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**Annual Alarm Permit Application for  
 Alachua County & the City of Gainesville**

**WARNING: Failure to maintain this ANNUAL permit can result in fines of \$200 or more.**

**Resident or Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Site Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Apt/Bldg/Ste:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**First Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Second Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mailing Address (if different):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Permit Type** (Check all that apply): BURGLAR  FIRE  RESIDENTIAL  COMMERCIAL

**Two local contacts who can be reached to assist emergency personnel upon request:**

**Key Holder #1 Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**First Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Second Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Key Holder #2 Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**First Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Second Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Contracting/Service Company**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date of install/service:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Monitoring Company**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date of system activation:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Property Information**  
**Gate Code:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Animals/Pets:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Directions (Rural or obscured buildings):** \_\_\_\_\_

**House Description:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Hazardous Materials:** \_\_\_\_\_

- **A permit is not considered valid until the annual fee is paid in full. Outstanding fines must be paid first before payments can be applied to an annual permit invoice. See Page 2 for fee and fine information.**
- Please contact the False Alarm Reduction Unit for additional assistance in completing this permit application.
- Copies of the ordinances can be obtained upon request by emailing us at [faru@faru.us](mailto:faru@faru.us), or by searching the Alachua County Sheriff's Office website at [www.faru.us](http://www.faru.us).

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION – FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN FINES.**

-- Responsibility for false alarm activations are borne by the alarm operator.

-- Every alarm operator must apply for a non-transferrable permit annually. Permits are valid for one full year from the date of issuance. A **courtesy** reminder will be sent to the mailing address on file two months in advance of expiration, but it is the alarm operator’s responsibility to ensure their system is permitted in accordance with their jurisdiction’s ordinance – **Not receiving the invoice does not absolve the alarm operator of responsibility.**

-- Any changes to mailing addresses or contact information must be made to our office within fifteen (15) days of when the on-file information has changed. This includes changes to mailing addresses, phone numbers for alarm operators, as well as any trusted key-holders who need to be added to or removed from the account.

-- A permit will be revoked if an application contains false information or if ten (10) false alarm violations occur within a permit year, and the alarm operator will need to meet additional criteria in order to have their permit re-instated.

-- Alarm permits for a residence cover both burglar and fire alarm capabilities, and false alarms at a home will fall under the Burglar / Residential category of the fine and fee schedule. Businesses will need to obtain a permit for each type of alarm service being used.

**The costs associated with annual fees and fines can be found here. Residential costs are highlighted in grey:**

	City of Gainesville			Alachua County	
	Burglar / Residential	Fire		Burglar / Residential	Fire
Permit fee	\$23.75	\$20.00	Permit fee	\$15.00	\$15.00
1st fine	\$0	\$0	1st fine	\$0	\$0
2nd fine	\$76.75	\$165.50	2nd fine	\$73.00	\$157.50
3rd fine	\$76.75	\$220.50	3rd fine	\$73.00	\$210.00
4th fine	\$76.75	\$220.50	4th fine	\$73.00	\$210.00
5th fine	\$147.75	\$441.00	5th fine	\$140.75	\$420.00
6th fine	\$147.75	\$441.00	6th fine	\$140.75	\$420.00
7th fine	\$295.50	\$441.00	7th fine	\$281.50	\$420.00
8th fine	\$295.50	\$882.00	8th fine	\$281.50	\$840.00
9th fine	\$589.75	\$882.00	9th fine	\$562.75	\$840.00
10th fine	\$589.75	\$882.00	10th fine	\$562.75	\$840.00
Unpermitted fine:	\$295.50	\$281.00	Unpermitted fine:	\$200.00	\$268.00

Please see our website at [www.faru.us](http://www.faru.us) for further information and to access the ordinances. Feel free to contact our team regarding any questions about the annual fee, fines accrued, or ordinance requirements by reaching us at: [faru@faru.us](mailto:faru@faru.us).

The information does not contain all elements and/or requirements of the Alachua County False Alarm Ordinance, Chapter 121, Articles II and III, Sections 20-37, or the City of Gainesville False Alarm Ordinances, Chapter 21, Article IV, Sections 50-69; Chapter 10, Article IV, Sections 30-49 . For additional information or assistance completing this permit application, please contact the False Alarm Reduction Unit at (352) 265-6650. Copies of the ordinances may be obtained upon request, or by using our website at [www.faru.us](http://www.faru.us).