

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
GEORGIA BOARD OF PRIVATE DETECTIVE & SECURITY AGENCIES
CHAPTER 509-3 MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING PROGRAM TO BE
SUBMITTED BY LICENSEES,
RULE 509-3-.02 UNARMED GUARDS AND WATCHMEN. AMENDED.
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies (hereinafter "Board") proposes amendments to the Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies Rules, Chapter 509-3 Minimum Acceptable Training Program To Be Submitted By Licensees, Rule 509-3-.02 Unarmed Guards and Watchmen Amended. (hereinafter "proposed rule amendments"). The proposed rule amendments include revisions to the title and provisions of Rule 509-3-.02. The Board voted to post this notice of adoption and hearing at its board meeting on October 19, 2006.

The amendments to Rule 509-3-.02 are deemed necessary by the Board to update title of the rule and to update the hours of training required for security personnel.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. These documents will also be available for review on the Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies' web page at <http://www.sos.state.ga.us/plb/detective/>. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies office at 478-207-2440.

A public hearing will be held at 9:00 a.m. on December 7, 2006 at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendments. At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information for the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on November 30, 2006. Written comments should be addressed to Mollie

L. Fleeman, Division Director, Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. FAX: 478-207-1468.

The proposed rule amendments will be considered for adoption by the Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies at its meeting on December 7, 2006 scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Georgia Board of Private Detective & Security Agencies has the authority to delete Rule 509-3-.02 pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19, 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-38-4, 43-38-6, 43-38-7, 43-38.7.1, 43-38-10, 43-38-10.1, and 43-38-11.

The Board will consider at its meeting on December 7, 2006 whether the formulation and adoption of this proposed rule amendment imposes excessive regulatory costs on any licensee or entity and whether any cost to comply with the proposed rule amendment could be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19, 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-38-4, 43-38-6, 43-38-7, 43-38.7.1, 43-38-10, 43-38-10.1, and 43-38-11.

Additionally, at its meeting on December 7, 2006, the Board will consider whether it is legal or feasible in meeting the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19, 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-38-4, 43-38-6, 43-38-7, 43-38.7.1, 43-38-10, 43-38-10.1, and 43-38-11 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The Board will consider whether the formulation and adoption of this proposed rule amendment will impact every licensee in the same manner when small businesses are independently owned and operated and not dominant in the field of private detective and security.

For further information, contact the Board office at 478-207-2440.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This _____ day of _____, 2006.

**Mollie Fleeman
Division Director
Professional Licensing Boards**

Posted: _____

**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
GEORGIA BOARD OF PRIVATE DETECTIVE & SECURITY AGENCIES
RULES,
CHAPTER 509-3 MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING PROGRAM TO BE
SUBMITTED BY LICENSEES, RULE 509-3-.02 UNARMED GUARDS AND
WATCHMEN. AMENDED.**

Rule 509-3-.02 Unarmed Guards and Watchmen. Amended. is hereby proposed for amendment and adoption.

Purpose: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to update the title of the rule and to provide for increased hours of training for security officers.

Main Features: The main features of the proposed amendments to the rule are an updated title to the rule to reflect a more current designation of security officers, and additional hours of training required for security officers.

**DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND
THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
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[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

509-3-.02 Unarmed guards and Watchmen Basic Training Curriculum for Security Officers. Amended.

~~(These are employees performing the functions of unarmed, uniformed private security personnel). A minimum of eight hours of classroom instruction is required in a basic training program consisting of the following:~~

- ~~(a) Duties and functions of a security officer;~~
- ~~(b) legal authority;~~
- ~~(c) fire prevention and firefighting control measures;~~
- ~~(d) response to crimes in progress, disturbances, disorderly conduct and miscellaneous incidents;~~
- ~~(e) Familiarization with the Georgia Private Detective and Security Agencies Act, Rules, and Regulations;~~
- ~~(f) Familiarization with first aid.~~

Effective September 1, 2007, a minimum of 24 hours of classroom instruction is required in a basic training program that includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- (1) Role of Private Security
 - (a) Crime Awareness and Prevention

- (b) Private Security and the Criminal Justice System
- (c) Ethics and Professionalism

(2) Legal Aspects

- (a) Principal Misdemeanors and Felonies
- (b) Overview of Title 43-38 as it relates to the Security Profession
- (c) Overview of Board Rules 509 et al
- (d) Arrest and Proper Use of Force
- (e) Liability
- (f) Courtroom testimony

(3) Patrol and Observation

- (a) Patrol techniques
- (b) Information gathering
- (c) Crimes in progress
- (d) Officer Safety
- (e) Note taking and Report Writing

(4) Incident Response

- (a) Responding to Emergencies
- (b) Crowd control and evacuation
- (c) Fire control and Prevention
- (d) Hazardous Materials
- (e) Bomb Threats and Terrorism

(5) Security Resources

- (a) CCTV Operation and Video Documentation
- (b) Alarm systems
- (c) Access Control
- (d) Electronic Article Surveillance

(6) Customer Service Issues

- (a) Public relations
- (b) Interpersonal Communications

(7) First Aid Overview

Authority: OCGA §§ 43-1-19, 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-38-4, 43-38-6, 43-38-7, 43-38.7.1, 43-38-10, 43-38-10.1, and 43-38-11