

Model ESFR-17 Early Suppression, Fast Response Upright Sprinklers 16.8 K-factor

General Description

The TYCO Model ESFR-17 Upright Sprinklers are “Early Suppression, Fast Response Sprinklers” having a nominal K-factor of 16.8 (Figure 1). They are suppression mode sprinklers that are especially advantageous as a means of eliminating in-rack sprinklers when protecting high-piled storage.

Model ESFR-17 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.
- Cartoned, expanded plastics.
- Some storage arrangements of rubber tires and roll paper.

For more specific criteria, refer to Table 1 in this data sheet as well as the applicable design standard.

The Model ESFR-17 Upright Sprinklers provide the system designer with an upright option to the traditional pendent ESFR Sprinklers. With a K-factor of 16.8, Model ESFR-17 Sprinklers provide system designers with hydraulic and sprinkler placement options not presently available to traditional ESFR Sprinklers having a K-factor of 14.0. In particular, the Model ESFR-17 Upright Sprinklers are designed to operate at substantially lower-end head pressures compared to ESFR Sprinklers with 14.0 K-factors. This feature offers flexibility when

sizing system piping and positioning the system piping with respect to the ceiling.

Applications for the TYCO ESFR Sprinklers are expanding beyond currently recognized installation standards. For information on research fire tests that may be acceptable to an authority having jurisdiction, contact the Technical Services department.

NOTICE

The Model ESFR-17 Upright 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, 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. The installing contractor or sprinkler manufacturer should be contacted with any questions.

In all cases, the appropriate NFPA or FM installation standard must be referenced to ensure applicability and to obtain complete installation guidelines. The general guidelines in this data sheet are not intended to provide complete installation criteria.

Sprinkler Identification Number (SIN)

TY7126

Technical Data

Approvals

FM Approved
CE Certified Certificate of Conformity
1725-CPD-H0012



Maximum Working Pressure
175 psi (12,1 bar)

Pipe Thread Connections
3/4 inch NPT
ISO 7-R3/4

Discharge Coefficient
K = 16.8 GPM/psi^{1/2}
(241,9 LPM/bar^{1/2})

Temperature Ratings
165°F (74°C)
214°F (101°C)

