



Business and Homeowners In Pinellas Sheriff's Jurisdiction Must Now Register Their Alarm Systems To Comply With False Alarm Ordinance

The Sheriff's Alarm Registration Program – "SHARP"

Areas Affected:

Unincorporated Pinellas County

12 Contract Cities:

Belleair Bluffs

Belleair Shore

Belleair Beach

Dunedin

Indian Rocks Beach

Madeira Beach

North Redington Beach

Oldsmar

Redington Beach

Safety Harbor

Seminole

South Pasadena

What: Homeowners and business operators who are located in the unincorporated area of Pinellas County or in the Sheriff's 12 contract cities, must now register their alarm system with the Sheriff's Alarm Registration Program or SHARP.

Applicants can register with SHARP online at the Pinellas Sheriff's Office website, www.pcsoweb.com, and click on the SHARP icon. Registration forms are also available at the Sheriff's Administration Building, the North District Station, at the Clearwater Courthouse and at the city halls of the 12 cities which contract with the Sheriff's Office for public safety services.

There is no fee to register.

The false alarm ordinance requires that home owners and business owners "shall" register their alarm systems.

The purpose of the ordinance is to reduce the number of false alarms in the affected areas.

Where: The ordinance covers the unincorporated area of Pinellas County and the 12 cities currently contracting with the Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services.

When: The Sheriff's Office will begin enforcing the false alarm ordinance on July 1, 2009