

Hurricane Wilma Alert

October 21, 2005

With another major hurricane threatening the State of Florida, Governor Bush signed Executive Order 05-219 on Wednesday, October 19, 2005.

This executive order gives the Division of Licensing authority to allow security officers who are licensed outside the State of Florida, but who work for a security company that holds a Class "B" license, to work in the State of Florida in the wake of the disaster caused by Hurricane Wilma.

Listed below are the specific conditions under which a security officer from another state can be employed here in Florida.

1. The security officer coming in from out-of-state must be employed by a Class "B" Security Agency or branch office licensed by the Division of Licensing in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 493, Florida Statutes.
2. The security officer must come from a state that licenses or registers security officers only after conducting a federal criminal history background check.
3. The employing Class "B" Security Agency must supply the Division of Licensing with the following information on each out-of-state security officer employed. This information can be supplied either by fax (850-245-5505) or by e-mail (trimbl@doacs.state.fl.us):
 - name
 - Social Security Number
 - state in which officer is licensed or registered
 - date of licensure or registration
 - expiration date of licensure or registration
 - name of contact in agency hiring the officer
4. Out-of-state security officers CANNOT carry a firearm while working in the State of Florida.
5. An out-of-state security officer can remain employed in the State of Florida for a maximum of 60 days. If an officer wishes to remain employed in the state beyond 60 days, he or she must apply for licensure with the Division of Licensing.

If additional information is needed, please call Lisa Trimble at 850-245-5500.