[F] 915.5.3 Combination detectors. Combination carbon monoxide/smoke detectors installed in carbon monoxide detection systems shall be an acceptable alternative to carbon monoxide detectors, provided that they are listed in accordance with UL 2075 and UL 268.

[F] 915.6 Maintenance. Carbon monoxide alarms and carbon monoxide detection systems shall be maintained in accordance with the *International Fire Code*.

SECTION 916 GAS DETECTION SYSTEMS

- **[F] 916.1 Gas detection systems.** Gas detection systems required by this code shall comply with Sections 916.2 through 916.11.
- **[F] 916.2 Permits.** Permits shall be required as set forth in Section 105.7.11 of the *International Fire Code*.
 - **[F] 916.2.1 Construction documents.** Documentation of the gas detection system design and equipment to be used that demonstrates compliance with the requirements of this code shall be provided with the application for permit.
- **[F] 916.3 Equipment.** Gas detection system equipment shall be designed for use with the gases being detected and shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- **[F] 916.4 Power connections.** Gas detection systems shall be permanently connected to the building electrical power supply or shall be permitted to be cord connected to an unswitched receptacle using an *approved* restraining means that secures the plug to the receptacle.
- **[F] 916.5 Emergency and standby power.** Standby or emergency power shall be provided or the gas detection system shall initiate a trouble signal at an *approved* location if the power supply is interrupted.
- **[F] 916.6 Sensor locations.** Sensors shall be installed in approved locations where leaking gases are expected to accumulate.
- **[F] 916.7 Gas sampling.** Gas sampling shall be performed continuously. Sample analysis shall be processed immediately after sampling, except as follows:
 - 1. For HPM gases, sample analysis shall be performed at intervals not exceeding 30 minutes.
 - 2. For toxic gases, sample analysis shall be performed at intervals not exceeding 5 minutes in accordance with Section 6004.2.2.7 of the *International Fire Code*.
 - 3. Where a less frequent or delayed sampling interval is *approved*.
- **[F] 916.8 System activation.** A gas detection alarm shall be initiated where any sensor detects a concentration of gas exceeding the following thresholds:
 - 1. For flammable gases, a gas concentration exceeding 25 percent of the lower flammability limit (LFL).
 - 2. For nonflammable gases, a gas concentration exceeding one-half of the IDLH, unless a different threshold is specified by the section of this code requiring a gas detection system.

Upon activation of a gas detection alarm, alarm signals or other required responses shall be as specified by the section of this code requiring a gas detection system. Audible and visible alarm signals associated with a gas detection alarm shall be distinct from fire alarm and carbon monoxide alarm signals.

- **[F] 916.9 Signage.** Signs shall be provided adjacent to gas detection system alarm signaling devices that advise occupants of the nature of the signals and actions to take in response to the signal.
- **[F] 916.10 Fire alarm system connections.** Gas sensors and gas detection systems shall not be connected to fire alarm systems unless approved and connected in accordance with the fire alarm equipment manufacturer's instructions.
- **[F] 916.11 Inspection, testing and sensor calibration.** Gas detection systems and sensors shall be inspected, tested and calibrated in accordance with the *International Fire Code*.

SECTION 917 MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEMS

[F] 917.1 College and university campuses. Prior to construction of a new building requiring a fire alarm system on a multiple-building college or university campus having a cumulative building occupant load of 1,000 or more, a mass notification risk analysis shall be conducted in accordance with NFPA 72. Where the risk analysis determines a need for mass notification, an *approved* mass notification system shall be provided in accordance with the findings of the risk analysis.

SECTION 918 EMERGENCY RESPONDER RADIO COVERAGE

[F] 918.1 General. Emergency responder radio coverage shall be provided in all new buildings in accordance with Section 510 of the *International Fire Code*.

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