

ORDINANCE 2017:10
ORDINANCE CREATING A KNOX BOX "RAPID ENTRY SYSTEM" IN THE
BOROUGH OF MAGNOLIA

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Magnolia as follows:

Section 1: The following subsection requiring the installation of a Knox Box "Rapid Entry System" on all structures as noted below, and to establish installation requirements and compliance as determined by the Local Fire Official.

Experience has shown when fires occur in buildings, the Fire Department must make entry into the structure, locate, confine, control and extinguishment the fire. Further, fires within buildings are not always readily evident from the outside when the fire department arrives. Delaying fire department entry into a building can and will allow a fire to grow and make the fire more dangerous. When evidence of a fire is noted from the outside, forcible entry into a building is time consuming and represents a delay in locating and extinguishing the fire. In order to expedite entry into a structure and to aid the Fire Department in the task of extinguishment, the installation of a Knox Box "Rapid Entry System" shall be required.

Section 2: Definitions

AUTOMATIC DIALER a device that automatically dials and/or relays a prerecorded message to a central station or the Fire Department.

AUTOMATIC FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM a system or assembly of piping, valves, controls and sprinklers which are designed and installed to comply with the NFPA standards, which utilized water, foam, CO2 or other as to automatically react to suppress fire.

CENTRAL STATION an office of a private company which remote alarm and supervisory signaling devices are transmitted and where personnel are in attendance at all times to supervise the circuits and investigate signals.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM equipment which automatically actuates a fire decrease in temperature or activation or a sprinkler system or manually activated device.

LOCK BOX a high security key vault which is under the UL 1610 and the UL 1037 standards, master keyed with a Medeco Biaxial Level 7 or equivalent lock. Locks shall be keyed to the key configuration provided by the Fire District or Fire Protection District.

Section 3. Requirement

The owner or person in control of the following types of buildings, shall install and maintain a Rapid Entry Key Box of a type approved by the local Fire Official.

- i. All buildings within the Borough of Magnolia, having automatic alarm system, dialer, Central Station or equipped with an automatic fire suppression system except one and two family owner-occupied dwellings.

- ii. Multi-family residential structures, including senior citizen apartment/condo complexes, that have restricted access through locked doors and have a common corridor for access to the living units.
- iii. Commercial and industrial buildings identified by the Fire Official as difficult to access during emergencies.
- iv. All high rise buildings, i.e. structures having floors at or above fifty (50) feet above ground level.

Section 4. Key Box Location:

The Key Box, shall be of a UL type, and approved by the Local Fire Official. The Key Box shall be installed, at or near the recognized public entrance, adjacent to the fire alarm panel, on the exterior of the structure or in a location or locations designated and approved by the local Fire Official in consultation with the local Fire Chief.

The box shall be located at a height approved by the local Fire Official of not less than four (4) feet and not more than six (6) feet above the final grade. The Key Box is not required to be attached to or monitored by the alarm system, however, this action is recommended.

Section 5. Key Box Contents

- i. Keys to locked points of access/egress, whether interior or exterior of such buildings.
- ii. Keys to all locked rooms and/or panels, including but not limited to mechanical, electrical, sprinkler and alarms.
- iii. Keys to locked elevator rooms and elevator controls.
- iv. Keys to any fenced or otherwise physically secured area.
- v. Keys to any other areas, as determined necessary and appropriate, by the local Fire Chief or Fire Official.
- vi. Emergency information card, containing the name(s) and telephone number(s) of emergency contacts for such buildings.

Section 6. Compliance:

All structures in existence on the effective date of this section, and subject to this section, shall have eight (8) months from the effective date of adoption to have the "Rapid Entry System" installed and operational.

All newly constructed buildings not yet occupied, buildings currently under construction and all buildings or businesses applying for a certificate of occupancy, shall have the "Rapid Entry System" installed and operational prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

The Fire Sub-code Official shall be responsible for compliance with the section requirements, for all buildings currently under plan review for future construction.

