



Santa Barbara County Fire Department Planning and Engineering Section

Knox Rapid Entry System

The Fire Department as a general policy does not accept keys to public or private facilities. We do recommend or require the installation of a key device(s) that will allow entry to the facility during an emergency with a minimum of delay and no damage caused by forced entry.

The Knox Rapid Entry System selected for the Santa Barbara area is manufactured by the Knox Company of Newport Beach, California, and is called the Knox Box System. The Knox Company provides several types of key boxes, information vaults, key-operated switches, and padlocks that the Fire Department can open by means of a master key.

The devices are well made and provided with MEDECO pick-proof locks, key coded for the fire department jurisdiction your occupancy lies within. The master key, available only to the fire department personnel, cannot be duplicated and is subject to strict control by assigned personnel to assure its security. Some of the devices are provided with tamper switches that can be connected to a fire or burglar alarm system.

The key boxes may contain labeled access keys, entry cards, or combinations to exterior and interior doors or gates, keys to elevator controls, air conditioning, and other machinery controls, sprinkler valves, fire alarm system, etc. The key boxes and/or vaults may also contain the names and phone numbers of responsible persons and special information, and/or instructions regarding your facility and its contents.

Ordering from Knox Company is now available online. Just follow these simple steps:

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
Visit www.knoxbox.com	Select the Products/Place Order green shopping cart from the menu on the left	Enter Your Location as CALIFORNIA and then " Santa Barbara Co Fire Dept " in the Department name.	Click " Select " next to the " Commercial Knox Products " unless on UCSB property.