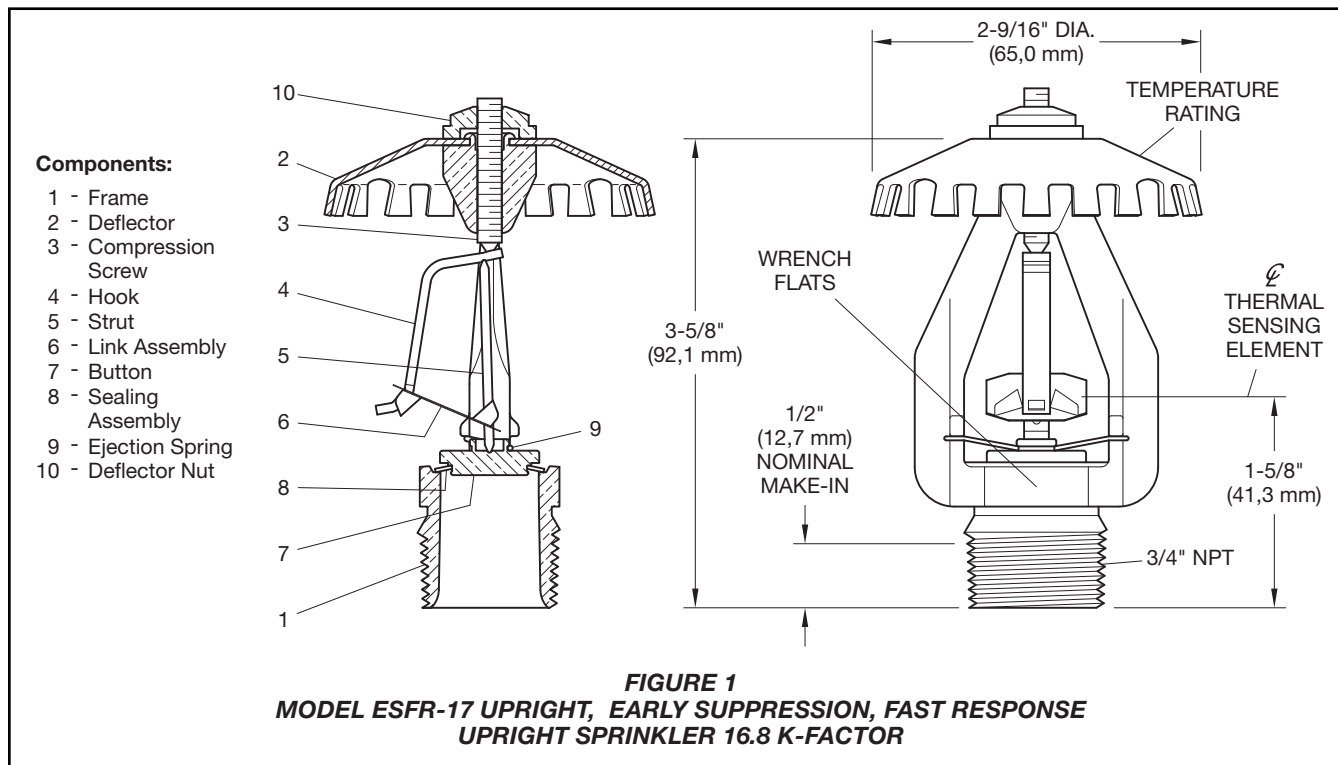
Finish
Natural Brass

Physical Characteristics

Frame	Brass
Deflector	Copper
Compression Screw	Stainless Steel
Hook	Monel
Strut	Monel
Link Assembly	Solder, Nickel
Button	Brass
Sealing Assembly	Beryllium Nickel w/TEFLON
Ejection Spring	Inconel
Deflector Nut	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.



Design Criteria

The following general guidelines provided for the TYCO Model ESFR-17 Upright Sprinklers may be used for quick reference.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and FM Global (FM) provide installation standards that must be used to properly design an automatic sprinkler system utilizing Early Suppression, Fast Response (ESFR) Sprinklers. The guidelines provided by NFPA and FM may differ; consequently, the appropriate standard must be used for a given installation.

In all cases, the appropriate NFPA or FM installation standard must be referenced to ensure applicability and to obtain complete installation guidelines, since the following general guidelines are not intended to provide complete installation criteria.

In addition to this data sheet, the following data sheets describe other TYCO ESFR Sprinklers:

- **TFP312** — Model ESFR-25 (TY9226), K=25.2 Pendent Sprinkler
- **TFP315** — Model ESFR-17 (TY7226), K=16.8 Pendent Sprinkler
- **TFP318** — Model ESFR-1 (TY6226), K=14.0 Pendent Sprinkler

System Type
Wet pipe system

Roof Construction
Unobstructed or obstructed construction; for example, smooth ceiling, bar joists, beam and girder, and so forth.

Where the depths of the solid structural members (beams and stem, for example) 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)

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

Minimum Coverage Area
64 ft² (5,8 m²) per NFPA 13/FM 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 13 — Deflector-to-Ceiling Distance
3 to 12 inches (76 to 305 mm)

FM 2-0
Consult FM and/or FM Guidelines for allowable deflector-to-ceiling distances as well as thermal-sensing element-to-ceiling criteria.

Obstructions Below Upright ESFR Sprinklers, Including Branch Lines
Per the requirements of FM, obstructions below upright ESFR Sprinklers can be ignored as follows:

- Open-web bar joists or trusses having chords no more than 4 inches (102 mm) wide.
- Bridging or wind bracing no more than 4 inches (102 mm) wide.
- Individual pipes and conduit 4 inches (102 mm) diameter or less 3 inch (DN80) pipe size or less will not require sprigs).
- Individual groups of smaller pipe or conduit having a total width of 4 inches or less.

