



## California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Additions to an existing fire alarm panel		
Code Section(s)	2016 CBC §907.1.3		
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### **Question:**

Consider the following: An existing building has an existing fire alarm control panel. The panel was listed at the time of the installation, but the California State Fire Marshal's [CSFM] listing has expired. In a small tenant improvement, devices with current CSFM listings and compatibility listings need to be added to the existing panel.

Does section 907.1.3 of the 2013 and 2016 California Fire Code prohibit adding the devices to the existing fire alarm control panel because the panel does not have a current CSFM listing?

### **NO**

If the fire alarm panel was listed at the time of installation and is not being replaced, the panel can still be used if it is capable of handling additional components. However, the components to be added to the existing system must be CSFM listed and approved for use with that fire alarm panel.