

# PASSIVE FIRE PROTECTION FOR HOSPITALS

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Hospitals carry an unusual fire risk: high oxygen concentrations, dense alcohol-based product storage, 24x7 occupancy, and patients who often cannot evacuate themselves. This application sheet maps every fire-critical zone in a hospital — from the substation to the mortuary — and matches each to the Stanvac Passive Fire Protection product that addresses it. Use it as a reference for design, specification, BOQ and audit.

## A. PATIENT-CRITICAL CLINICAL AREAS

8 zones

ZONE / AREA	FIRE SCENARIO	STANVAC PFP APPLICATION	PRIORITY
ICU / NICU / PICU	Oxygen-enriched, non-evacuable patients on life support	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops, FR doors	Non-negotiable
Operating Theatre complex	Anaesthetic gases, high alcohol load, power-critical	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops at OT boundary	Non-negotiable
Dialysis unit	Patients connected to machines; cannot evacuate quickly	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops	Critical
Cath lab / Endoscopy / Cardiac OT	High-value equipment; sedated patients	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops	Critical
Recovery & post-op wards	Sedated patients with limited mobility	Firestops at ward boundary, FR doors, panel FP	Critical
Isolation & infectious-disease wards	Closed-environment; evacuation triggers cross-infection	Cable coatings, firestops, FR doors	Critical
Emergency / Trauma / Casualty	24x7 high-load; patients on stretchers and ventilators	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops	Critical
Labour & delivery suite	Mothers and newborns; cannot evacuate during procedure	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP	Critical

## B. ELECTRICAL & POWER INFRASTRUCTURE

12 zones

ZONE / AREA	FIRE SCENARIO	STANVAC PFP APPLICATION	PRIORITY
Main LT / HT substation	Transformer + cable fire	Cable coatings, firestops, panel FP	Critical
Floor-wise distribution panels	Cable + compartment breach	Panel FP, firestops	Critical
OT / ICU dedicated electrical panels	Must not lose power during fire	Panel FP, cable coatings, firestops	Critical
UPS & battery rooms	Thermal runaway, hydrogen build-up	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP	Critical
DG (Diesel Generator) rooms	Fuel + lube oil fire	Panel FP, firestops, cable coatings	Critical
Cable risers / electrical shafts	Propagating cable fire between floors	Cable coatings + slab firestops at each floor	Critical
HVAC AHU / chiller control panels	Cable + duct fire propagation	Panel FP, firestops	Critical

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BMS / fire alarm central panel	External fire damages emergency systems	Panel FP, firestops, FR doors	Critical
Fire water pump house	Must survive the fire it is fighting	Fireproofed structure, FR cables	Non-negotiable
Firemen's lift power circuit	Must operate 2 hr minimum during fire	Fire-survival cable, panel FP	Non-negotiable
Smoke extraction & stairwell pressurization fans	Fans must run during fire	Fire-survival cable, panel FP	Non-negotiable
PA / emergency voice communication	Hospital-wide evacuation announcement	Fire-survival cable, firestops	Non-negotiable

### C. MEDICAL GAS & FLAMMABLE STORAGE

7 zones

ZONE / AREA	FIRE SCENARIO	STANVAC PFP APPLICATION	PRIORITY
Central oxygen manifold room	Oxygen-enrichment fire is catastrophic	Panel FP, firestops, FR doors, cable coatings	Non-negotiable
Bulk LMO (Liquid Medical Oxygen) tank yard	External fire near cryogenic tank	Fireproofed cable routes, structural FP	Non-negotiable
Medical gas pipeline shafts	Pipe-shaft fire compromises supply to all wards	Firestops at every floor, cable coatings	Critical
Medical gas alarm & control panels	Loss of monitoring during fire	Panel FP, fire-survival cable	Critical
Alcohol & disinfectant bulk storage	Vapour-rich flammable store	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP at boundary	Critical
Compressed-gas cylinder store	Cylinder rupture during fire	Structural FP, firestops, FR doors	Critical
Vacuum / suction plant room	Electrical + oil-vapour fire	Panel FP, firestops, cable coatings	Critical

