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# FIRE ALARM Permit Application & Checklist

A permit is required for fire alarms. The following application and checklist must be completed in full in order for a permit application to be reviewed. Applications shall be submitted electronically. Each drawing sheet and document shall be submitted as a separate file with a descriptive file name (revisions to previously submitted plans shall have the same file name as the previous version.

#### **Application Checklist:**

#### ✓ Vectored PDF plans, including the following:

- Accurate, scalable floor plan(s)
- Graphic scale
- Each plan shall have a 3 inch by 3 inch space reserved in the top right corner for city approval stamp
- Each plan shall have "FA", sheet number and a descriptive title, with each sheet saved as a separate file
- Wiring diagram(s)
- Annunciator details
- Operations matrix
- Designer qualifications (copy of NICET IV certificate or stamped plans and documents)
- Battery and voltage calculations
- ✓ Scope of Work
- **✓** Equipment data sheets
- ✓ Electrical Permit

#### All fire alarm permits are subject to the following:

- Design shall comply with City Code Ch. 10 and Fire Department Regulations Ch. 5
- A formal code analysis may be required depending on the complexity of the property
- Reflected ceiling or electrical plans are not acceptable. Plans shall represent only the fire alarm system.

Separate permits are required for internal and external plumbing and electrical installations. For questions on Fire Department requirements, call the Fire Prevention Officer at (207) 874-8405.

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## **Fire Alarm Permit Application**

Construction Address:		
Total Square Footage of Proposed Structure:		
Tax Assessor's Chart, Block & Lot	Applicant Name:	
Chart# Block# Lot#	Address:	
Cost of Work: \$	Phone:	
	Email:	
Lessee/Owner Name (if different):	Contractor Name (if different):	
Address:	Address:	
Phone:	Phone:	
Email:	Email:	
Current use (i.e. single family):		
If vacant, what was the previous use?		
Proposed specific use:		
Is property part of a subdivision? If yes, name:		
Project description:		
Life Safety Code Occupancy Classification:		
Is this new work or a renovation to an existing system?		
Is the top occupiable floor of the building greater than 75 feet above the lowest level of Fire Department		
access (high-rise)?		
Name of company providing programming and certification of system*:		
Electrical permit #:		
Will a master box be installed? Yes	No If yes, complete all items for approval):	
AES approved installing contractor:		
Documentation of AES approval:		
Property Owner:		
Property Owner Billing Address:		
Property common name:		
E-911 address for protected premises:		
Emergency contact phone: Ad	lditional emergency contact phone:	
Number of stories protected:		
Is the building protected by a supervised, automat	ic sprinkler system? Yes No	
Name of person to contact when the permit is ready:		
Address:		
City, State & Zip:		
Email Address:	Phone:	

<sup>\*</sup>For a list of approved fire alarm companies, see <a href="www.portlandmaine.gov/1486/Approved-Fire-Alarm-Companies">www.portlandmaine.gov/1486/Approved-Fire-Alarm-Companies</a>
389 Congress Street, Room 315/Portland Maine 04101/<a href="www.portlandmaine.gov/tel:207-874-8703/fax:207-874-8716">www.portlandmaine.gov/tel:207-874-8703/fax:207-874-8716</a>



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### **Requirements for Electronic Submissions**

In order to ensure the most expedient review of your application, please meet the requirements below for all submissions:

- All applications must be submitted electronically via e-mail to permitting@portlandmaine.gov. Paper applications will not be accepted.
- Drawings sheets shall be submitted individually-- each PDF file shall contain no more than
  one drawing sheet. Only PDF files are acceptable for plan review, and each file shall not
  exceed 5MB in size.\*
- Drawing files shall be named based on the drawing sheet number and name. It is recommended to include a Category/Discipline letter (such as A for Architectural), a sheet number and a descriptive title (e.g., A1 Existing Exterior Elevation).
- Revised file submissions must use the <u>exact same file name</u> as originally submitted. The Electronic Plan Review software will recognize this submission as Version 2.
- Supporting documents shall be submitted as an individual PDF file for each document (these documents may be multi-page PDF files) and named based on the document type (e.g., "Deed", "Stormwater Report", "Permit Application", etc.). Searchable PDF files are requested for calculations, reports and other supporting documents.
- A graphic scale or a scale to reference shall be included on each drawing sheet.
- Plans prepared by a design professional shall include a Code Analysis sheet, referencing
  the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code and Portland City Code, Chapter 10 Fire
  Prevention and Protection, which includes National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1,
  Fire Code and NFPA 101, Life Safety Code. Chapter 10 of the City Code can be viewed at:
  <a href="http://www.portlandmaine.gov/citycode/chapter010.pdf">http://www.portlandmaine.gov/citycode/chapter010.pdf</a>.
- Files shall be submitted via email to <u>permitting@portlandmaine.gov</u>. The email subject line shall include the project address and type of permit. Multiple emails may be sent for one project if the files exceed the maximum file size.
- Submissions should include all required documents and drawings as listed on the appropriate Submission Checklist sheet specific to the type of work being performed.

For further information and to access PDF versions of this and other forms, visit the Permitting and Inspections Department online at <a href="http://portlandmaine.gov/1728/Permitting-Inspections">http://portlandmaine.gov/1728/Permitting-Inspections</a>.

<sup>\*</sup>To download a free version of Adobe Acrobat Reader, please visit: https://get.adobe.com/reader/



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#### Electronic Signature and Fee Payment Confirmation

This is a legal document and your electronic signature is considered a legal signature per Maine state law. You will receive an e-mailed invoice from our office which signifies that your electronic permit application has been received and is ready for payment. Please pay by one of the following:

- Electronic check or credit card: <u>portlandmaine.gov/payyourpermit</u>
- > Over the phone at (207) 874-8703
- > Drop off to Room 315, City Hall
- Mail to:

City of Portland Permitting and Inspections Department 389 Congress Street, Room 315 Portland, Maine 04101

By signing below, I understand the review process starts once my payment has been received. After all approvals have been completed, my permit will be issued via e-mail. Work may not commence until permit is issued.

Applicant Signature:	Date:
I have provided electronic copies and sent themon:	Date:
<b>NOTE:</b> All electronic paperwork must be delivered to <a href="mailto:permitting@portlandmaine.g">permitting@portlandmaine.g</a> drive to the office.	gov or with a thumb
If you or the property owner owes taxes or user charges on property witl	hin the City,

payment arrangements must be made before a permit application is accepted.