6 m) without the requirement for in-rack sprinklers. Refer to the Specific Application Listing (UL) for the design criteria.

Applications for the TYCO ESFR Sprinklers are expanding beyond currently recognized installation standards. For information on research fire tests (e.g., with flammable liquids and aerosols) that may be acceptable to an authority having jurisdiction, contact Tyco Fire Protection Products (TFPP) Technical Services.

NOTICE
The Model ESFR-25 Sprinklers described herein must be installed and maintained in compliance with this document, as well as with the applicable standards of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), in addition to the standards of any authorities having jurisdiction (e.g., FM Global). Failure to do so may impair the performance of these devices.

The owner is responsible for maintaining their fire protection system and devices in proper operating condition. Contact the installing contractor or product manufacturer with any questions.

In all cases, the appropriate NFPA or FM Global installation standard, or other applicable standard, must be referenced to ensure applicability and to obtain complete installation guides.

Sprinkler Identification Number (SIN)
TY9226
TY9226 is a re-designation for Central SIN 9226, Gem SIN G8441, and Star SIN S8010.

Technical Data

Approvals
UL and C-UL Listed
FM Approved
VdS Approved
LPCB Certified (Cert. Nos. 094b and 007l)
CE Certified (Certificate of Conformity 1725-CPD-H0010)

Maximum Working Pressure
175 psi (12,1 bar)

Pipe Thread Connections
1 Inch NPT or ISO 7-R 1

Discharge Coefficient
K=25.2 gpm/psi¹⁄² (362.9 lpm/bar¹⁄²)

Temperature Ratings
165°F (74°C) and 212°F (100°C)

Finish
Natural Brass

IMPORTANT
Always refer to Technical Data Sheet TFP700 for the “INSTALLER WARNING” that provides cautions with respect to handling and installation of sprinkler systems and components. Improper handling and installation can permanently damage a sprinkler system or its components and cause the sprinkler to fail to operate in a fire situation or cause it to operate prematurely.
TABLE A
MODEL ESFR-25 PENDENT SPRINKLER
COMMODITY SELECTION AND DESIGN CRITERIA OVERVIEW

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<tr>
<th>Storage Type</th>
<th>NFPA</th>
<th>FM Global</th>
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<td>Open Frame (i.e., no solid shelves) Single, Double, Multiple-Row, or Portable Rack Storage of Class I-IV and Group A or B Plastics</td>
<td>Refer to NFPA 13 Chapters 16 and 17</td>
<td>Refer to FM Global 2-0 and 8-9</td>
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<td>Solid Pile or Palletized Storage of Class I-IV and Group A or B Plastics</td>
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<td>Idle Pallet Storage</td>
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N/A – Not Applicable

FIGURE 1
MODEL ESFR-25 PENDENT SPRINKLER, 25.2K
EARLY SUPPRESSION, FAST RESPONSE
Physical Characteristics
Frame ................................................. Brass
Deflector ............................................ Bronze
Compression Screw ....................... Stainless Steel
Hook ................................................. MONEL
Strut .................................................. MONEL
Link Assembly .......................... Solder, Nickel
Button ................................................. Brass
Sealing Assembly . Beryllium Nickel w/TEFLON
Ejection Spring .......................... INCONEL

**System Type**
- Wet Pipe

**Roof Construction**
Unobstructed or obstructed construction (e.g., smooth ceiling, bar joists, beam and girder, and so forth). Where the depths of the solid structural members (e.g., beams and stem) exceed 12 inches (302 mm), install ESFR Sprinklers in each channel formed by the structural members.

**Ceiling Slope**
Maximum 2 inch rise for 12 inch run (16.7%)

**Maximum Coverage Area**
100 ft² (9.3 m²)

**Minimum Coverage Area**
64 ft² (5.8 m²) per NFPA 13 / FM Global 2-0

**Maximum Spacing**
12 feet (3.7 m) for building heights up to 30 feet (9.1 m)
10 feet (3.1 m) for building heights greater than 30 feet (9.1 m).

**Minimum Spacing**
8 feet (2.4 m)

**Minimum Clearance to Commodity**
36 inches (914 mm)

**NFPA Deflector-to-Ceiling Distance**
6 to 18 inches (152 to 457 mm)

**FM Global Centerline of Thermal Sensing Element-to-Ceiling Distance**
Refer to FM Global 2-0 for Storage Sprinklers.

**Specific Application Listing (UL)**
TYCO Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinklers are listed by Underwriters Laboratories (UL) for Specific Applications with a ceiling height greater than 45 ft. (13.7 m) up to and including 48 ft. (14.6 m), and a storage arrangement up to and including 43 ft. (13.1 m), the following guidelines are provided for the TYCO Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinklers:

**Sprinkler Position**
- Pendent: Frame arms aligned with pipe
- Deflectors parallel with ceiling or roof

**System Type**
- Wet Pipe only

**Maximum Area of Coverage**
100 ft² (9.3 m²)

In some cases, the installation standards permit a greater coverage area.