Operation

The fusible link assembly is comprised of two link halves that are joined together by a thin layer of solder. When the rated temperature is reached, the solder melts and the two link halves separate, activating the sprinkler and flowing water.

Storage Type	NFPA	FM
Open Frame (that is, no solid shelves) Single, Double, Multiple-Row, or Portable Rack Storage of Class I-IV and Group A or B Plastics	Refer to NFPA 13, Chapters 16 and 17.	Refer to FM 2-0 and 8-9.
Solid Pile or Palletized Storage of Class I-IV and Group A or B Plastics	Refer to NFPA 13, Chapters 14 and 15.	Refer to FM 2-0 and 8-9.
Idle Pallet Storage	Refer to NFPA 13, Chapter 12.	Refer to FM 2-0, 8-9, and 8-24.
Rubber Tire Storage	Refer to NFPA 13, Chapter 18.	Refer to FM 2-0 and 8-9.
Rolled Paper Storage (Refer to the standard.)	Refer to Chapter 13, Chapter 19.	Refer to FM 8-21.
Flammable Liquid Storage (Refer to the standard.)	N/A	N/A
Aerosol Storage (Refer to the standard.)	N/A	N/A
Automotive Components in Portable Racks (Control mode only; refer to the standard.)	N/A	N/A

N/A = Non-Applicable

TABLE 1
MODEL ESFR-17 UPRIGHT SPRINKLERS
COMMODITY SELECTION AND DESIGN CRITERIA OVERVIEW

Installation

The TYCO Model ESFR-17 Upright Sprinklers must be installed in accordance with this section.

General Instructions

Avoid damage to the fusible Link Assembly during installation by using the Frame arms only to handle the sprinkler (that is, 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.

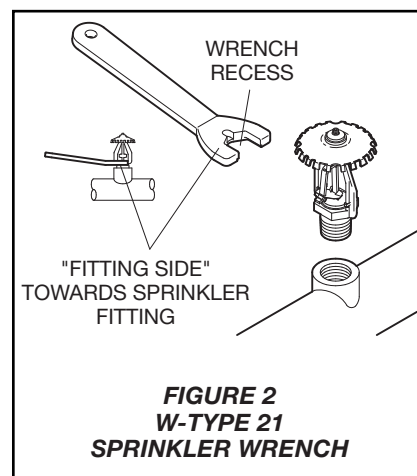
A leak-tight 3/4 inch NPT sprinkler joint should be obtained by applying a minimum-to-maximum torque of 10 to 20 ft./lbs. (13,4 to 26,8 Nm). Higher levels of torque can distort the sprinkler inlet with consequent leakage or impairment of the sprinkler.

Step 1. Install the Model ESFR-17 Upright Sprinkler in the Upright position (Figure 2).

Step 2. 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-17 Sprinkler only by the Frame arms.

Step 3. Wrench-tighten the Model ESFR-17 Upright Sprinkler using only the W-Type 21 Sprinkler Wrench (Figure 2) and by fully engaging (seating) the wrench on the sprinkler wrench flats (Figure 1).

Step 4. After installation, inspect the Link Assembly of each Model ESFR-17 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

The TYCO Model ESFR-17 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 sprinkler manufacturer regarding 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.

Ordering Procedure

Contact your local distributor for availability. When placing an order, indicate the full product name and Part Number (P/N).

Sprinkler Assemblies

Specify: Model ESFR-17 (TY7126), K=16.8, Early Suppression, Fast Response Upright Sprinkler with (specify) temperature rating, natural brass, P/N (specify).

165°F (74°C) P/N 58-447-1-165
214°F (101°C) P/N 58-447-1-214

Special-Order Sprinkler Assemblies with ISO 7/1 Thread Connections

Specify: Model ESFR-17 (TY7126), K=16.8, Early Suppression, Fast Response Upright Sprinkler with ISO 7/1 thread connection, (specify) temperature rating, natural brass, P/N (specify).

165°F (74°C) P/N 58-448-1-165
214°F (101°C) P/N 58-448-1-214

Sprinkler Wrench

Specify: W-Type 21 Sprinkler Wrench, P/N 56-001-0-686.