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The Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm and Locksmith Advisory Committee announces that it has recently readopted and amended its rules (N.J.A.C. 13:31A).

The following rule may be of particular importance to licensees:

N.J.A.C. 13:31A-1.12©

Continuing Education Requirements, Amendment Effective October 5, 2009

A licensee shall complete a minimum of two continuing education credits in the Barrier Free Subcode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7, two (2) continuing education credits in the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, N.J.A.C. 5:23, exclusive of the Barrier Free Subcode, two (2) continuing education credits in the Americans with Disabilities Act Code, 36 CFR 1191 and two (2) continuing education credits in industrial safety per triennial registration period. A licensee seeking renewal of a burglar alarm license shall complete a minimum of three credits of continuing education per triennial registration period in smoke detection systems. A licensee may take a maximum of 12 credits per triennial registration period in continuing education courses related to business and/or law. A licensee shall obtain the balance of continuing education credits in trade-related subjects.

However, the Advisory Committee has determined, due to the date of the adopted rule and its potential impact on the completion of required continuing education for the renewal of licenses on August 31, 2010, that the completion of one (1) continuing education credit in the Barrier Free Subcode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7, one (1) continuing education credit in the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, N.J.A.C. 5:23, exclusive of the Barrier Free Subcode, and one (1) continuing education credit in the Americans with Disabilities Act Code, is acceptable for renewal of a license.

The following rule may be of particular importance to individuals licensed in other states who seek alarm or locksmith licenses in New Jersey:

N.J.A.C. 13:31A-1.10

Qualifications

for licensure for applicants licensed in other states, Amendment Effective October 5, 2009

1. (a) Any person with a valid registration, certification or license to engage in the burglar alarm or fire alarm business or the provision of locksmithing services issued by another state or possession of the United States or the District of Columbia may, upon the submission of a Committee-provided application and the payment of the fee set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:31A-1.4, be issued a license to engage in the burglar alarm or fire alarm business or the provision of locksmithing services in the State, whichever is applicable, provided that:

2. The applicant submits an application for licensure by reciprocity to the Committee;

3. The applicant submits verification from all states in which he or she holds a registration, certification or license to engage in the burglar alarm or fire alarm business or in the provision of locksmithing services, whichever is applicable, establishing that such registrations, certifications or licenses are in good standing;

4. The applicant successfully completes the burglar alarm, fire alarm or locksmith examination, whichever is applicable, as set forth in N.J.A.C. 13:31A-2.3 or 3.2;

5. The applicant successfully completes, within three years immediately preceding the date of application, two hours of training in the Barrier Free Subcode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7, two hours of training in the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, N.J.A.C. 5:23, exclusive of the Barrier Free Subcode, two hours of training in the Americans with Disabilities Act Code, 36 CFR 1191, and two hours of training in industrial safety;

6. The applicant submits his or her fingerprints for the purpose of permitting a criminal history records check.

Revised license applications will soon be posted on the Advisory Committee web site. In the interim, please call the Advisory Committee office for an application.

For a full copy of the recently readopted and amended rules, please click "**Laws & Regulations**", then click "**Adoptions**". Scroll down the page to October 5, 2009. The readopted and amended rules may be downloaded from the site.