

**PEARLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT
ALARM REGISTRATION FORM**

1. Exact street address where alarm is located:

2. Name, address and phone number of EACH person in control of the property:

3. Business name used for the premises (if applicable):

4. Check type of alarm at this location.

Check those which apply	TYPE OF ANNUNCIATION
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alarm sounds at location only
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alarm is silent at location, sounds elsewhere
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alarm sounds locally AND notifies elsewhere

Check those which apply	TYPE OF PROTECTION	RESIDENTIAL	COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/>	Burglary/Intrusion Detection	\$5.00	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hold Up/Robbery Notification	\$5.00	\$20.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Medical	No additional charge	No additional charge
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire	No additional charge	No additional charge

5. Name of the individual or business who will or has installed the alarm:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

6. The name, address and phone number of at least two persons who have agreed to:

- receive notification of an alarm at any time
- come to the site within 30 minutes and grant access to the alarm site
- deactivate the alarm as necessary

(If monitoring company is different from installation company (#5), please list the monitoring company here.)

7. Are any flammables, dangerous chemicals, guard dogs, or any other special circumstances present at this address?

_____ If yes, explain: _____

RETURN THIS FORM ALONG WITH THE REGISTRATION FEE TO:

PERMIT DEPARTMENT
CITY OF PEARLAND
3519 LIBERTY DRIVE
PEARLAND, TEXAS 77581

Fees: Residential \$5.00 Commercial \$20.00

**CITY OF PEARLAND
ALARM ORDINANCE SUMMARY**

Pearland City Council adopted Ordinance Number 569 to address the high number of false alarms that are generated and the excessive costs associated with this problem. As a part of this ordinance, all alarms that are installed in our community must be registered. This requires a nominal one-time registration fee (unless the property is sold or it is for a non-profit organization) and provides for fees to be assessed for locations that have excessive numbers of false alarms, as established by the ordinance.

In order to see that your alarm system is properly registered, you should follow the below listed process:

- a. Obtain a registration application form from the City of Pearland, Permit Office at 3523 Liberty Drive.
- b. Pay a one time registration fee (\$5.00 for residence; \$20.00 for Commercial; Non-profit organizations – exempt).
- c. Fill out registration application completely and return it to the address at the bottom of the form.

For your information, some of the highlights of the Alarm Ordinance are listed below. These are paraphrased comments. For exact wording, please refer to the actual ordinance.

1. All alarms are required to be registered. Failure to do so could result in a fine.
2. If a business or residence has two separate alarm systems, they must obtain two different permits.
3. Persons in control of property on which an alarm system is installed is required to receive notification of an alarm activation at any time, come to the alarm site within 30 minutes if requested by the police, grant access to the alarm site, deactivate the alarm if necessary, and train all persons who may activate the system.
4. Any changes or modifications in the original alarm Registration Form (new employees, persons to be notified, etc.) must be made, in writing, within 72 hours of the change. This change can be sent directly to the Police Department to the attention of the Alarm Detail.
5. Alarms are required to have a source of stand-by power to automatically maintain the system in a normal condition for a period of four hours in the event of the interruption of the primary power source. (This is usually in the form of a battery and is usually included in most alarm installations.)
6. Persons who are in control of alarmed property shall insure that the alarm system is repaired within 72 hours after formal notification by the Police Department or monitoring company that it is malfunctioning.
7. No telephone dialers that automatically call any police department telephone line may be installed on any alarm system.
8. No person may conduct any test or demonstration of an alarm system that would require a police response without first notifying and obtaining permission from the Police Department.
9. Any location that has more than five false alarms in a twelve month period (beginning January 1st of each year) will be charged the cost determined for a response by the City:

If these fees are unpaid, a summons to Municipal Court will be issued to the permit holder or owner/occupant of the premises.

The problem of false alarms can be very costly in terms of the potential for the property damage, injury to officers and injury to others during an emergency response to what turns out to be a nonexistent problem. Over 95% of all alarms reported to the police department are false, many of these are a result of a few locations failing to correct long existing problems. We appreciate your understanding and recognition for the need of this type of an ordinance. This will allow the Pearland Police Department to more efficiently and safely serve the needs of all the members of our community.