Section 7. Penalties:

Penalties for non-compliance by any building owner, in violation of the provisions of this section, shall be subject to a penalty being assessed after receiving notice by the Fire Official.

Section 8. All ordinances and provisions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 9. If any section, subsection or part, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, all other parts or provisions of this Ordinance shall be considered severable and deemed lawful and enforceable.

Section 10. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication as required by law.

Introduced: April 05, 2017

Adopted: May 03, 2017

BOROUGH OF MAGNOLIA

Mayor BettyAnn Cowling-Carson

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ORDINANCE NO. 748:05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MOUNT EPHRAIM PROVIDING FOR RAPID ACCESS KEY BOXES FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN TIMES OF EMERGENCY.

Whereas, the Uniform Fire Code, N.J.A.C. 5:70 et seq., requires certain properties to be equipped with an alarm system and or sprinkler system; and

Whereas, the systems may cause the fire company of the Borough of Mount Ephraim to be summoned at a time when the structure is not occupied or when the occupant is not able to provide entry for the Fire Department; and

Whereas, the Borough wishes to prevent damage through forceful entry to structures and provide swift entry into structures by the Fire Department; and

Whereas, N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.1 provides that a municipality may, by ordinance, make its fire code more restrictive than the Uniform Fire Code;

Now, Therefore, Be it ordered by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Mount Ephraim as follows:

Section 1. All properties within the Borough of Mount Ephraim having a fire alarm system or a fire sprinkler system shall be equipped with a key box. This shall not apply to owner occupied one and two family dwellings.

Section 2. The key box shall be of a UL type and approved by the Borough of Mount Ephraim Fire Chief. The rapid entry key box shall be installed in a location approved by the Borough of Mount Ephraim Fire Chief.

Section 3. Key Box Contents

The rapid key boxes shall contain the following:

- a. Keys to locked points of egress, whether on interior or exterior of such buildings;
- b. Keys to the locked mechanical rooms;
- c. Keys to the locked elevator rooms;
- d. Keys to any fence or secured areas;
- e. Keys to any other areas as directed by the Fire Chief;
- f. Keys to the elevator control rooms;
- g. A floor plan of the rooms within the building;
- h. MSDS sheets and other chemical data sheets as required by the Fire Chief.

Section 4. Time for Compliance

All existing buildings shall comply with this ordinance within twelve (12) months of its effective date or upon the next scheduled periodic inspection, which ever comes first. All newly constructed buildings, not yet occupied or buildings currently under construction, shall comply immediately.

Section 5. Penalties

Any building owner or tenant violating this ordinance shall be subject to penalties as set forth in the Uniform Fire Code.

Section 6. Existing Structures

If at any time that an automatic suppression system or fire alarm is installed in an existing structure not previous equipped, simultaneous with that installation the owner shall comply with this ordinance.

Section 7.

Any ordinance or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-85-48
KNOWN AS THE "GLOUCESTER TOWNSHIP FIRE
SAFETY CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE" AND
ALSO KNOWN AS CHAPTER 52 OF THE CODE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF GLOUCESTER

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Gloucester, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that Ordinance O-85-48 known as the "Gloucester Township Fire Safety Code Enforcement Ordinance" be and is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 52 be and is hereby amended by adding the following subsection requiring the installation of a Knox Box "Rapid Entry System" on all structures as noted below, and to establish installation requirements and compliance as determined by the local Fire Official.

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SECTION 5. "Key Box Contents:

Approved by the Fire Chief
[Signature]

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The Fire Sub-code Official shall be responsible for compliance with the section requirements, for all buildings currently under plan review for future construction."

SECTION 7. "Penalties:

Penalties for non-compliance by any building owner, in violation of the provisions of this section, shall be subject to a penalty being assessed as noted in Township Ordinance 10A "Fire Prevention Committee", Section 10A-13, Violations and Penalties after receiving notice by the local Fire Official."

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