

## **ALARM PERMITS FOR 3 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNTIES**

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### **Anaheim:**

Alarm permit required, with no cost to applicant. 3 false alarms are allowed and there is a \$50.00 fine from the 4th alarm on. For information call (714) 765-1825.

### **Arcadia:**

No permit is required but an emergency notification card needs to be filed with the Business License Officer in City Hall. 3 false alarms are allowed in any consecutive 365 day period. The 4th and 5th false alarms are fined \$50.00 each, thereafter the false alarm fine is \$100.00. All false alarms which specifically signal a robbery are \$200.

Commencing with the 2nd false alarm. There is also a \$35.00 reinstatement fee due to excessive false alarms.

For information call (626) 574-5430.

### **Baldwin Park:**

No permit required. 3 false alarms are allowed per year thereafter the fine is \$25.00.

For information call (626) 813-5235.

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### **Beverly Hills:**

#### **UPDATED**

**New Security Alarm Ordinance amends the Beverly Hills Municipal Code effective Friday, February 3, 2006**

1) Over the past five years, the cost of responding to false alarm incidents at residential and commercial properties in the City of Beverly Hills has been increasingly greater than annual recovery through security alarm permit fees.

2) To mitigate the issue, staff recommended modifications to the existing security alarm ordinance as follows:

- i) Removes the annual security alarm permit requirement;
- ii) Includes a call verification response (CVR) provision;
- iii) Introduces a flat fee for each false alarm incident after the first each calendar year; and,
- iv) Incorporates an administrative review provision for disputes regarding false alarm charges.

3) The Administrative Service Department will bill for false alarms via the Police Department's records tracking incident activity.

4) On Tues, January 9, 2006, the Beverly Hills City Council also adopted the false alarm flat fee of \$110.00 per false alarm incident after the first one each calendar year that occurs at a residential or commercial property with the City limits. This fee is also effective Friday, February 3, 2006.

#### **OLD**

(This information is specifically and exclusively for those residing WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS of Beverly Hills.

If the responding police agency to your premises is not Beverly Hills police then, the following information will not apply to you. \*\*

Permits are required and if there is no permit number on file then the alarm company may be fined. There is a \$72.00 charge for the Permit. 2 false alarms per fiscal year is the limit. The 3rd false alarm fine is \$42.40, the 4th false alarm response is \$73.00 and thereafter the fine is \$109/00.)

**For Information and Application call (310) 285 2427.**

**Burbank :**

Permit required. There is a \$25.00 fee which is good from January to December. 2 false alarms per year are allowed and from then on there is \$75.00 false alarm fine. If no permit is on file, after a few false alarm responses the police will no longer respond to the location. For information call (818) 238-3226.

**Corona:**

Permit is required in the City of Corona with a one-time fee of \$25.00. The first two false alarms are not fined within a calendar year (Jan 1 to Dec31). The 3rd is \$70.00, 4th is \$210.00. Thereafter the fine is \$280.00 AND if the false alarms persist the permit will be revoked. The re-issuance of the permit is \$200.00. For more information call (909) 736-2397.

**Costa Mesa:**

No permit is needed. 2 false alarms per year are allowed then, the fine is \$130.00 per false alarm. The year is defined by the date of the first false alarm. For information call (714) 754-5255 or 754-5071.

**Cypress:**

Permit is required, no fee for a Residential system. \$25.00 for a Commercial system with a yearly renewal fee of \$25.00. 4 false alarms are allowed per Calendar year. The 5th false alarm is \$30.00, the 6th is \$50.00, thereafter the fine is \$100.00. If the subscriber does not have a permit on file then the 1st false alarm is \$30.00, 2nd is \$50.00 and thereafter \$100.00. For information call (714) 229-6645.

**Culver City:**

Permit required, \$28.00 fee. Permit renewal fee is \$20.00. Four false alarms per year are permitted; thereafter the fine is \$46.00. For information call (310) 253-6256.

**City of Diamond Bar:**

No alarm permit is needed. Two false alarms in a twelve month period are each given

warning letters. Thereafter all false alarms are each fined the amount of \$125.00. For more information call (909) 860-2489

**Downey:**

Permit is required. Residential fee \$27.50. Non-Residential fee \$37.00. Reinstate suspended residential \$30.00. Reinstate suspended non-residential \$170.00. Reinstate revoked permit \$115.00 + application fee. There are no false alarm fines but, after the 3rd false alarm the permit may be suspended or revoked. For information call (562) 904-7246.

**El Monte:**

No permit is required and at present no fines are imposed on false alarms. For information call (626) 580-2110.

