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# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF STATE POLICE

Special Licensing And Firearms Unit

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# Public Act 08-73

Changes Affecting Security Services, Security Officers, and Course Instructors

Pursuant to Public Act 08-73, please take note of the following summary of significant changes in state law and agency administrative procedures effective October 1, 2008.

#### **Course Instructors**

- On or after October 1, 2008, all security officer training course instructors and blue card instructors must apply and obtain a certificate of approval from Commissioner of DPS to conduct such training.
- If such training course has been previously approved by Commissioner on or before September 30, 2008, the instructor of such course shall have until April 1, 2009 to apply for a certificate of approval.
- All security officer training courses must be updated to include instruction relative to Public Act 08-73.
- Approval shall be valid for two (2) years.
- Application and Renewal fee shall be twenty dollars (\$20.00).
- Initial Applications submitted with State & FBI fingerprint cards will also require two (2) separate Cashiers Checks or Money Orders for fees of \$25.00 and \$19.25.

#### **Security Officers**

- Effective October 1, 2008 all security officer licenses and renewals issued shall be valid for five (5) years with a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- All security officer license applications and renewals received or post-marked on or after October 1, 2008 will be subject to new licensing term and fee.
- All issued security officer licenses (guard card) shall be carried by the security officer at all times while performing the duties associated with the security officer's employment.
- All registered security officers, in the course of performing their duties, shall present their guard card for inspection upon request of a law enforcement officer.

#### **Security Services**

- No person, firm or corporation shall employ or otherwise engage any person as a security officer unless such person is a licensed security officer AND the security service employing such security officer has applied to register such security officer with DPS. \*(Proprietary entities are only required to register ARMED guards with DPS)

### **New Fines and Penalties**

\*Refer to Public Act 08-73 for specific changes, fines and penalties.