



# Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

## Community Risk Reduction Division

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## KNOX KEY BOXES

High level Knox key boxes are required where the fire code official requires installation of the key box or when an area is restricted and immediate access is needed. High level key boxes shall be required on all buildings with fire life safety systems and fixed commercial hoods systems.



**When the Fire Control or Riser Room is located on the exterior of the building, the Knox box shall be mounted:**

- On the latching side of the door.
- No more than 6' above the door finished

**When access is restricted from the outside and the riser room or fire alarm control panel room is in the interior of the building, the Knox box shall be mounted:**

- At the main building entrance
- On the latching side of the door
- No more than 6' above the door finished landing.

If there are double doors, the Knox key box shall be mounted no more than 6' feet above door finished landing on the exterior wall finish next to the doors. If glass windows are installed and no finished wall exists, then the Knox key box shall be mounted on either side where the design and construction of exterior finish permits Knox box installation.