**El Segundo:**

Permit is required but there is no fee. 3 false alarms are allowed per fiscal year. Thereafter the false alarm fine is \$100.00. For information call (310) 322-9114 EXT 346.

**City of Fontana:**

No permit is required but the city does have a form required for emergency contacts. At this time, the city is only billing commercial facilities for false alarm calls. The business is only billed after two false alarm calls in a one month period, and there is a \$35.00 dollar charge for each call to a business after two. For more information call (909) 356-7159

**Fremont:**

An alarm permit has been required since March 16th, 1998. The fee for a new permit is 40.00 and is valid for two years. The renewal fee is \$20.00 for another two years. Two false alarms are allowed within a 12-month period. The third false alarm is \$60.00. The fourth false alarm is \$120.00. The fifth false alarm is \$300.00. Thereafter the permit may be suspended on the sixth false alarm and a fine of \$120.00 will be imposed. For more information call (510) 790-6755

**Fullerton:**

Permit required. A Commercial Alarm Permit is \$50.00 and a Residential Permit costs \$25.00. Both have a yearly renewal fee of \$25.00. Delinquent Fee (Renewal - 60 days) is \$40.00. No false alarms allowed if no permit is on file. Senior Citizens (65 and older) no charge. 2 false alarms are allowed per year on both commercial and residential systems. The 3rd,4th and 5th false alarm are \$50.00 each. The 6th through 10th false alarm are \$100.00 each, thereafter the fine is \$200.00. For information call (714) 738-3103.

**Garden Grove :**

A permit is required. A permit for a commercial alarm system is \$25.00 per calendar year. A

residential alarm permit is \$30.00 and is valid for 3 calendar years. Each false alarm over three during any 12-month period is fined \$25.00. Each false alarm over six during any 12-month period is fined \$100.00. Each deliberate activation of a false alarm indicating armed robbery is fined \$100.00. For information call (714) 741-5875.

**Gardena:**

Permit is required. The permit fee is \$25.00. 3 false alarms are allowed per year. The 4th and 5th false alarms are \$75.00, the 6th is \$100, the 7th is \$125.00, the 8th is \$150.00, the 9th is \$175 and thereafter all false alarms are \$200.00. For information call (310) 217-9526 Ext. 324.

**Glendale :**

Permit required. There is a \$48.00 fee. 2 false alarms are allowed per fiscal year (July 1st - June 30th). The 3rd and 4th false alarm are \$50.00 each, from then on the fine is \$100.00. If there is no permit on file then the false alarm is \$75.00 each time. For information call ( 818) 548-4044.

**Hawthorne:**

Permit is required. The Residential fee is \$50.00 and the Commercial fee is \$75.00. 2 false alarms are allowed per fiscal year. The 3rd false alarm is fined \$50.00, the 4th is \$100.00 and thereafter the fine is \$250.00. For information call City Hall's Business License Division at (310) 970-7203.

**Hermosa Beach:**

Permit is required the fee is \$33.00. 3 false alarms are allowed per calendar year. Thereafter the fine is \$100.00. For information call (310) 318-0317.

**Huntington Beach :**

Permit required, \$30.00 fee. Two false alarms are allowed in a 12-month period. False burglary alarm fines range from \$100.00 to \$500.00. False holdup alarms for a commercial system are \$100.00. For more information call (714) 960-8805

**Huntington Park:**

Permit is required, \$5.00 fee with an annual renewal fee of \$5.00. 1 false alarm per month is allowed and a \$25.00 fine is imposed on each false alarm for the rest of the month. For information call (213) 584-6232.

**Inglewood:**

Permit is required, \$50.00 for the initial permit fee and \$15.00 for yearly renewal. Commercial systems are allowed 2 false alarms then the fine may vary from \$50.00 to \$100.00. Residential alarm systems are not fined for false alarms. For information call (310) 412-5500.

**Irvine:**

Permit required no fee. For more information call (949) 724-7147

False Alarm Number 1--0

False Alarm Number 2--0

False Alarm Number 3--0

False Alarm Number 4--\$100.00 Commercial / \$50.00 Residential

False Alarm Number 5--\$150.00 Commercial / \$75.00 Residential

False Alarm Number 6--\$200.00 Commercial / \$100.00 Residential

False Alarm Number 7--Permit Revoked

False Alarms While Permit Revocation is on Appeal (Each Additional Alarm)--\$300.00  
Commercial / \$200.00 Residential

Alarm Activation at Non-Permit Premises (After notification/warning)--\$300.00  
Commercial / \$200.00 Residential

Reinstatement of Revoked/Suspended Permit--\$50.00

False Alarm User Awareness Class--\$50.00

Intentional Activation in Non-Hazardous Situation--\$500.00

**La Crescenta:**

Partially covered by Glendale P.D. The rest of La Crescenta is patrolled by the Sheriff's Department and for that section no permit is required. 3 false alarms per year are allowed. There is a \$50.00 fine thereafter for false alarms. For information call (818) 248-3464 ( Sheriff's ) or (818) 548-4044 (Glendale P.D.)

