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## **ELECTRICAL PERMIT FEES FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SECURITY ALARM SYSTEMS**

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This bulletin clarifies the electrical permit fee requirements for the installation of security alarm systems in dwelling units and all other occupancies. The value of installation of a security alarm system is considered to be as follows:

1. For the dwelling units (single dwellings, secondary suites, laneway houses, townhouses, row housings, apartments in condominiums, rental buildings, etc.), the minimum acceptable declared value of a complete basic security alarm system installation in a new or an existing dwelling unit is deemed to be \$800; and the minimum acceptable declared value of the installation of wiring to facilitate future installation of a security alarm system (without equipment being installed) is deemed to be \$250. The permit fees for the foregoing installation must conform to Schedule A of the City of Vancouver Electrical By-law No. 5563.
2. For the other occupancies (assembly, institutional, residential, industrial, business and personal services, mercantile, etc.) and dwelling units with elaborate security alarm systems (in excess of \$800), the minimum acceptable declared value of a security alarm system installation in these occupancies must be based on the cost of work including materials and labour (regardless of whether the customer rents, leases or purchases the security alarm system) as estimated by the security alarm contractor and established to the satisfactions of the City Electrician. The permit fees for the foregoing installation must conform to Schedule A of the City of Vancouver Electrical By-law No. 5563.

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