## Attention! Contractors, Owners & Tenants



## **Prevent The False Alarm!**



Prior to starting any construction, demolition or even cosmetic work, and along with obtaining the required permits, a thorough inspection must be performed to determine if there is a fire alarm or sprinkler system in the building in which work is planned. This is a question that should also be directed to the building owner and or tenant.

Some things to look for:

Smoke/Heat Detectors, Alarm Panels, Sprinkler Heads, Fire Alarm Pull Boxes, Wall mounted Fire Alarm Horn-Strobes, Red Wiring In Walls & Ceilings.

Dust from sheetrock, sanding, and cleaning, steam, fumes, vibrations, accidentally touching alarm wires and coming in contact with fire alarm pull boxes are all potential ways in which fire alarm systems can be activated and result in a false alarm. This alarm activation results in the unnecessary response of the local volunteer fire department, which in turn costs the taxpayers and puts the volunteers at risk!

NOTIFICATION MUST BE MADE TO THE ALARM COMPANY AND ROCKLAND COUNTY FIRE DISPATCH (44-CONTROL) BEFORE ANY TYPE OF WORK IS BEGUN AND HAVE THE SYSTEM TAKEN OFF LINE (disabled) UNTIL THE WORK IS COMPLETE. THE NAME AND NUMBER OF THE ALARM COMPANY CAN BE FOUND ON THE FIRE ALARM PANEL BOX AND /OR KEYPAD.

The telephone number for Rockland County Fire Dispatch is 845-364-8888

If work needs to be done over several days or weeks, systems must be reactivated at the conclusion of the workday. If an alarm system is taken out of service, it must be put back in service upon completion of the work!

If proper precautions are not taken and unnecessary fire alarms are transmitted, property owners, tenants, contractors and alarm companies will subject to local and state code violations, which can result in escalating fines with each subsequent false alarm.

False Alarms cost lives, waste time and cost money!

Be responsible and do your part in helping the Volunteer Firefighters of Rockland County!