



## Field Labeling FAQs

### Are you missing fire door/frame labels?

Are you responsible for meeting building code requirements for fire doors, fire door frames and/or protective plates in buildings open and accessible to the public? If so, you probably are aware that missing labels are a code violation. Field Labeling Evaluations are a cost-effective way to take care of the problem. Here are the most commonly asked questions about field labeling evaluations and how it meets code requirements. If you have any additional questions or would like a quote, please contact our Field Labeling Division at 888-680-7974 ext.407.

### Q. Why is field labeling necessary?

A. To ensure fire door assemblies ("opening protectives") meet building code requirements for fire and smoke protection in buildings open and accessible to the public.

### Q. Is there a required annual review of fire door assemblies? What governs that review?

A. Yes. NFPA 80 is a maintenance Standard that lists and explains building code violations that must be addressed to maintain a certification of occupancy for buildings open and accessible to the general public.

### Q. What building code (or codes) is used?

A. The normative document that forms the basis for most building codes at all levels is the international Building Code (IBC). It contains the basic general requirements for product and construction fire safety in buildings open and accessible to the public.

### Q. What are the basic requirements cited in the IBC for placing a timed fire-rated endurance label on the major components of the door assembly - door, door frame, protective plates?

A. The label must be issued by an appropriately accredited fire testing laboratory, and it must show the fire testing standards to which the door assembly was tested. The IBC approved fire testing standards are: UL 10B, UL 10C, NFPA 252 for doors, subject UL 63 for frames.

### Q. Does GFTLI meet the IBC requirements?

A. Yes. We are accredited to: ISO 17025 Testing; 17020 Inspection; 17065 Product Certification by ANAB/ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board.

### Q. Who determines the acceptability of a label?

A. Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJs) decide whether or not a label is acceptable.

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