

OKLAHOMA LOCKSMITH LICENSING

- Law inserts locksmiths into existing alarm licensing law.
- Covers those companies representing the locksmith industry, defined as “The servicing or installing, repairing, rebuilding, readying, repining, adjusting or installing locks, mechanical or electronic security devices, annunciation devices not designed to require a response by law enforcement or opening or bypassing a lock by a means other than those intended by the manufacturer of such devices. For the purposes of this act, "mechanical or electronic security devices" includes, but is not limited to, access control systems including peripheral devices to alarm systems, fiber optic security systems, closed circuit television and nurse call systems.”
- Under the law, a lock is defined as a “mechanical or electronic devices of twenty-four (24) volts or less, designed to control use of a device or control ingress or egress of a structure or automobile, including, but not limited to, peripheral devices to alarm systems, safes, vaults, safe deposit boxes, bio-metric/retina readers and mechanical or electronic key systems.”
- The Alarm and Locksmith Industry Committee shall assist and advise the Commissioner of Health on all matters relating to the formulation of rules, regulations and standards in accordance with the law.
- An applicant applying for a license to engage in the locksmith industry as the business owner or having direct supervision over the function and local operations of that business must meet all of the following qualifications: is at least twenty-one (21) years of age; has not been declared by any court of competent jurisdiction incompetent by reason of mental defect or disease, and has not been restored to competency; is not a habitual user of intoxicating liquors or habit-forming drugs; has not been discharged from the Armed Services of the United States under other than honorable conditions; is of good moral character; and meets such other standards as may be established by the Board relating to experience or knowledge of the locksmith industry.
- The applicant shall advise the Committee and furnish full information on each individual described in subsection A of this section of any conviction of a felony or any crime involving moral turpitude for which a full pardon has not been granted and furnish a recent photograph of a type prescribed by the State Board of Health and two classifiable sets of fingerprints of such individual.
- The licensee shall be responsible for the activities on the part of the licensee's employees.
- Exemptions from licensing includes (but not limited to): an individual who installs locks on their own property or as a normal business practice on the property of another; a tow truck operator or repossession agent within the execution of their duties; law enforcement in the performance of his official duties.

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.lsb.state.ok.us> and search for Text of Measures under Senate 2006 Regular Session for Engrossed SB1741