

Chapter 75

ALARM SYSTEMS

ARTICLE I **False Alarms**

§ 75-1. Definition.

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Edgewood as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

§ 75-2. Permitted number; violations and penalties.

§ 75-3. Authorization for levy and enforcement.

GENERAL REFERENCES

Fire Department — See Ch. 17.
Police Department — See Ch. 49.

Fees — See Ch. 118.
Nuisances — See Ch. 142.

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[Adopted 12-17-2001 by Ord. No. 972]

§ 75-1. Definition.

For purposes of this article, "false alarm" is defined as a call for police or fire services where there is no actual or perceived need for police or fire services and where the call for service is caused by a mechanical or electronic defect in the alarm system or the improper operation or use of the alarm system.

§ 75-2. Permitted number; violations and penalties.

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Borough Code,¹ all private residents and commercial establishments shall be permitted one false alarm call per year. The first offense after the first false alarm shall result in a \$30 fine, after which the resident or commercial establishment shall be fined upon each subsequent violation. This article is being adopted in response to public safety concerns on the part of the Borough of Edgewood due to unusually high false alarm calls to the Police and Fire Departments. The fines shall be as follows:

Numbers of Offenses	Fine
First offense	\$30
Subsequent Offenses	\$50

1. Editor's Note: See 53 P.S. § 45101 et seq.

§ 75-3. Authorization for levy and enforcement.

The proper Borough officials are hereby authorized to levy said fines and to enforce said fines in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the ordinances of the Borough of Edgewood.