



An tÚdarás Slándála Príobháidí
The Private Security Authority

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Welcome to our new look Newsletter. In this edition we share details of our new Social Media Channels, the commencement date for the licensing of individuals working as Private Investigators, an Enforcement Focus update and updated guidelines for PSA 74:2019.



PSA Social Media Channels

The PSA has launched 3 new Social Media channels to share and announce news on regulation, consumer awareness, events and industry information.

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/the-private-security-authority-ireland/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ThePSAIreland/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ThePSAIreland>

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Private Investigators

From November 1st 2022, all individuals working as Private Investigators will be required to hold a licence issued by the PSA. The cost of this three year licence will be €90. Applicants can apply online at www.psa-gov.ie nearer the introduction date.

The PSA will hold a forum meeting of all licensed Private Investigator contractors on **Tuesday, October 18th 2022** in the Killeshin Hotel, Portlaoise from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. The focus of the meeting will be the introduction of employee licensing to the sector.



Enforcement Focus

During the period January 1st to August 30th 2022, the Private Security Authority (PSA) commenced **584** enforcement cases to ensure compliance with the licensing regulations, as relevant.

We undertook **73** contractor inspections, carried out **73** unannounced compliance inspections on **627** licensed premises, and **167** investigated buyer of security cases.....

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Updated Auditing Guidelines for PSA 74:2019

The PSA 74:2019 Auditing Guidelines have been updated to include the requirement for **client agreement prior to the remote access of Electronic Security Systems**. The updated document is available [here](#)

The following details the clauses which have been amended :

- **3.5 Organisation Information**
 - Clause 3.5.2(g) “agreement by client required prior to any remote access of electronic security system”
- **6.1 Security**
 - Clause 6.1.7 “Any remote access to a client’s electronic security system should not be undertaken without the written permission of the client”
 - Clause 6.1.8 “records of all access to a client’s system on a remote basis shall be kept for a minimum of 3 years”



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