

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL LAW**

**LOCAL LAW NO. B- 2024 AMENDING AND RESTATING LOCAL LAW NO. 2-2000  
ESTABLISHING PENALTIES AND PROCEDURES FOR SECURITY ALARM  
DEVICES**

BE IT ENACTED by the Livingston County Board of Supervisors as follows:

That Local Law No. 2-2000 is hereby amended and restated as follows:

**Section 1.** The prevention of false security alarms helps to ensure emergency service providers are not diverted by false alarms and, therefore, provides for the protection, safety, health and well-being of persons and property within Livingston County.

**Section 2.** Definitions.

“Security Alarm User” means any person or entity on whose premises a security alarm device is installed.

“Security Alarm Device” means any device which, when activated, transmits an audible or visual signal to the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office or to a private central alarm station which, in turn, relays the message to the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office.

“False Alarm” means any audible or visual signal transmitted to or relayed to the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office caused by the malfunction of a Security Alarm Device or private central alarm station which results in the unnecessary dispatch of an emergency service provider, regardless of whether the Security Alarm User is aware of the malfunction.

“Emergency Service Provider” means any fire, police, ambulance, medical, or rescue service that provides services for relieving human suffering, injury or loss of life, or damage to property as the result of an emergency.

**Section 3.**

1) All Security Alarm Devices operated within Livingston County, excluding devices within the village limits of villages with security alarm ordinances, must be registered with the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office within sixty (60) days of activation.

2) Within sixty (60) days of activating a Security Alarm Device, the Security Alarm User shall file an Alarm Information Sheet with the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office. The Security Alarm User must notify the Sheriff’s Office of any changes to the information contained in the Alarm Information Sheet prior to or simultaneously with those changes becoming effective. The Security Alarm User shall also notify the Sheriff’s Office of any deactivation of a registered Security Alarm Device within five (5) days of the deactivation.

3) If a Security Alarm Device is not properly registered with the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office the Security Alarm User shall be fined \$50.00 and shall be required to register the Security Alarm Device as part of paying the fine.

**Section 4.** No automatic Security Alarm Device dialers may use the Emergency 911 phone line. Alarm notification with the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office must be made via the telephone number designated solely to alarms, specifically (585) 243-7117.

**Section 5.** False Alarms are strictly prohibited. The following fines will be imposed upon Security Alarm Users for False Alarms:

a) 1 <sup>st</sup> False Alarm per calendar year	\$0.00 Fine - Written Warning
b) 2 <sup>nd</sup> False Alarm per calendar year	\$50.00 Fine
c) 3 <sup>rd</sup> False Alarm per calendar year	\$75.00 Fine
d) 4 <sup>th</sup> False Alarm per calendar year	\$100.00 Fine

e) 5 <sup>th</sup> False Alarm per calendar year	\$125.00 Fine
f) 6 <sup>th</sup> False Alarm per calendar year	\$150.00 Fine

Fines shall be paid to the Livingston County Treasurer within thirty (30) days of the Security Alarm User receiving written notice of the imposition of a fine.

**Section 6.** Any Security Alarm User receiving notice of a fine or notice of a failure to comply with this local law may file an appeal with the Livingston County Administrator. A written appeal must be filed with the County Administrator within fifteen (15) days of the Security Alarm User receiving notice of the fine or notice of a failure to comply with this local law. A copy of the appeal should also be submitted to the Livingston County Sheriff's Office. Upon filing an appeal, the deadline for payment of the fine or proof of compliance with this local law shall be extended to fifteen (15) days from the date the County Administrator issues his/her written decision. The County Administrator shall give notice of his/her decision to the Security Alarm User and the Livingston County Sheriff's Office. The Security Alarm User shall be entitled to have the County Administrator's determination reviewed pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules.

**Section 7.** If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this local law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment, decree or order shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment, decree or order shall have been rendered and the remainder of this local law shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 8.** All notices referred to in this local law shall be served either personally or by certified mail return receipt requested.

**Section 9.** This local law shall take effect immediately upon its filing with the Office of the Secretary of State.

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Michele R. Rees  
Clerk of the Board