### D. SUPPORT SERVICES & UTILITY AREAS

6 zones

ZONE / AREA	FIRE SCENARIO	STANVAC PFP APPLICATION	PRIORITY
Central kitchen	Cooking oil + LPG, high ignition frequency	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP, kitchen duct PFP	Critical
Hospital laundry	Lint-loaded dryers; chemical & detergent storage	Firestops, FR doors, cable coatings	Critical
CSSD (Central Sterile Services Department)	Autoclaves; ethylene-oxide sterilizers	Firestops, panel FP, FR doors	Critical
Linen & material storage	Heavy combustible load	Firestops at boundary, FR doors	High
Hospital pharmacy & drug store	High-value combustible inventory; alcohol-based formulations	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP	Critical
Hospital waste / bio-medical waste store	Combustible PPE, plastics, sharps containers	Firestops, FR doors at segregation boundary	High

### E. RECORDS, MORTUARY & ARCHIVAL AREAS

7 zones

ZONE / AREA	FIRE SCENARIO	STANVAC PFP APPLICATION	PRIORITY
Medical records room (paper archive)	Dense paper load; total compartment loss in <10 min	Firestops at boundary, FR doors, panel FP	Critical
Digital records / server / data centre	Electrical fire destroys patient histories	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops, FR doors	Critical
X-ray / radiology film archive	Legacy nitrate / acetate film is highly combustible	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP	Critical
Mortuary cold storage	Refrigeration compressor fire damages bodies in custody	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops	Critical
Mortuary post-mortem & embalming room	Formaldehyde, alcohol, electrical equipment	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP	Critical
Blood bank & blood storage	Loss of refrigeration during fire destroys irreplaceable units	Cable coatings, panel FP, firestops	Critical
Pathology lab & sample archive	Solvents, reagents, electrical equipment	Firestops, FR doors, panel FP	Critical

## F. COMPARTMENTATION & STRUCTURAL FIRESTOPS

9 zones

ZONE / AREA	FIRE SCENARIO	STANVAC PFP APPLICATION	PRIORITY
Every floor slab — cable, pipe, duct penetrations	Vertical fire spread between floors	Slab firestops at each floor in every shaft	Critical
OT complex boundary	Smoke ingress into operating zone	Cable & duct penetrations, 2-hr firestops	Critical
ICU / NICU boundary	Smoke ingress to non-evacuable area	Cable & duct penetrations, 2-hr firestops	Critical
Ward corridor compartment walls	Loss of NBC 2016 Part 4 compartmentation	Firestop sealants, FR collars at all penetrations	Critical
HVAC duct penetrations across fire zones	Smoke and flame travel via ducting	Fire dampers + intumescent collar seals	Critical
Lift shaft boundary	Lift shaft acts as chimney	Cable & duct penetrations, 2-hr firestops	Critical
Evacuation staircase pressurization shaft	Smoke contamination of escape route	Duct & cable penetrations, 2-hr firestops	Non-negotiable
Basement car park slab penetrations	Vehicle fire breaching into upper floors	Every cable, pipe and duct penetration	Critical
Hospital external curtain wall to slab edge	Vertical flame travel up the facade	Perimeter firestop systems	Critical

### THE FOUR STANVAC PRODUCT LINES THAT DELIVER ALL OF THIS

<b>CABLE COATINGS</b> Fire propagation prevention + 240-min circuit survivability. IEC 60332-3 / IEC 60331-21.	<b>PANEL FIREPROOFING</b> 2-hr rated sealants, intumescent paint, aerosol coatings. UL 1479 / IS 12458.	<b>FIRESTOPS</b> Hybrid mineral wool + firestop mortar. 2-hr rated. UL 1479 / ASTM E814.	<b>FIRE-RATED DOORS</b> 60–120 min rated; OT, ICU, server, mortuary, manifold rooms.
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**COMPANION ADVISORY DOCUMENTS — AVAILABLE ON REQUEST**

***“Hospitals: The Cruellest Fire Geography on Earth”*** — a one-page perspective on why hospital fires are structurally different.

***“What Happens After: The Legal Reality of an Indian Hospital Fire”*** — a factual note on accountability under BNS 105 and 106.

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