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# LAS VEGAS FIRE & RESCUE

## Fire Prevention Division

### Information Sheet

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*The items listed are basic information only. Please refer to adopted codes for specific details. Codes are subject to change. Additional requirements may apply.*

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Ordinance # 6918

### Regulation for False and Nuisance Alarms

The intent of this regulation is to clarify the thresholds for fines for false, nuisance and excessive alarms that Las Vegas Fire & Rescue receives and responds to.

#### GENERAL

As specified within Section 401.5 of the 2024 International Fire Code, a person shall not give, signal or transmit a false alarm.

#### REGULATION

The *fire code official* is authorized to levy fines to the installer, Maintenance Company or occupant of a building as follows:

Upon notification and confirmation of any two false or nuisance fire alarms in a thirty-day period, a *fire hazard warning notice* shall be issued to the responsible party. Any subsequent false or nuisance fire alarms over the next thirty consecutive days shall be subject to fines established in the most recently adopted permit and fee schedule and issued to the responsible party.

#### DEFINITIONS

**Excessive alarms** - Any fire alarm signal in excess of two alarm signals transmitted over a 30 day period.

**False alarm** – The willful and knowing initiation or transmission of a signal, message or other notification of an event of fire when no such danger exists.

**Nuisance alarm** – An alarm caused by mechanical failure, malfunction, improper installation, or lack of proper maintenance, or an alarm activated by a cause that cannot be determined