



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
STATE FIRE MARSHAL

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NOTICE: REPORTING REQUIREMENT

TO: ALL HOLDERS OF EXPLOSIVES LICENSES

FROM: RANDALL NAPOLI, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL

SUBJECT: REPORTS OF LOSSES, UNEXPLAINED SHORTAGE, OR THEFT OF EXPLOSIVES

DATE: March 20, 2003

cc: ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

This is a reminder that the explosives law¹ requires that any holder of any explosives license² must report any loss, unexplained shortage, or theft of explosives within 12 hours of discovery to the nearest sheriff or police department and to the Division of State Fire Marshal. Each report shall include (a) the amount and type of explosives missing, (b) the manufacturer's mark, if available, (c) the approximate time of occurrence, if known, and (d) any other information the licensee or permittee may possess. The penalty for failing to make the required report is one year imprisonment, or a \$1,000.00 fine, or both such imprisonment and fine.

By copy to the law enforcement officers of the state, this is also a reminder that the law³ requires that each law enforcement officer must give immediate notice to the Division of State Fire Marshal of any theft, illegal use, or illegal possession of explosives and must forward a copy of his or her final written report to this division at the address below.

Notification in each case should be made to:

Division of State Fire Marshal
Attn: Explosives Regulation
Department of Financial Services
200 East Gaines Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0342
Phone: 850-413-3171; Fax: 850-922-2553

¹ Section 552.113(2), Florida Statutes

² And any other person who has knowledge of such loss

³ Section 552.113(1), Florida Statutes

