

# Nassau County



# Police Department

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## Alarm Permit Section Communications Bureau

The Nassau County Police are requested to respond to over 125,000 false alarms each year. Alarm legislation was adopted in 1991 because of concerns over police officer safety and to eliminate the misuse of police resources, which results in a cost of millions of dollars annually. Unfounded alarm calls reduce the police department's effectiveness and undermines our ability to respond to more critical calls.

- Alarm legislation mandates alarm permits are required for all alarm systems. Any person operating an alarm system without a permit shall be subject to a penalty fee for each alarm activation. Continued use of a non-registered alarm system may result in location being placed in No Response Mode. This means if an alarm transmission is received, Nassau County Police personnel will not be assigned to respond unless independent information suggests that a police response is necessary.
- Permit holders are required to immediately notify their alarm companies of their permit number. Alarm companies must use this permit number when dispatching for an alarm. Dispatch without a permit number is a violation of the law and can result in further fines.
- **Application for permits and fees may ONLY be filed by mail.** Checks or money orders must be **made payable to: The Nassau County Police Department.** Application fees are non-refundable.

○ New applications:	Residence: \$100.00	Business: \$200.00
○ Permit Renewals:	Residence: \$100.00	Business: \$200.00

**Mail application to:  
Nassau County Public Safety Center  
Communications Bureau / Police Alarm Permits  
1194 Prospect Avenue  
Suite 114  
Westbury, NY 11590**

- Permits are non-transferable. Permits are to be renewed every two (2) years from date of issuance. Renewal reminders will be mailed to permit holders prior to the expiration date. However, the alarm user is responsible for renewal prior to expiration date regardless of renewal notice receipt.
- Section 8-40.8 of alarm legislation defines a false alarm as any alarm signal that elicits a response by police personnel and for which there is no evidence of criminal activity to justify a police response. The holder of a permit or the person in control of an alarm system shall be subject to suspension and/or revocation and/or will have location placed into No Police Response Mode if false alarms to that location exceed two (2) in a calendar year

If you have any questions, please call the Nassau County Police Department Alarm Permit Section at (516) 573-7862 or (516) 573-7298 and leave a message. Someone will return your call as soon as possible. Or you can email us at [alarms@pdcn.org](mailto:alarms@pdcn.org)