

PROVIDE SUPRA BOX AND/OR KEYS REQUIRED FOR FIRE DEPT. ACCESS

CODE SECTIONS

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506.1 Where required. Where access to or within a structure or an area is restricted because of secured openings or where immediate access is necessary for life-saving or fire-fighting purposes, the fire code official is authorized to require a key box to be installed in an approved location. The key box shall be of an approved type and shall contain keys to gain necessary access as required by the fire code official.

506.1.1 Locks. An approved lock shall be installed on gates or similar barriers when required by the fire code official.

506.2 Key box maintenance. The operator of the building shall immediately notify the fire code official and provide the new key when a lock is changed or re-keyed. The key to such lock shall be secured in the key box.

EXPLANATION

Within the Wasatch County Fire District's jurisdiction, Supra/Knox boxes are typically installed at facilities that have fire sprinkler systems, fire alarm systems, and at public schools, large business, theaters, gates/parking barriers, by elevators and other locations, where deemed by the Fire Marshal, necessary to gain access. These boxes will contain the keys necessary to open all relevant doors or openings.

RATIONALE

On certain occupancies the availability of keys will significantly reduce time and effort in accessing buildings. By utilizing a "high security" Supra box which means only Wasatch County Fire District personnel are issued a key, a safe, secure, and consistent means of storing business keys is achieved.