



Department of Fire/Rescue Services Locking Devices Information Sheet

Whenever a key box is required per Section 506 of the 2006 International Fire Code as amended, the key box shall be a Knox-Vault 4400 series with tamper switch.

General Specification for Knox Box Installations

1. The key box shall be installed in a location approved by the Chief of the Department of Fire/Rescue Services or his designee.
2. The box shall be mounted at a maximum height of five (5) feet from finished grade to the center of the box.
3. The box shall be attached to the building with through-bolts unless an alternate mounting method is specifically approved.
4. The box shall have a tamper switch, which shall alert the Fire Department and Central Station, but not a general alarm, if anyone should tamper with the box.
5. The box shall contain all keys and/or access codes that may be required to gain entry into all locations within the building, as well as emergency contact information. All keys and emergency contact information shall be kept current.

Section 912.3.1 of the 2006 International Fire Code authorizes the fire code official to require locking caps on fire department connections for water-based fire protection systems where the responding fire department carries appropriate key wrenches for removal.

The locking caps shall be a Knox Company Part Number 3027 for use with 2-1/2" York threads.

Knox boxes and caps can be ordered on line at www.knoxbox.com (make sure to choose **York Dept Fire/Rescue York, Pennsylvania 17401-1401**). Knox applications for purchase can also be obtained at Fire Department Headquarters, 43 South Duke Street, and must be completed and returned with appropriate payment made payable to the Knox Company. **THE KNOX COMPANY WILL ONLY ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES.**

Contact the Fire Department to schedule a site visit for box location or installation of caps.

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