**Lancaster:**

No permit required. 3 false alarms are allowed in a 12 month period. Thereafter the fine \$100.00 each. For information call (805) 948-8466 EXT. 3884.

**Long Beach :**

Permit required, \$18.00 fee for a 3 year permit for a Residential system. A Commercial system's permit is \$12.00 per year. 2 false alarms within 12 months are allowed. The 3rd false alarm is fined \$50.00, the 4th false alarm is fined \$100.00 , 5th is \$150.00, and \$300.00 thereafter. For information call (562) 570-6799.

**Los Angeles:**

Permits are required, they are referred to as a "Temporary Permit" and need to be renewed once a year. The fee is \$31.00 and the permit is valid for 1 year. For detailed information and application call (213) 485-2931. With a valid permit number the subscribers allowed 2 false alarms police responses within a year. Afterwards an \$80.00 fine for each excessive alarm. If the subscriber does not have a current permit number, then he/she is allowed one false alarm and from then on it will be an \$80.00 fine. If the alarm is caused by an actual break in or by a confirmed power failure then the subscriber is not charged for police response.

**Malibu:**

No permit required as of now and currently looking into establishing a city ordinance for fines. For information call 818 878-1808.

**Manhattan Beach:**

Permit required. \$38.00 for a 2 year Permit, and \$20.00 renewal fee. Two false burglary alarms within a 3 consecutive month period are free. Thereafter within a 2 consecutive month period, the fine is \$150.00. One false robbery alarm is allowed with a 3 consecutive month. Thereafter the false robbery alarm is \$180.00, if within a 3 consecutive month period. For Information call (310) 545-5621 xt. 125.

**MenloPark:**

No Permit required. All false alarms are \$50.00 each. If the alarm company calls and cancels the call prior to police arrival then, the fee is waived. For more information call (650) 858-3300

**Mission Viejo:**

Orange County Sheriffs.

No Permit is required. 2 false alarms within a calendar year. The false alarm fine is \$56.00 thereafter. For information call (949) 425-1800.

**Monrovia :**

No permit is required. 3 false alarms within 12 months are allowed, thereafter each false alarm is fined \$50.00. For information call (626) 256-8082.

**Montebello:**

Permit is required. The fee is \$54.00 with an annual renewal fee of \$13.00. Reinstatement fee of \$13.00.

Burglary Alarm Activation within 365 day period:

1st and 2nd False Alarm \$ 0.00

3rd False Alarm \$71.00

4th False Alarm \$108.00

5th False Alarm \$142.00

6th False Alarm \$179.00

7th False Alarm-Non-emergency response and possible revocation and \$179.00

Robbery Alarm Activation's within 365 day period:

1st False Alarm \$ 0.00

2nd False Alarm \$71.00

3rd False Alarm \$142.00

4th and Subsequent False Alarms \$213.00

(plus possible revocation)

For more information call (323) 887-1497.

### **Montrose:**

Montrose is patrolled by the L.A. County Sheriffs Crescenta substation and the Glendale Police Department. To determine what jurisdiction a client may fall under either, call Glendale P.D. or La Crescenta Sheriffs. No Permit required for the section of Montrose covered by the Sheriffs, 2 false alarms per year are allowed. For more information in the Glendale P.D. area call (818) 540-4044 or for La Crescenta Sheriff's Substation call (818) 248-3464 EXT. 334.

Note: If your Water & Power is provided by City of Glendale then you are probably covered by Glendale P.D. Otherwise it will be Los Angeles County Sheriffs

### **Newport Beach :**

Permit is required. There is a "telephonic alarm system operated by the Newport Beach Police Department as a service provided to benefit the citizens of Newport Beach. The Police Department is not required to provide this service and citizens have other options to obtain the same service through private business".

Regardless of who is providing the monitoring, a permit is required. The permit is \$50.00. The annual renewal fee for a commercial alarm permit is \$25.00. The tri-annual renewal fee for a residential alarm permit is \$30.00.

The penalties for excessive false alarms are as follows:

\$50.00 for a 3rd Police false alarm.

\$100 for 4th Police false alarm.

\$125 thereafter for Police false alarms.

If the Monitoring is being done by the city then there is an \$18.00 monthly charge billed once a year. For information call (949) 644-3723.

