



Resolution of the False Alarm Reduction Association Regarding ANSI-SIA CP-01 Control Panel Standard

Objective: To express FARA's full support for all alarm dealers to install ANSI-SIA CP-01 Control Panel Standard (CP-01 Standard) compliant panels in new installations and to urge municipalities and counties to require alarm dealers to install ANSI-SIA CP-01 Control Panel Standard (CP-01 Standard) compliant panels in new installations.

Explanation:

The CP-01 Standard was created to address the fact that most false alarms caused by user errors occur during entry to, and exit from, alarm sites. Common scenarios addressed by the standard include:

- User Arms - Exits - Re-enters...
- User Arms - Fails to Exit in time...
- User Arms - Building still occupied...
- User Arms - Exits through Wrong Door...
- User Arms - Fails to exit at all...
- User enters - forgets code...
- User enters - fails to disarm within delay time...
- User enters - unfamiliar with system...
- User enters - through the wrong door...

Industry committees concluded that false alarms caused by these common occurrences can be significantly reduced by changing panel features and programming to conform to the CP-01 Standard. Control panels that comply with the CP-01 Standard come programmed from the factory to default settings that will result in the maximum reduction of false alarms.

FARA does not encourage required replacement of equipment for users without a history of false alarms.

Whereas, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) has passed a resolution urging municipalities and counties to require the CP-01 Standard for all alarm control panels and calling for panel manufacturers to comply with the standard in producing all new panels.

Whereas, the FARA Board of Directors believes, for the reasons stated in the explanation above, that the implementation by alarm dealers of the CP-01 Standard will benefit all parties involved; i.e., public safety, the alarm industry and the alarm user; and

Whereas, one of the FARA's objectives is to reduce unnecessary false dispatches.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the FARA Board of Directors strongly encourages municipalities and counties to require alarm dealers to install ANSI-SIA CP-01 Control Panel Standard (CP-01 Standard) compliant panels in new installations and strongly encourages all alarm dealers to voluntarily install ANSI-SIA CP-01 Control Panel Standard (CP-01 Standard) compliant panels in new installations, even if it is not required.

Passed by unanimous consent of the undersigned Board of Directors of FARA this 28th day of June, 2007.

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