

HERMOSA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT ALARM REQUIREMENTS

Section 8.08.010 HBMC et seq., requires every person maintaining an alarm system to obtain a permit through the police department.

Permit applications can be obtained at the front desk of the police department. There is a non-refundable permit fee when the application is submitted.

It is important that the application is filled out completely including the names of individuals that can respond in an emergency to secure your business/residence. The information in the application must be kept current.

This ordinance grants a grace period of 3 false alarms per calendar year. Thereafter, the City of Hermosa Beach will assess a charge for each subsequent false alarm that requires a police and/or fire department response. A false alarm means an alarm signal activated by subscriber negligence or for any reason not of an emergency nature or when activated due to a malfunction of any segment of the alarm system which causes a police/fire response.

There are of course exceptions. No charge will be assessed for false alarms occasioned by disaster, power failure, or other causes clearly not within the control of the permitted party. No charge shall be made for a false alarm occasioned by an alarm company or permitted party test of the alarm system, provided that the Police/Fire Department dispatch center has been notified before and after said test. No charges will be assessed for false alarms that occur within thirty (30) days from the date when the alarm system was originally installed and became operational.

No audible alarm system which emits an audible sound for longer than 10 minutes after activation may be installed in the City of Hermosa Beach.

Alarm system permits are non-transferable and each new owner will have to apply for a new permit for an existing alarm system.

The City of Hermosa Beach has the right to inspect any alarm system to insure that the alarm system will function as designed and complies with the provisions of this ordinance.

A failure to abide by the regulations of 8.08.010 HBMC et seq. or an alarm system activating too many false alarms will result in revocation of your alarm permit.

Further inquiries can be directed to Police Records Bureau 310-318-0360.

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