**Minimum Area of Coverage**
64 ft² (5.8 m²) according to NFPA 13

**Maximum Slope Ceiling**
2 inch rise for 12 inch run (16.7%) on NFPA 13

**Maximum Spacing**
10 feet (3.1 m)

In some cases, the installation standards permit a greater spacing.

**Minimum Spacing**
8 feet (2.4 m)

**Temperature Rating**
165°F (74°C) and 212°F (100°C)

**Deflector Distance from Walls**
Minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) from walls but no more than 1/2 the allowable distance permitted between sprinklers

**Deflector-to Top of Storage**
Minimum of 36 inches (914 mm)

**Deflector-to-Ceiling Distance**
6 to 14 inches (152 to 356 mm)

**Maximum Ceiling Height**
48 feet (14.6 m)

**Maximum Storage Height**
43 feet (13.1 m)

**Storage Arrangement**
Palletized, solid piled, open frame, single row, or double row

**Commodity**
Class I-IV; Cartoned, unexpanded plastic

**Sprinkler System Design**
NFPA 13 for ESFR Sprinklers based upon 45 psi (3.1 bar) design pressure, 169 gpm (640 lpm) with 12 sprinkler remote area

**Minimum Aisle Width**
5 feet (1.5 m)
Installation

TYCO Model ESFR-25 Early Suppression, Fast Response 25.2K Pendent Sprinklers must be installed in accordance with this section.

General Instructions
Damage to the fusible Link Assembly during installation can be avoided by handling the sprinkler by the frame arms only (i.e., do not apply pressure to the fusible Link Assembly), and by using the appropriate sprinkler wrench. Failure to do so can lead to an unstable link assembly and premature activation of the sprinkler. Damaged sprinklers must be replaced.

A leak-tight 1 inch NPT sprinkler joint should be obtained by applying a minimum-to-maximum torque of 20 to 30 lbs.-ft. (26.8 to 40.2 Nm). Higher levels of torque can distort the sprinkler inlet with consequent leakage or impairment of the sprinkler.

Note: Install the Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinkler in the pendent position (Ref. Figure 2).

Step 1. With pipe thread sealant applied, hand-tighten the sprinkler into the sprinkler fitting. Do not apply pressure to the Link Assembly, and handle the Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinkler only by the Frame arms.

Step 2. Wrench-tighten the Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinkler using only the W-Type 1 Sprinkler Wrench (Ref. Figure 2) and by fully engaging (seating) the wrench on the sprinkler wrench flats (Ref. Figure 1).

Step 4. After installation, inspect the Link Assembly of each Model ESFR-25 Pendent Sprinkler for damage. In particular, verify that the Link Assembly and Hook are positioned as illustrated in Figure 1, and that the Link Assembly is not bent, creased, or forced out of normal position in any way. Replace damaged sprinklers.

Care and Maintenance

TYCO Model ESFR-25 Early Suppression, Fast Response 25.2K Pendent Sprinklers must be maintained and serviced in accordance with this section.

Before closing a fire protection system main control valve for maintenance work on the fire protection system that it controls, permission to shut down the affected fire protection system must be obtained from the proper authorities and notify all personnel who may be affected by this action.

Sprinklers which are found to be leaking or exhibiting visible signs of corrosion must be replaced.

Automatic sprinklers must never be painted, plated, coated, or otherwise altered after leaving the factory. Modified sprinklers must be replaced. Sprinklers that have been exposed to corrosive products of combustion, but have not operated, should be replaced if they cannot be completely cleaned by wiping the sprinkler with a cloth or by brushing it with a soft bristle brush.

Care must be exercised to avoid damage to the sprinklers before, during, and after installation. Sprinklers damaged by dropping, striking, wrench twist/slippage, or the like, must be replaced. Also, replace any sprinkler that has a cracked bulb or that has lost liquid from its bulb (Ref. Installation section).

The owner is responsible for the inspection, testing, and maintenance of their fire protection system and devices in compliance with this document, as well as with the applicable standards of the National Fire Protection Association (e.g., NFPA 25), in addition to the standards of any authorities having jurisdiction. Contact the installing contractor or product manufacturer with any questions.

Automatic sprinkler systems are recommended to be inspected, tested, and maintained by a qualified Inspection Service in accordance with local requirements and/or national codes.