Module 3

Security Responsibilities during an Alarm

Security guards unfamiliar with the type of alarm system in the area they are guarding should consult either their supervisor or the site owner to determine what the system equipment is like, and to ensure that they operate in accordance with the client's instructions with respect to the alarm.

The responsibilities assigned to a security guard during an alarm must be determined in advance by the client (the agency that has hired the security services), and the security firm that has agreed to perform those duties. These responsibilities may range from notifying the client, or the police, fire or other emergency personnel, to identifying the cause of the alarm and reacting appropriately.

