



HARRIS COUNTY FIRE CODE

CODEWORD



Codeword's are used to clarify provisions of the Harris County Fire Code.
The sole intent is to provide information regarding acceptable practice

Issue Date: February 2, 2009

Subject: Elevator Access

Question: What are the regulations governing "Key Box" specifications for elevators.

Answer: A "Key" cabinet shall be placed in the main elevator lobby at the level of Fire Department access, within 20 ft. of the call button. Elevator keys shall be secured with a "Knox" brand locking device.
The cabinet shall be mounted 36" to 72" above the finished floor.

Signage shall read: **Elevator Keys**, Letters shall have a minimum height of 1" with minimum stroke width of 0.125 inch and the letters must be of a contrasting color to the background.

Buildings of five (5) stories or taller and /or buildings with a Fire Command Center shall have a **Knox Cabinet 1300**, or equivalent, secured with a "Knox" brand locking device, installed in the Fire Command Center.

Signage shall read: **Fire Command Center**, Letters shall have a minimum height of 1", with a minimum stroke width of 0.125.

Cabinet shall contain Elevator keys, Pre-Fire plans, and keys to building spaces.

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