



DID YOU KNOW?

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FALSE ALARMS - MALICIOUS

§ 18.2-212 Maliciously activating fire alarms is a class 1 misdemeanor! A person and malice must be involved in a 710 series incident.

If the following are true, the incident is a **710 series:**

- ✓ There is **NO FIRE**
- ✓ A person **PURPOSEFULLY** set off the alarm or detector, but there was no emergency



Example: Someone sets a paper towel on fire and holds it up to a sprinkler head causing it to activate

Incident Type: 710 – Malicious, mischievous false alarm, other

Example: Someone pulls a pull station, but there is no emergency

Incident Type: 715 – Local alarm system, malicious false alarm

DAD JOKE

Q: What do you call an alligator that wants to be a detective?

A: An investigator

Reference: NFIRS Manual, page 3-27

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