An tÚdarás Slándála Príobháidí The Private Security Authority

# **PSA Newsletter April 2025**

Welcome to our April Newsletter.

## Licensing of Suppliers or Installers of Safes

With effect from **30 May 2025**, contractors providing security services as a supplier or installer of safes will require a PSA licence. Further details can be found <u>here.</u> Contractors applying for a Supplier or Installer of Safes Licence must meet the requirements of <u>PSA 74:2019</u> & <u>PSA 94:2024</u>.

In addition, only those licensed by the PSA will be able to advertise or represent themselves as a licensed Supplier or Installer of Safes. It will also be an offence for a person to engage or employ an unlicensed contractor in this sector. The Authority will maintain a register of contractor licence holders on our website <u>www.psagov.ie</u>.

**IMPORTANT:** Please note that if you are <u>already a licensed Locksmith</u> and also intend to be a licensed Supplier or Installer of Safes, you are only required to meet <u>PSA 55:2022</u> and <u>PSA 94:2024</u>.

# <u>PSA Research – Barriers to working in the industry</u>



In our February 2025 Newsletter, we requested volunteers to participate in Research to identify barriers to working in the security industry. Please see a link to the **final report** which can be now found on our website.

The Research was conducted from December 2024 to March 2025 and consisted of interviews with security companies, an online survey and focus groups comprising of current and former industry workers.

The report provides the PSA, and the industry, with key insights that may assist in achieving greater equity, diversity and inclusion within the security industry.

The Research has found that the critical issues affecting the industry are recruitment, retention, and diversity in the security sector. As the industry Regulator, the PSA will consider the recommendations as part of developing our new Strategic Plan 2026-2028.

## <u>Compliance operations by the PSA, Revenue, Dept. of</u> <u>Social Protection and An Garda Síochána</u>

On 29 March 2025, the PSA in collaboration with Revenue, the Department of Social Protection and An Garda Síochána, carried out cross-compliance checks on the Door Supervisor sector in Limerick City. This type of operation provides a good example of what can be achieved when Government Departments and Agencies collaborate, ensuring value for money for the public.

This compliance operation follows similar Door Supervisor cross-compliance checks in conjunction with Revenue in Sligo on 7 March and Letterkenny on 21 March. Our Inspectors will be increasing their presence and visiting business premises including retail, bars, nightclubs and hotels to check that licensed security providers are being engaged.

Door Supervisors and Security Guards must wear an identity badge displaying their licence number and their photo. The identity badge must be clearly visible at all times and displayed on the upper torso (above the stomach and below the neck). You can report unlicensed door staff and security guards through our <u>website</u>.



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