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Uponor AquaSAFE™ First PEX Fire Sprinkler System to Receive Exposed Listing

A first in the PEX industry, Uponor's AquaSAFE™ residential fire sprinkler system is now approved for use in exposed applications. [Uponor's listing](#) to UL 1821, *Thermoplastic Sprinkler Pipe and Fittings for Fire Protection Service*, now approves (with certain limitations) the use of flexible Uponor AquaPEX® tubing and ProPEX® expansion fittings in unfinished basements with dimensional lumber, engineered wood, wood I-joists and open-web wood joists (wood floor trusses) in accordance with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 13D standard.



Uponor's AquaSAFE™ fire sprinkler system features flexible, durable Uponor AquaPEX® tubing and ProPEX® expansion fittings.

"Many builders are now installing fire sprinklers to address the International Residential Code requirements for protection of lightweight construction," says [Eric Skare](#), product manager, Fire Safety. "With this new listing, an Uponor AquaSAFE system now provides the ideal solution for these unfinished basement applications."

Uponor AquaSAFE systems can be installed in multipurpose (combined cold-water plumbing and fire sprinklers) or standalone (fire sprinklers only) configurations, providing flexibility in design and ease of installation.

“This listing further solidifies Uponor’s commitment to the fire sprinkler industry, and we will continue to explore opportunities that will allow us to offer residential fire sprinklers as a viable life-safety solution for homeowners and homebuilders,” says Skare.

Uponor, Inc. is an award-winning provider of plumbing, fire safety, radiant heating/cooling, hydronic piping and pre-insulated piping systems for residential and commercial applications. In 2014, the company received a Best-in-Class award for Minnesota manufacturing, a Community Impact Award for sustainability, and a Progress Minnesota award for driving business growth and economic development. The company was also named a Top 100 Workplace by the Minneapolis Star Tribune. Uponor, Inc. employs around 500 people at its North American headquarters in Apple Valley, Minn.

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