



Township of Robinson

Police Department

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DALE VIETMEIER
Chief of Police

Commercial Alarm Holder:

On April 12, 1982, the Robinson Township Board of Commissioners adopted Ordinance #7-1982 and amended same ordinance in 1989 as Ordinance 16-1989 and amended fee schedule of same on June 8, 1992. Resolution 02-2008 once again amended fee schedule. Excerpts of this Ordinance are enclosed.

Enclosed you will find an Application to be completed by you and returned with the yearly fee of \$50.00. This fee will be due in January of each year. We also need the emergency information of persons to be contacted in the event of an alarm. Failure to return your Application may result in revocation of your alarm and Citations being issued.

Please note on page two (2) the fines for both false burglar and fire alarms. If you are going to be testing your fire alarms, we suggest that before doing so, you make certain you notify the Robinson Township Police Department that a test is being conducted. This is your responsibility. If you have any questions regarding this Ordinance, feel free to call the Robinson Township Police Department and speak with the Police Secretary at 412-788-8115.

You will be allowed to continue operating your alarm in its present state; however, you must bring your system into compliance with the Ordinance within ninety (90) days from the date of application.

Sincerely,

Chief Dale Vietmeier

ALARM DEVICE ORDINANCE EXCERPTS

The following are condensed excerpts from Ordinance #7-1982 outlining pertinent information for individuals wishing to operate an Alarm Device. Ordinance enacted April 12, 1982 and amended Ordinance #16-1989 (8/14/89). Fee Schedule Resolution 02-2008.

PERMITS

It is unlawful for a property owner, lessee of property or a person otherwise occupying a premise within, as well as outside of Robinson Township, to put an Alarm Device into operation on his premises without first obtaining an Alarm Device Permit from the Police Department.

In order to apply for an Alarm Device Permit, a person must submit the appropriate application along with the appropriate fee. Notification of approval or denial and reasons for such action will be made within ten days of application.

In order to allow sufficient time for securing an Alarm Device Permit, a period of ninety (90) days is provided from the effective date of Ordinance #7-1982 for that purpose.

REVOCAION OF PERMITS – In the event an Alarm Device Permit is revoked, the Permit holder will be notified in writing of the reasons for such action. If such notice is delivered personally, it will be effective immediately, if mailed, it will be effective three (3) days after mailing.

- The following constitutes grounds for revocation:
- Failure of Alarm Device to conform to operational standards.
- Failure of a permit holder to pay false alarm charges within thirty days (30) of assessment.
- Occurrences of more than twenty-five (25) false alarms during any calendar year.
- Occurrence of an intentional false alarm by the Permit Holder or any individual over the ages of fifteen residing on the premises where the Alarm Device is located.

A permit may be reapplied for within forty-five days after the effective date of revocation; however, if an Alarm Device Permit was revoked for non-payment of a false alarm charge or fee or non-payment of installation or maintenance fees or both, a permit will not be reissued until such charge or fee or both have been paid. In addition, if an Alarm Device Permit has been twice revoked due to an intentional false alarm, re-application may not be made for one (1) year from the effective date of the second revocation.

OPERATIONAL STANDARDS

The following constitute operation standards:

1. The duration of recorded messages is not to exceed fifteen (15) seconds.
2. A thirty (30) second delay is to occur between triggering stimulus and transmittal of alarm.
3. Only specific telephone numbers are to be dialed as designated by the Police Dept.
4. The alarm must be capable of interface with the Central Receiving Station.
5. All bells, sirens or other sound-making devices must automatically deactivate within five (5) minutes of operation.

- 6. Standards of the Underwriters Laboratories and/or The National Fire Protection Association and/or other recognized industry standards must be met by alarm devices.
- 7. The sensory mechanism of alarm devices must be adjusted to suppress false alarm indications of fire or intrusion.
- 8. The alarm device must be maintained in good repair.

Upon five (5) days written notice, representative of the Police Department have the authority to enter premises at which the alarm is located between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays for the purpose of inspecting the Alarm Device Installation.

FALSE ALARMS

Intentional False Alarms are unlawful. Additionally, the following charges will be assessed for each false alarm occurring during any calendar year.
Resolution 02-2008

False Burglar Alarms for Commercial Per Year

1 - 2.....	No Charge
3 - 4.....	\$ 150.00 each
5 - 7.....	\$ 250.00 each
8 - 9.....	\$ 350.00 each
10 or more.....	\$ 550.00 each plus may revoke permit

The permit holder shall be notified that a false alarm charge is due and the amount within ten (10) days of its occurrence. Payment of the false alarm charge is due within thirty (30) days from the date of mailing of this assessment. Failure to make payment on the due date shall subject the permit holder to revocation of his Alarm Device Permit and Citations being issued.
Resolution 02-2008

FALSE FIRE ALARMS for Commercial

First False Fire Alarm.....	No Charge
2 or more.....	\$ 500.00 each

LIABILITY OF ROBINSON TOWNSHIP

The issuance of any permit shall not constitute acceptance by Robinson Township of any liability to maintain any equipment, to answer alarms or for anything in connection therewith.

RIGHT TO APPEAL

Any applicant for a permit or a Permit Holder aggrieved by any decision of the Robinson Township Police Department may within ten (10) days following the decision, file a written appeal with the Commission of Robinson Township. The Commission will promptly conduct a hearing and affirm, modify or reverse the decision appealed from. The decision of the Commission shall be final.

PENALTIES

Any person committing an unlawful act in regard to provisions dealing with permits and intentional false alarms shall, upon conviction be subject to a fine not to exceed \$600.00 for each offense.

NOTE:

In compliance with this ordinance, applications must be completed and returned to our department within 30 days. If application is not returned within allotted time a NON TRAFFIC citation for \$600.00 will be issued.

ROBINSON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT
COMMERCIAL APPLICATION ALARM DEVICE INVOICE

PERMIT NO. _____

(please print or type)

BUSINESS NAME: _____ EMAIL (if available) _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____
(include zip code) business telephone _____

BILLING ADDRESS: _____

LOCATION OF ALARM _____

Names, addresses and telephone numbers of at least two individuals who have keys to the premises at which the alarm device is located and who are authorized to enter the premises at any time:

Name	Address	Telephone & Cell if available
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Name	Address	Telephone & Cell if available
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If alarm is leased, rented or under service agreement, give company name, address and telephone number.

Alarm Company Name	Address	Telephone
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"I(we) the undersigned Applicant(s) for an Alarm Device Permit, intending to be legally bound hereby, state that neither I(we) nor anyone claiming by, through or under me(us) shall make any claim against Robinson Township for any damages caused to the premises at which the Alarm Device, which is the subject of this application, is or will be located, if such damage is caused by forced entry to said premises by employees of Robinson Township in order to answer an alarm from said Alarm Device at a time when said premises are or appear to be unattended or when the discretion of said employees circumstances appear to warrant forced entry. Further, I(we) hereby agree that, periodically and upon five (5) days written notice, representatives of the Police Department of Robinson Township shall be allowed to enter my (our) premises between the hours of 10:00 am and 5:00 pm on weekdays for the purpose of inspection of the Alarm Device installation in order to determine whether or not it is in accordance with the operational standards set forth in Section 3 of Robinson Twp Ordinance No. 7-1982, Resolution 03-2008.

\$50.00 YEARLY PERMIT FEE

Date Received _____

Approving Officer _____

SIGNATURE