

CHAPTER 632
False Alarms

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CROSS REFERENCES

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Jackson County Code Chapter 202.99

632.01 DEFINITIONS.

Unless the context or subject matter otherwise requires, terms, defined here shall have the following meaning when used in this Chapter.

- (a) Alarm System - means any assembly of equipment and devices installed on premises, buildings or structures for the purpose of signaling the presence of an emergency or hazard requiring urgent attention, including burglar and robbery alarm systems, excepting any system, device, or mechanism primarily protecting a motor vehicle.
- (b) Alarm System User - means the person who owns the premises upon which an alarm system is installed, the tenant of the premises upon which an alarm system is installed, or the subscriber, client, or customer of an alarm company operator.
- (c) Emergency - means the commission or attempted commission of a robbery, burglary, or other criminal activity.
- (d) False Alarm - means the activation of an alarm system resulting in a response by the Jackson County Sheriff's Office when an emergency of the kind for which the alarm system was designed does not exist.

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632.02 FALSE ALARMS - VIOLATION.

It shall be a violation of this Chapter for any alarm system user to allow or fail to prevent their alarm system from signaling a false alarm.

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632.03 WARNING.

Notwithstanding any provision of Chapter 203 of these Codified Ordinances, prior to the issuance of any citation for a false alarm, an employee of the Jackson County Sheriff's Office shall issue the alarm system user a warning of violation upon the signaling of the first false alarm within the past 365 days and upon the signaling of a second false alarm within 365 days of the first false alarm. The warnings of violation may be made either orally or in writing and should be reasonably calculated to apprise the alarm system user that any additional false alarms may result in monetary penalties.

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632.04 ENFORCEMENT.

Upon the signaling of a third false alarm within 365 days of the second false alarm or upon the signaling of any additional false alarm within 365 days of the prior false alarm, this Chapter may be enforced by code enforcement officers in accordance with Chapter 203 of these Codified Ordinances.

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632.99 PENALTY.

The penalties for any violations of this Chapter shall be as set forth in Chapter 202.99 of these Codified Ordinances.

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