An tÚdarás Slándála Príobháidí The Private Security Authority

PSA Newsletter December 2024

Welcome to our December Newsletter.



On 5 December 2024, the PSA published our Annual Report and Financial Statements for 2023. You can see the press release with further details and a copy of the report on our website at <u>www.psa.gov.ie</u>

Domestic Video Surveillance (CCTV) Systems and Data Protection

A domestic video surveillance system must not capture images from neighbouring premises or public spaces. Follow the link for more information on data protection and domestic CCTV, which PSA contractors should bring to the attention of their clients: <u>CCTV and Data Protection</u>.

PSA Prosecution for unlicensed Door Security

On the 27 November 2024, the Private Security Authority (PSA) prosecuted H&H Security Limited of Turra, Ballickmoyler, Co. Laois for breaches of the Private Security Services Acts. The Judge awarded costs of €5,935.44 against the company. The prosecution arose from an investigation by the PSA into the provision of door supervisor services in Enniscorthy, Co Wexford during 2022.

Enforcement Update

We publish details of all revoked and suspended licences on our website in real time. You can find details on all Contractor and Employee suspensions and revocations since 1 January 2023 located <u>here</u> under the Sanctions webpage on our website <u>www.psa-gov.ie/sanctions</u>

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Helping Us Make A Decision On Your Application

Every year, the PSA makes thousands of decisions on whether to grant or refuse a licence. Most applicants are granted a licence but if your application is being considered for refusal we will notify you in advance and provide you with an opportunity to make representations as to why we should not refuse your application.

When responding to such a notification the following are some of the things which might support your application:

- Evidence of rehabilitation.
- References Independent references will bear a greater influence over references from family members or friends. References must clearly describe how they know you and the time period over which they have known you. They must also confirm that they know about the reason(s) why your application is being considered for refusal by referring to the specifics and are still prepared to provide the reference.

For details on the potential impact criminal convictions/charges, cases pending or other issues have on your eligibility for a licence please see our <u>Fit and Proper</u><u>Guidelines</u>.

Reporting A Crime

One of our objectives is to reduce criminality and misconduct in the security industry. We work closely with An Garda Síochána, Revenue Commissioners and other public bodies to tackle illegal activity. If you have concerns that a crime is being committed, you can call **CRIMESTOPPERS** anonymously on **1800 250 025**. Alternatively, you can report matters relating to the security industry by email to <u>enforcement@psa-gov.ie</u> or through our website <u>here.</u>

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