



### **Simplified Permitting Process – Fire Alarms (FSS 553.7932)**

1. All documents shall meet the requirements of:
  - Florida Administrative Code: CHAPTER 61G15-32: RESPONSIBILITY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS CONCERNING THE DESIGN OF FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS
  - Currently adopted Florida Fire Prevention Code and NFPA standards
  - All applicable Florida State Statutes (FSS)
  - Currently adopted St. Lucie County Fire District Fire Prevention Code and Fee Schedule (Jurisdiction-specific).
2. Permit Qualifications – fire alarm system alteration of a total of 20 or fewer initiating devices and notification devices, the installation or replacement of a fire communicator connected to an existing fire alarm control panel in an existing commercial, residential, apartment, cooperative, or condominium building, or the replacement of an existing fire alarm panel using the same make and model as the existing panel.
  - “Alteration” means to add, install, relocate, replace or remove (FSS 553.7932)
3. FSS 553.7932(5) requires a contractor to keep a copy of the plans and specifications, along with the permit, at the fire alarm system project worksite and make such plans and specifications available to the inspector at each inspection.
4. An inspection will be provided within three (3) business days after such inspection is requested.
5. Once the inspector has approved the plans at the job site, these plans and specifications must be submitted to SLCFD in order to close the permit.
6. Please Note:
  - If a fire alarm project does not meet the parameters of FSS 553.7932, a regular Fire Alarm System permit will be required.
  - This permit will not come with a low-voltage permit. If a low-voltage permit is needed, it will have to be applied for separately through the respective municipality.