

POLICE DEPARTMENT
HARRY E. MARSHALL, Chief of Police

Dear Alarm User:

Enclosed is a copy of the form for the registration and application to install and operate a private alarm system (residential & commercial) within the Township of East Windsor.

*Also enclosed is a copy of East Windsor Township Ordinance #1995-6 regulating private alarm systems. Please review the regulations carefully and then complete the enclosed registration form. **Return the completed two-sided form with the required twenty-five (\$25.00) dollar registration fee (check or money order) to:***

**East Windsor Township Police Department
c/o Support Services, Alarm Registration
80 One Mile Road, East Windsor, New Jersey 08520.**

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at my office.

Sincerely,

*Lt. James Geary
Uniform Services Administrative Commander
609-448-5678 ext 221*

ORDINANCE 1987- 3
TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR
COUNTY OF MERCER

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER VI - LICENSING - OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR TO REGULATE THE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF PRIVATE ALARM SYSTEMS BY REQUIRING REGISTRATION ESTABLISHING STANDARDS AND SETTING PENALTIES

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Chapter VI of the Revised General Ordinances is hereby supplemented by adding the following new section:

6-10 Private Alarm Systems.

6-10.1 Definitions. As used in this section:

a. "Alarm Business" shall mean a business operated for profit which engages in the activity of altering, installing, leasing, maintaining, repairing, replacing, selling, servicing or responding to a fire or burglar alarm system, or which causes any of these activities to take place. Excluded from this definition are the retail establishments which sell alarm systems over the counter and do not service them, and homeowners or developers who sell an alarm system as part of a sale or transfer of a residential or commercial unit.

b. "Alarm Device" shall mean any type of alarm-activating equipment which provides warning of burglary, intrusion, fire, flood or other hazard potentially harmful to life or property.

c. "Alarm System" shall mean one or more alarm devices installed in a building or structure for the express purpose of giving visual, audible and/or electronic warning of burglary, intrusion, fire, flood or other hazard potentially harmful to life or property.

d. "Alarm System User" shall mean any person in control of any building or structure wherein an alarm system is operated.

e. "False Alarm" shall mean an alarm signal eliciting a response by police or fire fighters or other public officials when a situation requiring a response by police or fire fighters or other public officials does not in fact exist. This shall not include an alarm signal caused by violent conditions of nature, such as, but not limited to lightning, tornadoes, hurricanes, or other extraordinary circumstances not reasonably subject to control by the alarm business or alarm system user.

f. "Independent Smoke/Fire Detector" shall mean a device giving an audible alarm indicating smoke and/or fire within a structure and not connected to an alarm system or to any external warning device.

6-10.2 Registration and License Required. No person shall install or operate an alarm system unless the alarm system has been registered and a license has been obtained.

6-10.3 Registration and Application for License. Application for a license to install or operate an alarm system shall be made to the township clerk on forms provided by the clerk. In addition to the information required in subsection 6-1.4, the application shall contain the following information:

a. Name, address and telephone number of the owner or manager of the property upon which the alarm system is to be

installed or operated.

b. List of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of person(s) to be contacted in the event of an alarm or an emergency.

c. Type of alarm system and a description of the system's operation.

d. Name, address and telephone number of the person installing the alarm system.

e. Name, address and telephone number of the person maintaining the alarm system.

All existing alarm systems shall comply with the requirements of this section within ninety (90) days of the date of final adoption of this Ordinance.

6-10.4 Fees. A fee of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars shall accompany the application for each alarm system.

6-10.5 Expiration and Renewal. No further registration or licenser renewal shall be required unless there is a material change in the information previously submitted in the application, in which case the alarm system user, within ten days of such material change, shall file a new application and application fee.

6-10.6 General Regulations.

a. Each alarm system shall be installed utilizing discrete circuitry for multi-purpose alarm systems to insure appropriate emergency response.

b. Any alarm system which requires for its operation electricity supplied by a public utility may be equipped with a battery rendering it operable in the event of a power outage. A battery backup system shall be required for any alarm system which will trigger itself automatically in the event of a power

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fluctuation, surge or outage.

c. All burglar alarm systems must be provided with a device which will automatically shut off the alarm after fifteen (15) minutes of activation.

d. All burglar alarm systems not fitted with an external key switch shall be equipped with a time delay of at least fifteen (15) seconds which may include an audible signal of the same length of time. The fifteen second signal, if used, shall be audible only within the structure and not externally.

e. No person shall install, cause to be installed or permit to be installed any/burglar alarm device, by whatever name known, which automatically selects a telephone line dedicated to the police department or fire department for the purpose of playing a recorded message to report any emergency.

f. If an alarm system, other than a fire or burglar alarm system, is tied into and/or serviced by a central station or answering service, upon activation of said alarm system, the central station or answering service shall verify the validity of the alarm prior to notifying the police department of same.

g. Fire alarm systems shall be reset only with the authorization of the fire department and in the presence of fire department officials. The police department shall not be responsible for resetting burglar alarm systems.

h. No alarm business or person owning, using or possessing an alarm system shall cause or permit the giving of repeated false alarms, whether intentional or accidental.

i. An alarm business shall be responsible for notifying the police department when one of its customers using or possessing an alarm system sells his property. The alarm business

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shall notify the police department as to the name of the new owner and whether or not the new owner is continuing with an alarm device or system within the property.

6-10.7 Exception. This section shall not apply to any alarm system installed on property occupied by the township, county, state or federal government, to an independent fire or smoke detector as defined in paragraph 6-10.1f or to any medical alert system.

