

~~(D)~~ (E) "ALARM USER" MEANS THE OPERATOR OWNER OR LESSEE OF AN ALARM SYSTEM.

~~(E)~~--"ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES"--MEANS:

~~(1)~~--LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES; (F) "LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY" MEANS THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE, BALTIMORE CITY POLICE AND THE POLICE OF ANY COUNTY--OR INCORPORATED MUNICIPALITY, AND SHERIFF'S--DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE ANY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT HAS THE POWER TO ARREST.

~~(F)~~ (G) (1) "FALSE ALARM" MEANS ANY REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE LAW--ENFORCEMENT--AGENCIES' ASSISTANCE BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY REGARDLESS OF CAUSE THAT IS NOT IN RESPONSE TO AN ACTUAL EMERGENCY SITUATION OR THREATENED SUGGESTED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.

INCLUDES: ~~(2)~~--FALSE----ALARMS----INCLUDE: (2) "FALSE ALARM"

(I) NEGLIGENTLY OR ACCIDENTALLY ACTIVATED SIGNALS;

(II) SIGNALS THAT ARE THE RESULT OF FAULTY, MALFUNCTIONING, OR IMPROPERLY INSTALLED OR MAINTAINED EQUIPMENT; AND

(III) SIGNALS THAT ARE PURPOSELY ACTIVATED TO SUMMON THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN NONEMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

(3) "FALSE ALARM" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

(I) SIGNALS ACTIVATED BY UNUSUALLY SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS OR OTHER CAUSES BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE ALARM USER OR ALARM BUSINESS SYSTEM CONTRACTOR; AND OR

(II) ALARMS SIGNALS ACTIVATED DURING THE INITIAL 60-DAY PERIOD FOLLOWING NEW INSTALLATION.

(4) (I) AN ALARM SYSTEM THAT IS ACTIVATED A SECOND TIME WITHIN A 12-HOUR PERIOD WHEN THE PREMISES ARE UNOCCUPIED SHALL BE DEEMED 1 FALSE ALARM IF:

1. ACCESS TO THE BUILDING IS PROVIDED TO THE ALARM SYSTEM CONTRACTOR; AND

2. AN ALARM COMPANY--TECHNICIAN SYSTEM CONTRACTOR OR AN EMPLOYEE OF AN ALARM SYSTEM CONTRACTOR RESPONDS.

(II) FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH PARAGRAPH-(F)(4)(1) OF--THIS--SECTION ITEM (1) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL RESULT IN EACH SUBSEQUENT ALARM BEING COUNTED AS A FALSE ALARM.