



KEYED AND ELECTRONIC ENTRY SYSTEMS KNOX BOX

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Rapid access to an emergency site is an important factor in allowing for a successful resolution of the emergency. To this end, the Laconia Fire Department requires it be provided with the means to circumvent any obstacles or barriers for rapid accessibility.

The cost of purchase and installation of any approved key security boxes, security gate or site access restriction device shall be the responsibility of the applicant.

Keyed Entry Systems: (Knox Box)

The Laconia Fire Department requires that all occupancies connected to the municipal fire alarm system provide fire department approved key security boxes to allow emergency access to the occupancy. These systems are recommended for all occupancies where emergency access may be required.

A separate key security box shall be provided at each security gate where other means of access (remote controls or pass codes) have not been provided.

Other occupancies may be required to provide approved key security boxes as requested by the fire chief.

Exception: Detached single-family homes.

The City of Laconia shall NOT be held liable for any damages where forced entry is required to access an occupancy during an emergency.

Electronic Entry Systems:

At any site that the fire department requires access where an electronic security gate is installed, in following must be provided:

1. Electronic remote controls units in sufficient quantities to equip all fire department first response apparatus, or as specified by the fire chief, shall be provided without cost to the Laconia Fire Department.
2. A security access code, as specified by the fire chief, shall be provided for all other department uses.
3. Electronic gates shall provide sensors or allow sufficient time for fire department apparatus to pass through.
4. Security gate systems activated by audible warning devices or radio control shall be tested quarterly.

Permits:

Permits for keyed security boxes or electronic entry systems shall be obtained from the Laconia Fire Department or online via www.knoxbox.com.