The ordinance also gives a breakdown of false fire alarms:

\$75.00 for a 3rd fire false alarm.

\$150.00 for a 4th fire false alarm.

\$200.00 thereafter on fire false alarms.

### **Ontario:**

Permit is required with a one-time processing fee of \$25.00 for a residential alarm system and \$50.00 for a commercial system. 2 false alarms are allowed from any premises, although there will be a warning letter sent to the alarm system owner for each false

alarm. The 3rd false alarm is fined \$75.00, the 4th by \$100.00. Subsequent false alarms within the 365 day period are \$125.00 each. For information call (909) 930-3353

**Orange:**

Permit is required. A one time residential fee of \$25.00 and a \$50.00 for anon-residential permit. The first 2 false alarms, within a 365 day period, are issue warning letters. The 3rd false alarm is \$75.00, 4th false alarm is \$100.00 and \$125.00thereafter For information call (714) 744-7325

**Palmdale:**

Permits technically needed, but may not be enforced. 3 false alarms per year are allowed, from then on each fine is subject to a minimum of \$100.00. For information call (661) 267-4322.

**Pasadena:**

Permit is required. There is a \$95.00 fee and the permit is valid for 4 years. 3 false alarms per calendar year are allowed then an \$89.00 fine applies. If no permit number is on file then the subscriber is billed for a permit number along with an extra \$61.00 fee for not having a valid permit. For additional details call (626) 744-4166 or 744-4293  
Note that the permit fee is prorated a 100% in January and 16.67% in December.

**Pomona:**

Permit is required and is \$20.00, with a \$10.00 renewal fee. Two false alarms are allowed in any 365 day period.  
Third False Alarm is fined \$55.00. Fourth is \$55.00 plus a \$110 penalty. Fifth is \$55.00 plus a \$165.00 penalty. Sixth is \$55.00 plus a \$220.00 penalty. Seventh is \$55.00 plus a \$275.00 penalty and revocation of the alarm permit. For information call (909) 620-3639.

**Port Hueneme:**

No permit is required nor are there any fines for false alarms. For information call (805) 986-6530

**Rancho Cucamonga:**

No permit needed in the City of Cucamonga. The first two alarms within the year are not fined. Thereafter the fine is \$25.00 for the 3rd, \$50.00 for 4th, \$75.00 for the 5th and \$100.00 for subsequent false alarms. For more information call (909) 477-2720.

**Redondo Beach:**

Permit is required, the annual fee is \$20.00.  
2 false alarms are allowed from January through December. The third through fifth falsealarm is fined \$50.00. The sixth through eight are \$100.00 and thereafter the fine is\$150.00. If the permit is revoked the there is a \$100.00 reinstatement fee. For information call (310) 318-0612.

**Riverside :**

Permit is required and fines are imposed. The one-time permit fee is \$25.00. The first 3 false burglary type alarms are not fined. Two false robbery alarms are allowed.

Thereafter the fines can range from \$65.00 to \$250.00. For information call (909) 782-5700 or (909) 782-5600.

**San Bernardino Police Department:**

Permit is required. The Residential fee is \$25.00 and the Commercial fee is \$50.00.

3 false alarms per year are allowed.

The fines for intrusion alarms are as follows:

4th false alarm \$50.00

5th false alarm \$50.00

6th and subsequent false alarms \$100.00

The fines for robbery or panic alarms are as follows:

4th false alarm \$100.00

5th false alarm \$100.00

6th false and subsequent false alarm \$200.00

For citizens with income below \$15,000 for a one-person household and \$20,000 for a two-person household who apply for a residential alarm permit the fee will be \$10.00.

The fines for intrusion alarms are as follows:

4th false alarm \$10.00

5th false alarm \$10.00

6th and subsequent false alarm \$20.00

Robbery or panic alarms that prove to be false are fined as follows:

4th false alarm \$20.00

5th false alarm \$20.00

6th and subsequent false alarm \$40.00

If the permit is revoked then the police department will not respond.

For information call (909) 384-5715.

**San Fernando :**

Permit required, \$20.00 fee. 3 false residential alarms are allowed then the fine will vary depending on the type of alarm reported by the alarm dispatcher. In general the false burglary alarms are fined \$25.00 and false Panic and Hold Ups are fined \$100.00. For information call (818) 898-1200.

**San Gabriel:**

Permit is required to be filed but there is no fee involved. The application are filed with the Director of Finance on forms provided by the City. The 1st through the 4th false alarm within the 1st 12 months of installation are free of charge. For the 5th and subsequent false alarms within the 1st 12 months of installation, has a \$75.00 false alarm fine. Thereafter any false alarms in excess of 4 within a 12 month period are each fined \$75.00. For information call City Hall's Department of Finances at (626) 308-2800.

