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ALARM REGISTRATION FORM

Alarm Registrant _____

Alarm Location : _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Same as Alarm Location _____ e-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Home/Business Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Property Owners Name: _____

Same as Registrant _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Property Owners Phone: _____

Fee Schedule

Alarm Permit: \$100.00, The fee for an alarm permit renewal is \$50.00 from June 1 to July 31. After August 1, the renewal fee is \$100. Alarm permits are valid from July 1 to June 30. Example: If an alarm is permitted in November, it **must** be re-permitted in June or July of the following year.

Fee Enclosed \$ _____

Alarm Details (Check all that apply) Alarm goes to Central Station Alarm is audible only

Alarm Type (Check all that apply) Burglar Fire

Other (explain) _____ Panic Medical

Monitoring Service _____ Phone _____

System Serviced by: _____ Phone _____

In Case of Alarm Activation or Notice , Notify the following in this order:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

For additional contact information, please attach an additional piece of paper with the information

Revision Date July 22, 2009

Office Use Only	Business File <input type="checkbox"/> Date	Biz #	Notice Entry Update <input type="checkbox"/>	Check #	Chk Amt	Date
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§ 39-2. Definitions.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

ALARM DEVICE -- Any type of alarm-actuating equipment which provides warning of intrusion, fire, smoke, burglary, medical emergency, flood or like perils, including dial alarms (devices using normal telephone lines transmitting notification by telephone directly to a third-party service provider.

ALARM SYSTEM -- The installation in one or more buildings of one or more alarm devices for the express purpose of giving visual or audible warning, or both, of an emergency, such as a burglary, intrusion, fire, smoke, medical emergency, flood or like perils, and to which the Washington Township Police Department, the First-Aid Squad or the Fire Department may be expected to respond.

AUDIBLE ALARM -- A device that emits an audible signal from the premises that it is designed to protect.

FALSE ALARM -- An alarm signal resulting in a response by the Washington Township Police, First-Aid Squad or Fire Department, where an emergency situation does not exist.

LOCAL ALARM -- An audible alarm or one that emits a flashing light or other warning not transmitted beyond the immediate area.

PERSON -- Any natural person, partnership, corporation, association or other legal entity.

§ 39-3. Permit required.

On or after the effective date of this chapter, no owner, tenant, person or occupant (herein collectively referred to as "person") shall install or cause to be installed in any premises within the Township of Washington any alarm system, device or apparatus that communicates a condition that may be expected to result in a response by the Washington Township Police, First-Aid Squad or Fire Department without first receiving a permit for the installation.

§ 39-4. Applications for permits; fees; expirations and renewals.

- A. Applications for permits shall be on a form prescribed by the Chief of Police of the Township.
- B. Permits shall be issued by the Chief of Police or such other person authorized as his designee.
- C. No permit shall be issued unless the applicant demonstrates that the alarm system to be installed meets the standards set forth in this chapter.
- D. An application for a permit shall constitute an authorization that the township may, on reasonable notice to the person, inspect the alarm system for the purpose of determining whether the system continues to comply with the standards set forth in this chapter.
- E. An initial registration fee of \$100 shall be payable to the township upon issuance of a permit.
- F. Permits are to be renewed annually. All permits shall expire on June 30 of each year. Renewals must be submitted on or before July 31 of the year following expiration, accompanied by a check in the amount of \$50 made payable to the Township of Washington. After July 31, the application will be treated as a new application.
- G. A service fee of \$100 shall be payable for each alarm activation by a nonpermitted system that results in a response by the Washington Township Police, First-Aid Squad or Fire Department. Failure to pay the service fee within thirty (30) days shall result in the issuance of a summons for failure to obtain a permit as required by §39-3.

§ 39-5. Standards for alarm systems.

All alarm systems referred to in this chapter shall, at the time of their installation and at all times thereafter, meet the following standards:

- A. All alarm systems must meet reasonable safety standards, such as those acceptable to Underwriters' Laboratories or equivalent.
- B. Every alarm system capable of signaling multiple types of warnings shall be equipped with separate distinguishing signals, as reasonably required by the Chief of Police, to the end that the appropriate authorities, upon receipt of a signal, may immediately ascertain the nature and cause of the signal.
- C. All alarm systems capable of emitting audible signals shall be equipped with an operating device which will automatically, by mechanical, electrical or other means, shut off such audible signal after 15 minutes of continuous sound audible beyond the boundaries of the premises in which the alarm system is located.
- D. In any case where the alarm system emits sound in violation of the foregoing subsection, the operation or maintenance of the alarm system shall be deemed to constitute the grant of permission by the owners and occupants of the premises for law enforcement, first-aid or fire officials to enter the said premises and investigate and to re-set the alarm system.

§ 39-6. Existing alarm systems.

Alarm systems installed or in use at the effective date of this chapter shall conform to the requirements of this chapter within 180 days after the effective date hereof. All persons shall apply for permits for such systems within 30 days of the effective date of this chapter. In the event of a failure of any system to comply with the provisions of this subsection or of § 39-5 of this chapter, the township may prosecute under § 39-9.

§ 39-7. Information to be filed with police.

- A. It shall be the responsibility of all persons maintaining an alarm system within the township to leave with the Police Department the name of a person or persons who can be reached in case of an emergency or malfunction of the alarm device in order that the device can be temporarily disconnected. Additionally, owners may leave a tagged key to the premises with the Chief of Police of the township, provided that, in so doing, the owner thereby releases the Township of Washington and the Police Department from any claims of damage or loss in connection with said action.
- B. Persons having an alarm device which is being tested or repaired shall notify the Police Department before tests or repairs commence and after completion of same so as to avoid the possibility of activating a false alarm.
- C. The permittee is responsible for whatever charges are required by any alarm company making such installations. .

§ 39-8. False alarms.

- A. It shall be the responsibility of all persons maintaining an alarm system within the township to prevent the transmission of false alarms through a program of training and periodic inspection and maintenance of the system.
- B. Notification and investigations. In the case of a false alarm, any person having knowledge thereof shall immediately notify the Police Department. In the case of false alarms, the Chief of Police shall cause an investigation to be made and shall keep a record of the alarms on file.
- C. Service fees for false alarms. In any twelve-month period from July 1 through June 30, the following service fees shall apply in order to help offset the cost of responding to a false alarm:
 - (1) Upon the occurrence of the first and second false alarms, a written warning shall be issued to the owner or proprietor by the Chief of Police or his designee.
 - (2) Upon the occurrence of all subsequent false alarms, a service fee shall be payable by the owner or proprietor in accordance with the following schedule:

A. Third false alarm	B. Fourth false alarm	C. Fifth false alarm	D. Sixth false alarm
\$100	\$150	\$200	\$250
E. Seventh false alarm	F. Eighth false alarm	G. Ninth false alarm	H. Tenth false alarm
\$300	\$350	\$400	\$450
 - (3) In the event of a tenth or subsequent false alarm, in addition to the service fee established herein the occurrence of a tenth false alarm in any twelve-month period between July 1 and June 30 shall be deemed a violation of this section and the Police Chief, or his designee, or the Fire Chief, as appropriate, shall cause a summons to issue in Municipal Court, for prosecution under §39-9 of this chapter.
 - (4) Service fees shall be payable to the Township of Washington within 30 days of service of written notice of the third or subsequent false alarms. The calculation of the number of false alarms shall be without regard to whether the false alarms involved intrusion alarms or fire alarms. Failure to timely pay such service fees shall subject the owner or proprietor to the penalties set forth herein.