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Administrative Code Citation

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 13:31A

Text

Notice of Readoption

Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm, and Locksmith Advisory Committee Rules

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5A-24 and 45:5A-38.

Authorized By: Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors, Philameana Tucker, Executive Director.

Effective Date: December 28, 2023.

New Expiration Date: December 28, 2030.

Take notice that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the rules at N.J.A.C. 13:31A were scheduled to expire on March 3, 2024. The rules establish the standards for the licensing and regulation of individuals and businesses engaged in locksmith, burglar alarm, and/or fire alarm services.

Subchapter 1 sets forth the purpose and scope of the rules, definitions of relevant terms and phrases used throughout the chapter, the location of the office of the Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm, and Locksmith Advisory Committee (Committee), and the fees that will be charged by the Committee for licensure and continuing education. The subchapter also sets forth the requirements for renewal of licenses, reactivation of inactive licenses, reinstatement of administratively suspended licenses, and reporting a licensee's change of address to the Committee, in writing. Additionally, the subchapter sets forth the grounds upon which the Committee may deny an applicant admittance to a license examination, or may deny, refuse to renew, temporarily suspend, or revoke a license or issue a civil penalty. The subchapter also sets forth the requirements for licensure for applicants licensed in other states; requirements for requesting a waiver from any of the requirements of the rules at Chapter 31A; continuing education requirements; requirements and the manner in which licensees must identify themselves while advertising their professional services; standards of practice for burglar alarm, fire alarm, and locksmithing licensees and businesses; prohibited practices; and requirements for reporting a change in the business qualifier for a burglar alarm, fire alarm, or locksmithing business.

Subchapter 2 sets forth the rules applicable to the licensing and regulation of locksmiths and locksmith businesses. The subchapter sets forth the requirements for the following: the initial licensure of locksmiths and locksmith businesses; passing the locksmith examination; obtaining credit towards locksmith licensure for education, training, and experience received while serving as a member of the armed forces; the application for locksmith licensure for an individual or business; the locksmith business license holder; locksmith employees; supervision of locksmith employees by a business qualifier; identification cards issued by the Committee to be displayed during the provision of locksmithing services; and the issuance of temporary courtesy locksmith licenses.

Subchapter 3 sets forth the rules applicable to the licensing and regulation of individuals and business entities engaged in the burglar alarm and/or fire alarm business. The subchapter sets forth the requirements for the following: the initial licensure of individuals and businesses to provide burglar alarm and/or fire alarm services; passing the burglar alarm or fire alarm examination; the application for burglar alarm or fire alarm licensure for an individual or business; the burglar alarm or fire alarm license holder; burglar alarm or fire alarm employees; the supervision of burglar alarm or fire alarm employees by a business qualifier; identification cards issued by the Committee to be displayed during the provision of burglar alarm or fire alarm services; obtaining credit towards burglar

alarm or fire alarm licensure for education, training, experience received while serving as a member of the armed forces; and the issuance of temporary courtesy burglar alarm or fire alarm licenses.

The Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors, in consultation with the Committee, has reviewed the rules and has determined them to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purpose for which they were originally promulgated, as required by Executive Order No. 66 (1978). Therefore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

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