Alarm Audibility

Section: 907.5.2.1

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Question:
Do the private mode alarm audibility levels identified in NFPA 72 supercede the audibility levels identified in Section 907.5.2.1?

Answer:
No. When the code conflicts with a referenced standard, the code is used in accordance with Section 102.6 of the North Carolina Fire Prevention Code.

It should be noted that the exception to Section 907.5.2.1 allows the audible notification devices to be replaced with visible notification devices in Group I-2 (hospital) critical care areas.