

## **Pass Codes**

Since the Lafayette Police Department enacted the False Alarm Ordinance, there has been a dramatic decrease in the amount of false alarm activations. It has been discovered that user error is the number one cause of false alarms. This problem could be easily corrected by distributing pass codes or code words to persons who utilize the alarm system and have access to the facility. Some suggestions include:

1. Issue a pass code to the keypad, which can also be used as the password for the monitoring center to cancel false activations.
2. Issue pass codes before an individual is issued a key to the site.

When proper pass codes are provided to security monitoring centers police are not dispatched. Police Officers are then available to be dispatched to other types of emergency calls and the alarm user is not fined for a false activation.