

NEW JERSEY

LOCKSMITH, BURGLAR ALARM, FIRE ALARM AND ELECTRICAL SECURITY LAW

- Gives administration and enforcement of the law to the Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm and Locksmith Advisory Committee under the Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors (<http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/nonmedical/firealarm.htm>).
- Licensed required for providing locksmith services which is defined as, “the modification, recombination, repair or installation of mechanical locking devices and electronic security systems for and type of compensation and includes the following: repairing, rebuilding, recoding, servicing, adjusting, installing, manipulating or bypassing of a mechanical or electrical locking device for controlled access or egress to premises, vehicles, safes, vaults, safe doors, lock boxes, automatic teller machines or other devices for safeguarding areas where access is meant to be limited.”
- Electronic security is defined as, “a security system comprised of an interconnected series of device or components, including systems with audio and video signals or other electronic systems which emits or transmits an audible, visual or electronic warning or intrusion and provides notification of authorized entry or exit which is designed to discourage crime.”
- The law does not apply to: minor electrical repair work; connection of portable electric appliances; testing, repairing or servicing of electrical equipment; work with telecommunications including radio and television equipment; and work under 10 volts; on-premises journeyman; self installation on own property; state/municipality/county/school district installation or repair (see law for full listing of exemptions).
- An applicant seeking licensure as a locksmith shall be a least 18 years old, of good moral character(i.e. not been convicted of a crime of first, second or third degree within 10 years prior to filing),
- Must display the state issued identification card at all times.
- License is valid for three years.
- Must maintain a surety bond of at least \$10,000.
- The Board must be made aware of all new employees within 30 days of hiring.

THIS IS A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE LAW AND DOES NOT INTEND TO REPRESENT THE ENTIRE SET OF QUALIFICATIONS OR REQUIREMENTS. FOR FULL TEXT OF THE LAW GO TO:

<http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/electric/eleclaws.pdf>