

What are these and why are they important?

CU Boulder has fire suppression systems throughout buildings to reduce injury and property damage from fires. Proper work procedures need to be used around fire suppression systems to ensure the system works as intended. Improper use of the sprinkler heads and pipes can cause unintended activation of the system, which will result in flooding of the area. Flooding will cause unnecessary and costly building damage and repairs.

What do you need to know?

- Never hang tools, clothing, or equipment on sprinkler pipes or heads. Accidental activation causes massive property damage and expensive repairs.
- Be cautious when moving long or tall objects near sprinkler heads or pipes. Hitting the pipe or sprinkler head could cause accidental activation.
- Always keep a minimum of 18 inches of clearance below fire sprinkler heads. Stacking materials too close blocks the water spray pattern.
- Do not paint or modify sprinkler heads.
- Report damaged or leaking sprinkler heads/pipes.