**San Jose:**

No permit is required. Two false alarms are allowed within a 60-day period.

The third false alarm is \$50.00. The fourth is \$100 and thereafter the fine is \$250.00  
For more information call (408) 277-4022

**San Marino:**

No permit required. 2 false alarms per calendar year. A warning letter is issued on the 2nd false alarm. The 3rd false alarm has a \$25.00 fine, 4th is \$50.00 and \$100.00 thereafter. For information call (626) 300-0706

**Santa Ana:**

Permit is required. The fee is \$26.00 for a commercial system, Residential systems are exempt from the fee. For new systems there is no charge for the first 3 false alarms during the first 6 months of installation of the new system. Existing systems having more false alarms than allowed, shall be subject to fines of \$85.00 per false burglary alarm activation and \$140.00 per false robbery alarm activation.

Number of False Alarms / Time Period

More than 1 / 30 days

More than 2 / 90 days

More than 3 / 180 days

More than 4 / 365 days

Six penalty assessments within 1 year period, or failure to pay penalty assessments, with written notice shall be subject to discontinuance of police response. For information call (714) 245-8716.

**Santa Barbara:**

Permit required but no fee. The 1st 3 false alarms are not fined but a warning letter is issued. Thereafter the false alarm fine is \$50.00 within a 365 day period. For information call (805) 897-2498

**Santa Monica:**

Permits not required. Two false alarms allowed. The third false alarm is \$103.95. Thereafter the false alarm fine is \$135.13. For information call (310) 458-8779.

**South Pasadena:**

No permit is required. 3 false alarms are allowed in any twelve-month period. The 4th false alarm is \$26.00, 5th is \$80.00, and \$160.00 thereafter. For information call (626) 799-1121.

**Simi Valley:**

After the 5th false alarm letter of "disconnect" sent to owner \$123 fee charged for each false alarm after being disconnected until problem rectified \$45 "reconnect" fee.  
Disconnected a 2nd time within 3 years - automatically charged \$123 fee for each alarm for the entire year

For information call (805) 583-6950. Thousand Oaks:

No permit needed. 2 false alarms per year. The 3rd false alarm is fined \$55.00, 4th is fined \$110.00 and \$150.00 thereafter. For information call (805) 494-8239.

**Torrance:**

Permit is required and the fee is \$57.00. Applicants 65 years of age or older and physically disabled individuals are exempt from the fee. 3 false burglary alarms are allowed in any 12 month period. No false robbery alarms are allowed. The fine for subsequent false alarms is \$125.00 for Burglary and \$150.00 for Robbery. For information call (310) 618-5624.

**Tustin:**

Permit is required. A Commercial alarm system permit is \$25.00 (annually). A Residential permit is \$10.00. (one-time fee).  
1 false alarm is allowed per month. The fee for each additional false alarm call is \$25.00 per alarm. For information call (714) 573-3303

**Upland:**

Permit required, \$10.00 Residential and \$25.00 Commercial fee. If no permit there might be a \$25.00 fine. The first 3 false alarms within a 365 day period are free. The 4th false alarm has a fine of \$40.00, the 5th is \$65.00 and thereafter the fine is \$90.00. For information call (909) 946-7624 xt 3206.

**Ventura:**

Permit is required. The fee is \$14.00. 3 false alarms are allowed during any successive 12 month period as measured from the permit date. The false alarm fine, from then on, is \$50.00. Any senior citizen who is 60 or more years old, shall only be charged a service charge of \$5.00 after the 3rd false alarm. For information call (805) 339-4459

**West Covina:**

No permit is required. Each alarm system is allowed 3 false alarms in a 365-day period. A service fee of \$50.00 will be assessed for the 4th, through the 6th false alarm. The 7th false alarm is \$75.00 and Police response will automatically be suspended within the same 365 day period. For information call (626) 814-8580.

**Whittier :**

Permit is required. The one time fee is \$50.00. 3 false alarms per year are allowed. The 4th and 5th false alarms are fined \$75.00 each. The 6th is \$100.00, 7th is \$125.00 ,8th is \$150.00, 9th is \$175.00 and \$200.00 thereafter. The amount of the fine may keep increasing if the false alarms do not stop. For information call (562) 945-8204.

**West Hollywood:**

Alarm permit required, \$30.00 for a business alarm permit and \$20.00 for residential. First and second false alarms are free. The third and fourth are \$50.00, thereafter the fine is \$75.00. For information call (323) 848-6451.