

Welcome to the June edition of PSA Watch, the ezine of the Private Security Authority.

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Public Consultation On Electronic Security – Access Control

The PSA is seeking the views of Electronic Security Contractors, the wider security industry and the general public on a proposed new standard for security contractors providing services in the Access Control Sector.

A public consultation document which sets out what the requirements for contractors might be has been published and is available on our website, www.psa.gov.ie. The consultation is part of the process which will see the new standard replace SR40 as the requirement for licensing in the sector.

Closing date for receipt of submissions is Monday, the 10th July 2017.

This is the first step in a review of all our standards in the Electronic Security sector and further public consultation for the CCTV and Intruder Alarm areas will take place at a later date.

New Webform for reporting Unlicensed Security Services
([click here](#))

New Board of the Private Security Authority

The term of office of the current Board of the PSA is due to expire on the 17th July 2017. The Minister for Justice and Equality is currently seeking applications from suitable candidates for a new Board. Applications can be made through the Stateboards.ie website and the closing date for receipt of applications is the 4th July 2017.

Employment Regulation Order

A new Employment Regulation Order (ERO) for the Security Guarding sector was signed into law by the Minister of State for Employment and Small Business on the 30th May 2017. The ERO came into effect on June 1, 2017 and a copy of the document is available [here](#).

The €10.75 rate increases to €11.05 with effect from the 1st June 2017. PSA inspectors will be checking for compliance with the ERO during their visits to employers. The PSA will also be working closely with the Workplace Relations Commission with whom we have a Memorandum of Understanding which provides for the sharing of information and joint operations.

There are currently 23,000 Security Guarding individual licences in circulation and 200 licensed Security Guarding contractors.

Feedback

We welcome your feedback on our ezine and its contents. We also welcome any suggestions for future issues. You can contact us at info@psa.gov.ie.

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Thank You

ISEC 2017

The PSA attended ISEC 2017 at The Conference Centre in Citywest on the 26th and 27th of April 2017. Our CEO Paul Scallan spoke at the event on developments in the security industry and the PSA stand had many visitors over the two days.



From Left: CEO Paul Scallan, Colin Murphy, Padraic Cafferty (Board Member), Siobhan Carew and Josephine Crowe in Citywest.

Contractor Online Renewal System Goes Live

As part of our commitment to improving services to licence holders, the PSA has launched an online renewal service for Contractors. Contractors will now receive an email with a password and renewal guide in advance of the expiry of their licence. They will then be able to log into the renewal system to apply and pay for their licence. The new system will be accessible via our website, www.psa.gov.ie.

The new system removes the requirement for Contractors to submit paper applications and associated documentation via the post. This should reduce the amount of time contractors spend on their renewal application and ensure a speedier delivery of their new licence.

Customer Charter

We are delighted to announce the launch of our Customer Charter and Action Plan. These are another step in improving our services to licence holders. The documents set out our customer service commitments and you can access both documents through the links below.

[Customer Charter](#)

[Customer Service Action Plan](#)

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