

RESORT MUNICIPALITY OF WHISTLER
FIRE AND SECURITY ALARM SYSTEMS BYLAW NO. 1955, 2010

A Bylaw to regulate Fire and Security Alarm Systems.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 196 of the *Community Charter* a municipality may, by bylaw, regulate and impose fees in relation to false alarm responses to fire alarm systems and security alarm systems;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 196 of the *Community Charter* a municipality may vary a fee in relation to the number of occasions service is rendered;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Resort Municipality of Whistler, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

PART 1 – CITATION

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the Resort Municipality of Whistler “Fire and Security Alarm Systems Bylaw No. 1955, 2010”.

PART 2 – DEFINITIONS

2.1 In this Bylaw:

- a) “False alarm” means the activation of a fire alarm system or security alarm system as a result of which services, including fire and police services, are provided by or on behalf of the Resort Municipality and the providers of the services do not find any evidence of fire, fire damage, smoke, criminal activity or unauthorized entry.
- b) “Fire alarm system” means a device or devices installed on or in real property and designed to issue a warning of a fire by activating an audible alarm signal or alerting a monitoring facility but does not include a fire alarm system that is intended to alert only the occupants in a dwelling unit, which it is installed.
- c) “Malicious false fire alarm” means when a person or persons unknown with intent to cause a disruption within a structure has activated a pull station.
- d) “Security alarm system” means a device or devices installed in or on real property and designed to warn of criminal activity or unauthorized entry by activating an audible alarm system or alerting a monitoring facility.

PART 3 – SYSTEM PROTECTION

Pull Station Covers

- 3.1 The owner or occupier of real property or persons who lease or otherwise provide a fire alarm system to them must install pull station covers, meeting ULC/ORD-C268.16-97 “Pull Station Cover Requirements”, on the occurrence of a third malicious false fire alarm respecting the real property occurring in any calendar year. Failure of the owner or occupier of the real property to install pull station covers shall result in the application of Section 4 of this Bylaw.

PART 4 – FEES AND COST RECOVERY

FEES

- 4.1 The owner or occupier of real property, or persons who lease or otherwise provide a fire alarm system or security alarm system to them, must pay to the Resort Municipality a fee of \$150 on the occurrence of a third false alarm. On the occurrence of the fourth false alarm, a fee of \$225 will be charged, and for the fifth and each subsequent false alarm respecting the real property, occurring in any calendar year, a fee of \$300 will be charged.

COST RECOVERY

- 4.2 A fee established under this bylaw remaining unpaid on December 31 in any year is added to and forms part of the taxes payable on the real property as taxes in arrears.

PART 5 – REPEAL OF PREVIOUS BYLAWS

- 5.1 The following bylaws of the municipality are hereby repealed”
- a) Fire and Security Alarm Systems Bylaw No. 1594, 2002.

READ A FIRST TIME this 16th day of November, 2010.

READ A SECOND TIME this 16th day of November, 2010.

READ A THIRD TIME this 16th day of November, 2010.

ADOPTED this 7th day of December, 2010.



Ken Melamed,
Mayor



Laurie-Anne Schimek,
Acting Corporate Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a
true copy of Fire and Security Alarm
Systems Bylaw No. 1955, 2010.

Acting Corporate Officer: L. Schimek

