

## 1.2. Voice Alarm

### 1.2.1. Voice Evacuation System/ Voice Alarm Communication System (EVC)

Dedicated manual or automatic equipment for originating and distributing voice instructions, as well as alert and evacuation signals pertaining to a fire emergency, to the occupants of building .

### 1.2.2. Public Address System

An electronic amplification system with a mixer, amplifier, and loudspeakers, used to reinforce a given sound and distributing the “sound” to the general public around a building.

### 1.2.3. Emergency Communication System

A system for the protection of life by indicating the existence of an emergency situation and communicating information necessary to facilitate an appropriate response and action, such as evacuation.

### 1.2.4. One-way Emergency Communication System

One-way emergency communications systems are intended to broadcast information, in an emergency, to people in one or more specified indoor or outdoor areas. It is intended that emergency messages be conveyed either by audible, visible, or textual means, or any combination thereof.

### 1.2.5. Two-way Emergency Communication System

Two-way emergency communications systems are divided into two categories, those systems that are anticipated to be used by building occupants and those systems that are to be used by fire fighters, police, and other emergency services personnel. Two-way emergency communications systems are used to both exchange information and to communicate information such as, but not limited to, instructions, acknowledgement of receipt of messages, condition of local environment, and condition of persons, and to give assurance that help is on the way .

### 1.2.6. Mass Notification System

A system used to provide information and instructions to people in a building(s) or other space using intelligible voice communications and including visible signals, text, graphics, tactile, or other communication methods.

### 1.2.7. Auxiliary Alarm Box

An alarm box that can only be operated from one or more remote initiating devices or an auxiliary alarm system used to send an alarm to the communications center

### 1.2.8. Manual Fire Alarm Box

A manually operated device used to initiate a fire alarm signal

### 1.2.9. Alert Tone

An attention-getting signal to alert occupants of the pending transmission of a voice message