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## **New Website Launched**

We have redesigned our website with the aim of improving how we communicate with our licence holders and the public. Over the coming weeks more content will be added including a social media channel and enhanced consumer information for the public.



The new website has necessitated a change in the site address to www.psagov.ie with the .gov in the old address changing to a –gov in the new one. Both the old and new address will operate side by side for a period before the .gov.ie address is closed.

Our email addresses have also changed from <u>xxxx@psa.gov.ie</u> to <u>xxxx@psa.gov.ie</u>. This includes personal addresses for staff and the corporate addresses for business units. For the next few months emails coming into the old addresses will automatically forward to the new ones.

Please take the time to update you contact details for the PSA and visit the website.

## **International Research Of Security Guards**

Perpetuity Research has been commissioned by The International Foundation for Protection Officers (IFPO) to undertake an international study to explore the roles, responsibilities and training of security guards. The researchers are seeking participants from Ireland. The survey which consists of mostly multichoice questions will take no more than 15 minutes and is anonymous.

If you are a security guard or a security supervisor please consider taking part in this research. Further details are available on the Perpetuity Research website, <u>www.perpetuityresearch.com</u>.

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## **CCTV And Domestic Dwellings**

We have been asked by the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner to bring the attention of CCTV Installers to the data protection implications of installing a CCTV system in a domestic setting. Systems which capture images from a neighbours property or public spaces may be in breach of data protection regulations and have serious implications for the householder.

Contractors should advise householders if their CCTV system will capture images (and sounds) of people outside of the perimeter of their property. The contractor should record this information in the System Design Proposal and As Fitted Document presented to the householder.

We have published an information note on our website which installers should study and bring to the attention of their clients.

## **Licensing Statistics**

Licensing statistics at the end of 2020.

Sector	Employees	Contractors
Door Supervisor (Event Security)	N/A	36
Door Supervisor (Licensed Premises)	11,966	48
Locksmith	N/A	224
Private Investigator	N/A	107
Security Guard (Alarm Monitoring)*	673	36
Security Guard (CCTV Monitoring)	N/A	31
Security Guard (Event Security)	N/A	49
Security Guard (Static)	26,390	184
Electronic Security Sector (Access Control, CCTV & Intruder Alarm)	N/A	1,041
Cash In Transit	1,105	4
Total **	40,134	1,760

\* The figure for individuals includes Alarm Monitoring and CCTV Monitoring as one licence covers both categories.

\*\*The number of licences issued is greater than the number of licensed individuals and contractors as some licence holders have licences in multiple sectors.

### Information Note On Data Protection and Domestic CCTV

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IN	FORMATION NOTE ON DATA PROTECTION AND DOMESTIC CCTV
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be PSA is loading th	ik information note to inform contractors and householders who install and maintain CCTV in donestic
ettings of the Data	Protection implications which may enter. Contractors should bring this nate to the attention of their
iomestic clients.	
Domestic CCTV	
will never be asse	ptable for a householder to operate a CCTV system in a manner that captures images of their neighbours
their homes or ga	edans or driveways. These are private spaces. Where a householder's CCIV system operates in a way the
aptures images of a	people in shared or public spaces such as common areas, streets, roadways or footpaths, It is <u>unlikely</u> that
he householder's p	urposes for operating the CCTV system will outenigh the data protection rights of those people who may
use their day to do	ly activities recorded by the CCTV system. As a rule of idsumb, operating cameras in such a manner <u>is not</u>
ermitted under the	COPH and comerac should not be installed or orientated so as to capture public speces or private
experty other than	that of the bouvelokler.
Household Exer	ption
he scope of data p	rotection legislation is set out in Article 2 of the GDPR, which states that the GDPR does not apply to the
excessing of person	rail data by a natural person in the course of a purely personal or household activity. This provision is
conversity referred	to as the household, or domentic, esemption.
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a householder he	a CCTV system that captures images (and sounds) of people outside of the perimeter of their property.
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lemonstrate that th	rep have a lawful basis for operating the CCTV system, install appropriate signage on the boundaries of
hele property for to	anguarency, must keep any personal data safe and only for a Tented period, and must respond to any
comic requests or r	equests for erasure from affected neighbours and individuals who contact the householder.
What happens if	a householder fails to comply with Data Protection Law
a householder fail	to comply with data protection law the Data Protection Commission (DPC) may take action against the
cusholder and/or	the householder may be exposed to a claim for clamages in the sourts by any effected neighbours and
ither persons. Furth	we information is available from <u>www.detaprotection.ie</u>
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heir property. This	information should be recorded in the System Design Proposal and As Fitted Document presented to the
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	This is not a legal document and cannot be relied upon as a legal interpretation of the Data Protection Acts, Further information on the obligations of knowledges with CCTV volume can
and the second se	be found on the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner website, were determination in
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## Feedback

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

If you wish to unsubscribe or a colleague wishes to have their name added to our distribution list please let us know at <u>info@psa-</u> <u>gov.ie</u>

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