

# **SECTION I. Town of Rutland Fire Department**

## **SECTION II. Abatement of Fire Hazards- Ordinance**

### **Key Box Systems**

- (a) The following structures shall be equipped with a key lock box at or near the main entrance or other such location required by the Town Fire Chief, or his/her designee:

  - (1) new commercial or new industrial structures to be protected by an automatic alarm system or automatic suppression system or renovations which include an automatic alarm system or automatic suppression system.
  - (2) new multi-family residential structures that have a restricted access through locked doors and have a common corridor for access to the living units or renovations, which include an automatic alarm system or automatic suppression system.
  - (3) new governmental structures and new nursing care facilities or renovations which include an automatic alarm system or automatic suppression system.
- (b) All newly constructed or renovated structures subject to this section shall have the key lock box installed and operational before the issuance of the occupancy permit.
- (c) The Town Fire Chief, or his/her designee, shall designate the type of key lock box system to be implemented within the city and shall have the authority to require structures to use the designated system.
- (d) The owner or operator of the structure required to have a key lock box shall at all times, keep a key in the lock box that will allow for access to the structure, or other keys required by the Town Fire Chief, or his/her designee.
- (e) Penalties – Any building owner violating this requirement shall, after receiving due notice by the Town Fire Chief, or his/her designee, be subject to a civil penalty of up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).