6-10.8 Penalties.

a. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be subject to a minimum fine of \$50.00 and may be required to remove the alarm system.

b. Any owner or user of an alarm system which experiences more than four (4) false alarms within any calendar year shall be subject to a minimum fine of \$100.00 for each false alarm after four (4) in any calendar year and shall be required to modify or improve the alarm system to prevent accidental activation.

c. Any owner or user of an alarm system which experiences more than twelve (12) false alarms in any calendar year shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$500.00 nor more than \$1,000.00 and shall disconnect the alarm system until a statement is provided from those that service the alarm system that the malfunction has been corrected.

d. Any false alarms which occur during the first sixty (60) days after an alarm system is initially installed shall not be counted toward the number of false alarms as provided for in this subsection.

2. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final passage and publication according to law.

ATTEST:


ELIZABETH G. NOLAN
Municipal Clerk


BARBARA MANSSEAU
Mayor

ADOPTED: Feb 10, 1987

ORDINANCE NO. 1995-6

EAST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP

MERCER COUNTY

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND
SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER VI
"LICENSING", SECTION 6-10
"PRIVATE ALARM SYSTEMS",
SUBSECTION 6-10.3
"REGISTRATION AND APPLICATION
FOR LICENSE" OF THE REVISED
GENERAL CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF EAST WINDSOR

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, County of Mercer and State of New Jersey that Chapter VI "Licensing", Section 6-10 "Private Alarm Systems", Subsection 6-10.3 "Registration and Application for License" be and is hereby amended as follows (additions have been underlined and deletions are in [brackets]):

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Section 6-10.3 Registration and Application for License. Application for a license to install or operate an alarm system shall be made to the [township clerk] township police department and on forms provided by the [clerk] township police department. In addition to the information required in subsection 6-1.4, the application shall contain the following information:

a. through e. No change.

[All existing alarm systems shall comply with the requirements of this section within 90 days of the date of final adoption of this section.]

II

SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

III

REPEAL.

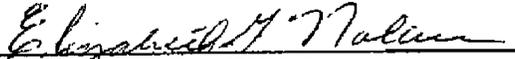
All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

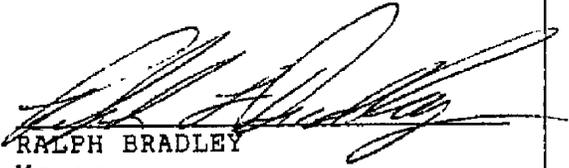
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EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption and approval.

ATTEST:


ELIZABETH G. NOLAN
Municipal Clerk


RALPH BRADLEY
Mayor

Adopted: *March 14, 1995*



Township of East Windsor

REGISTRATION AND APPLICATION TO INSTALL AND OPERATE PRIVATE ALARM SYSTEM

File with the Services Division, East Windsor Township Police Department, 80 One Mile Road, East Windsor, NJ 08520.

A fee of \$25.00 shall accompany the application for each alarm system. No further registration or renewal is required unless there is a material change in information submitted. Within ten (10) days of any material change, the alarm system user shall file a new application and pay the application fee.

Complete **BOTH** sides of this application. Please **TYPE** or **PRINT CLEARLY**.

APPLICANT INFORMATION			
NAME OF APPLICANT (IF BUSINESS, LIST BUSINESS NAME)		PHONE NUMBER	
ADDRESS OF APPLICANT			
Has applicant ever been convicted of a crime?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Has applicant ever been convicted of the violation of any municipal ordinance, other than traffic offenses?		<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
<i>If answer is YES to either of the above questions, give date and place of conviction, nature of the offense and punishment or penalty imposed (use back of this application)</i>			
BUSINESS INFORMATION			
COMMON NAME OF BUSINESS			
OWNER/MANAGER NAME		HOME PHONE	
ADDRESS OF OWNER/MANAGER			
Please fill out ONLY if applicant is a corporation:			
CORPORATE INFORMATION			
NAME OF REGISTERED AGENT		PHONE NUMBER	
ADDRESS OF REGISTERED AGENT			
FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY			
LICENSE # ISSUED	DATE FILED	AMOUNT PAID	Distribution: EWPD Services Division (1)

Please list emergency contacts (other than the owner) in the order they are to be called.

NOTE: In the event of an alarm where a keyholder is required, we will try contacting the owner first. If the owner cannot be reached we will attempt to contact the persons listed below. We will try the first person listed and continue calling each person until someone is reached.

FIRST EMERGENCY CONTACT	
NAME	HOME PHONE
ADDRESS	WORK PHONE

SECOND EMERGENCY CONTACT	
NAME	HOME PHONE
ADDRESS	WORK PHONE

THIRD EMERGENCY CONTACT	
NAME	HOME PHONE
ADDRESS	WORK PHONE

TYPE OF ALARM SYSTEM
TRADE NAME OF ALARM SYSTEM (i.e. - WELLS FARGO, ADT, etc)

Type of system installed (check all that are applicable)

Burglar Alarm

<input type="checkbox"/> Motion Detectors	<input type="checkbox"/> Infra-Red (Heat) Detectors
<input type="checkbox"/> Front/Rear Door Contacts	<input type="checkbox"/> Window Contacts
<input type="checkbox"/> Glass-Breakage Sensors	<input type="checkbox"/> Basement Bars

Fire Alarm

<input type="checkbox"/> Smoke	<input type="checkbox"/> Heat	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Flow
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Type of alerting device used with alarm (please check all that apply)

Audible Alarm Monitored by a Central-Station

Please fill out *ONLY* if alarm is monitored by a Central Monitoring Station:

CENTRAL STATION INFORMATION	
NAME OF MONITORING SERVICE	PHONE NUMBER
ADDRESS OF MONITORING SERVICE	
