

**ALARM BUSINESS**

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**BASIS** An Alarm Business means any individual, partnership, corporation or other entity which has as one of its principal business purposes the altering, installing, leasing, selling, maintaining, repairing or servicing an alarm system or fire alarm system or which causes any of these activities to take place. Such term shall also include alarm servicing companies who engage in the activity of monitoring alarm systems.

**LEGAL REFERENCE** Chapter 3.40, Code of the City of Wichita, Kansas.

**REGULATIONS** It is unlawful for any person to engage in the operation of an alarm business within the City without having first obtained a license to operate such a business from the City Treasurer. This includes persons who engage in selling or leasing alarm systems.

It is also unlawful for any person to engage in altering, installing, maintaining, repairing, or servicing an alarm system within the City limits, or causing the same to take place without having first obtained an alarm business license from the City Treasurer and having been certified for the particular classification of the system involved. Any person desiring to engage in or work in the alarm business shall make application to the Office of Central Inspection for a certificate. All certificates expire on the thirty-first day of December of each odd-numbered year and no reduction shall be made for part of the year being elapsed.

No certificate shall be issued to any individual to install security systems who is not certified by the Kansas Electronic Security Alliance, Electronic Security Association, or other national testing agency with a test designed specifically for alarms. No certificate shall be issued to any individual to install, repair or replace fire alarm systems who is not certified by the National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies (NICET II, III or IV) or the International Municipal Signal Association (IMSA I or II).

Any person who violates the provisions of this Section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment of a term not to exceed six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

A statement certifying that the alarm business has provided to the Alarm Administrator or his or her designee a complete and current customer list in a format acceptable to the Alarm Administrator or a designated representative.

Proof of general liability insurance coverage with a minimum limit of coverage of \$300,000.00 per occurrence shall be submitted with the application.

No application shall be approved if:

- the applicant, in the last two years, has violated the terms and conditions of this Chapter,
- has been convicted of a felony,
- owes licensing fees or administrative penalties to the City of Wichita.

Nontransferable. Non-refundable.

**ENFORCING AUTHORITY** Office of Central Inspection, Chief of Police, Fire Chief , Law Department

**FEES** New or Renewal License.....\$100.00  
New applicant fee.....\$1.00

Each applicant providing monitoring services shall, in addition to the payment of the above fees, submit payment of all outstanding administrative penalties which may be due under the terms of this Chapter at the same time as the license application as a requirement of completing the application process.

Licenses expire one year from date of issuance. Allow 30 days for approvals prior to expiration date.