

Licenses Expire On December 31

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All security guards, security guard agencies and private investigators are reminded that their licenses will expire on December 31, 2008 and should be renewed by January 31, 2009.

Renewal applications must be accompanied by a six-month valid police certificate of character.

Non-nationals applying for, or renewing licences must provide documentation verifying that they are residents or citizens of Barbados, or have work permits.

Security guards, security guard agencies and private investigators are advised that Section 17 Clause (2) (c) and (d) of the Private Investigators and Security Guards Act Cap. 372 E states: "A licence is subject to the terms and conditions as are specified in the licence and is renewable in the month of January in each year upon application to the Board in the approved form and on payment of the prescribed fee."

Persons falling into these categories should also note that Section 14 (1) and (2) of the Act reads: "No person may provide services as a private investigator or security guard or operate an agency engaged in the business of providing the services of private investigators or security guards, unless he is licensed under this Act."

Under Section 2 of the Act, "A person who contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and is liable on conviction on indictment to a fine of \$5,000 or imprisonment for two years or both."