

# fire formal interpretations

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NZS 4512:2010 *Fire Detection and Alarm Systems in Buildings* – Clause 210.5.1

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## Question:

(1) Is it acceptable for the indicators on indicating units to be set out horizontally?

(2) Is it acceptable for a single dual-colour indicator to indicate both common Defect and common Normal conditions?

## Interpretation issued by the Alarms and detection group/Fixed fire protection group:

(1) Yes. The standard does not prohibit this.

A horizontal arrangement is common practice both internationally and also on a variety of indicating units sold historically in New Zealand.

(2) No. Separate indicators are required for common Defect and common Normal conditions.