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### Memorandum

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TO: SFM Inspectors

FROM: Bureau Chief Ruiz

SUBJECT: Remote Inspections

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## Nevada State Fire Marshal Video Inspection Guidelines

During this time of crisis, the Nevada State Fire Marshal will offer video inspections at the discretion of the inspectors. Because the safety and health of the public and our own staff is of utmost concern, there will be instances where remote inspections may prove to be a better alternative. Inspection requests will continue to be received and forwarded to the appropriate regional inspectors who in turn may offer a video inspection based on the scope, complexity and size of the inspection. As inspection requests are received, inspectors shall make contact with the facility in question and discuss the scope of the inspection and determine if a remote inspection will suffice without compromising the efficiency of a real time inspection. At no time will an inspector enter an environment that would put himself or the occupants at risk of exposure. In the event a remote video inspection is not a suitable alternative and the inspection may not be conducted without posing a health risk, the inspection will be suspended until a more suitable time.

It should be understood that the remote video inspection must be agreed upon by both entities with the SFM having final say. The method of video inspection must also be agreed upon by both entities and again the SFM will have final say. State issued cell phones if provided will be a viable option. If a cell phone has not been issued to you, you may choose to use your personal phone or other appropriate device without expectation of compensation. Documentation for remote inspections will be forwarded via email to both the applicant and SFM administration. Documentation will be clearly marked indicating a remote inspection was conducted.

The following inspections are eligible for remote video inspection:

1. Building Final
2. Underground
3. Fire alarm (approximately 20 devices)
4. Sprinkler final (within reason)
5. Group care