







WHAT IS AN INTRUDER ALARM?

There are many different systems to choose from to fit particular business needs. The two main types of Intruder Alarm operate differently from each other; a wired or wireless system.

A **wired** Intruder Alarm is the most commonly used system, and consists of a main control panel, motion sensors, panic alarms and break glass sensors. They require wires running to each of the sensors and are hidden out of site.

A **wireless** system works in the same way; however detection is relayed over radio frequencies to the control panel.

Wireless systems are best suited for properties of historical significance, temporary installations and buildings that cannot afford the time and disruption of installing a wired system.

ALARM SIGNALLING

Alarm bells are the most common and basic option for Intruder Alarm signalling. When the system is triggered by an intruder entering, or attempting to enter the premises, a loud alarm sounds.

This alarm can be responded to by those in the location such as neighbours or the police.

Monitored systems can either alert a nominated key holder or send a signal to an Alarm Receiving Centre (ARC).

SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE

Ongoing maintenance of the Intruder Alarm system by a competent security company such as Churches Fire & Security should be carried out.

The maintenance will include call-out facilities with a minimum response rate as per the contract agreement. This ensures that any issues or faults are responded to promptly.

Intruder Alarm systems should have preventative maintenance tests to ensure operation is as expected, bells sound loud enough and alerts are activated.

These tests should be carried out annually.

