

### **705.02 PERMIT REQUIRED.**

(a) No person, firm, association or other entity shall install or have installed any alarm system within the City or install or have installed any alarm system with a direct connection to the Police or Fire Departments unless a valid permit for such alarm system issued under provisions of this chapter is in effect. (Ord. 92-68. Passed 12-15-92.)

(b) No person, firm, association or other entity shall continue the operation of an alarm system already in existence on the effective date of this chapter unless a valid permit for such has been issued under provisions of this chapter.

(c) Permits issued under this chapter have no relationship to permits issued or required by any provisions of the Ohio Basic Building Code or the Ohio Fire Code.

(d) Permit application fees shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) for residential premises and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for commercial premises. There shall be no fee for a permit renewal.

(e) Whoever violates any provision of this section is guilty of operating an alarm system without a valid permit, a minor misdemeanor. Each day on which the violation occurs shall be deemed a separate offense. (Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)

### **705.03 PERMIT APPLICATION.**

(a) All applications for a permit under provisions of this chapter shall be submitted on a form provided by the Director of Public Service and Safety.

(b) Information required on the application shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Street address of premises where alarm system is located.

(2) Name of the principal resident, business or organization occupying premises and the date and night telephone numbers of such.

(3) Name, address and telephone numbers of at least three persons who have access to the premises at all times and who can respond to assist with the investigation of an alarm activation. Any changes in this information must be reported within seventy-two hours.

(4) Type of alarm system: fire/intrusion/both.

(5) Any additional information which will assist the Fire or Police Department in responding to an activation of the alarm system.

(Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)

### **705.04 PERMIT RENEWAL.**

(a) All permits issued pursuant to this chapter shall be renewed annually, with all expiring on December 31 of each year. Permits issued during the calendar year shall be issued with an expiration date of December 31 of that year. Application for permit renewal may be made on an original application form or by signed letter certifying that all data contained on the current application is still accurate.

(b) Permit renewal may be denied by the issuing authority for good cause, including but not limited to the furnishing of false or fictitious information on the application for permit or renewal and the activation of twelve or more false alarms during the calendar year. Any person denied permit renewal may appeal in accordance with Section [705.10](#) of this chapter.

(Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)

### **705.05 PERMIT REVOCATION.**

(a) The Director of Public Service and Safety may revoke any permit issued under provisions of this chapter for any of the following reasons:

(1) Providing false information of a substantive nature on the application for permit or renewal.

(2) Failing to pay fees for false alarms within forty-five days of the invoicing date.

(3) Repeated or flagrant failure to comply with alarm response procedures of the Police or Fire Departments.

(4) The activation of twelve or more false alarms during the calendar year.

(b) If a permit is revoked under this section, the alarm system must be turned off or otherwise disabled, or the alarm user may become subject to the penalties of Section [705.02](#).

(Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)

**705.06 DIRECT ALARM CONNECTIONS TO POLICE OR FIRE DEPARTMENTS.**

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Former Section [705.06](#) was repealed by Ordinance 01-71, passed July 17, 2001.)

**705.07 TESTING OF ALARM SYSTEMS.**

No alarm system may be tested without the alarm user first complying with all test procedures established in writing by the Police or Fire Chief. Failure to comply with the testing procedures may result in a fee for a false alarm. (Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)

**705.08 AUDIBLE ALARM RESTRICTION.**

(a) Any alarm system which emits an audible signal off the premises where it is located must be equipped with a timer which automatically silences the alarm signal no longer than fifteen minutes after activation.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of operating an improper alarm system, a minor misdemeanor. (Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)

**705.09 FALSE ALARM FEES.**

After the first two false alarms during any calendar year, a service fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged to the alarm user for every false alarm to which the Police or Fire Department is required to respond in accordance with their standard operating procedures. The service fees will be invoiced monthly through the office of the Director of Public Service and Safety and are due within thirty days after invoicing. A service fee may be waived by the Director of Public Service and Safety for good cause shown. (Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)

**705.10 APPEALS.**

(a) Upon any denial of an original permit or permit renewal, revocation of a permit, or charge for a false alarm, the permit holder or applicant may submit a written request for a hearing on the matter to the Director of Public Service and Safety within ten days of denial of the permit application or renewal, revocation of the permit, or invoicing for a false alarm fee. Such request for a hearing shall set forth the reasons that the decision is being contested.

(b) Written notice of the time and place of the hearing shall be served on the permit holder or applicant by the Director of Public Service and Safety by first-class mail at least ten days prior to the date for the hearing.

(c) At the hearing before the Public Service and Safety, the permit holder or applicant or his authorized representative shall have the right to present any evidence on his behalf.

(d) Within five days after the hearing, the Director of Public Service and Safety shall by first-class mail notify the appellant of his decision in the matter. (Ord. 92-29. Passed 6-3-92.)