



Tentative Interim Amendment

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Reference: 3.3.157, A.3.3.157, Figure A.3.3.157, 3.3.x Auxiliary Service Provider (ASP) (new), and 26.2.11 through 26.2.11.4

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1. Delete 3.3.157, A.3.3.157, and Figure A.3.3.157 as follows:

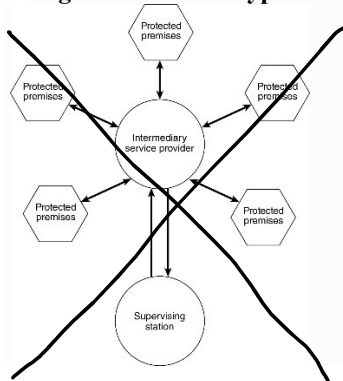
3.3.157* Intermediary Service Provider. An entity that receives fire alarm system signals from a protected premises for the purpose of retransmitting the signals to the supervising station and for other business purposes. (SIG-SSS)

A.3.3.157 Intermediary Service Provider. The following are examples of services provided by an intermediary service provider:

- (1) Signals from a protected premises traverse a path through a communications channel(s) to the intermediary service provider's network servers, which automatically retransmit signals through the communications channel(s) to the responsible supervising station.
- (2) The intermediary service provider provides supervision of the connection between itself, the protected premises, and the supervising station.
- (3) The receipt of an alarm by an intermediary service provider signal triggers the following:
 - (a) Immediate retransmission of the signal to the supervising station
 - (b) Delivery of services not required by this code, such as notification to a list of supplemental contacts specified by the fire alarm system owner or predictive maintenance analytics

Figure A.3.3.157 depicts the location of an intermediary service provider in the communications cloud relative to a protected premises and a supervising station. (SIG-SSS)

Figure A.3.3.157 Typical Intermediary Service Provider Concept.



~~A.26.2.11.2.1 Intermediary service providers~~ ASPs can use one or more communications pathways between a fire alarm system installed at a protected premises and its own facility(ies), and between its own facility(ies) and the supervising station. Permitted pathways can include those cited in 26.6.3, 26.6.4, or 26.6.5.

~~26.2.11.2.2 Failure of any communication pathway between the ASP and the supervising station shall be annunciated at the responsible supervising station and the ASP within 90 seconds.~~

~~26.2.11.2.3 Failure to complete a signal transmission shall be annunciated at the protected premises. All alarm, supervisory, and trouble signals from fire alarm systems received by an ASP shall be electronically retransmitted, without delay, to the supervising station responsible for acknowledgement and signal processing in accordance with Section 26.6.~~

~~26.2.11.2.4 All alarm, trouble, and supervisory signals from fire alarm systems received by an intermediary service provider shall be electronically retransmitted, without delay, to the supervising station responsible for acknowledgement and signal dispositioning. Where used, an ASP shall be approved.~~

~~26.2.11.2.5 Routine retransmission of signals from the protected premises to their destination supervising station shall comply with 26.4.4.4, 26.6.3.3, and 26.6.3.4. The supervising station, building owner, and AHJ shall be notified in writing of the use or change of an ASP within 30 calendar days.~~

~~26.2.11.2.6 The ASP shall retain records of all signals received and sent for at least 1 year.~~

~~26.2.11.2.7 The requirements of Chapters 7, 10, 12, and 14 shall apply unless otherwise noted in this chapter.~~

~~26.2.11.3 All elements of fire alarm service required by this section shall be provided by a company that has a listing covering these elements.~~

~~26.2.11.3.4 Intermediary service provider~~ ASP facilities that support the delivery of signals to a supervising station from a protected premises fire alarm system installed in accordance with this Code shall conform to the construction, fire protection, physical security, cybersecurity, emergency lighting, power, communications infrastructure, and service resiliency requirements ~~for intermediary service providers~~ contained in UL 827, *Central-Station Alarm Services*.

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