

CITY OF ABSECON

ORDINANCE 01-2011

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ABSECON, CHAPTER 114, ALARM SYSTEMS, ADDING SECTION 114-13, RAPID ACCESS KEY REQUIREMENTS

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABSECON CITY, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 114, Section 114-13, be added as follows:

SECTION 114-13: Rapid Key Access Requirements:

A. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to require rapid access key compliance for all structures, except one- and two-family dwellings, establish installation requirements and compliance as determined by the Fire Official.

Key box required. All properties containing an automatic fire protection system and/or those properties containing a fire alarm system within the City of Absecon shall be equipped with a key box as required by the Fire Official or Fire Chief. This shall not apply to owner-occupied one- and two-family dwellings or hotels with a twenty-four-hour-operated front desk.

Key box type and location. The key box shall be of a UL-type and approved by the City of Absecon Fire Chief or Fire Official. The rapid entry key box shall be installed in a location or locations designated and approved by the Fire Chief or Fire Official.

Key box contents. The rapid access key boxes shall contain the following:

- (1) Keys to locked points of ingress/egress, whether interior or exterior of such buildings.
- (2) Keys to all locked rooms and/or panels, including, but not limited to, mechanical, electrical, sprinkler and alarms.
- (3) Keys to locked elevator rooms and elevator controls.
- (4) Keys to any fenced or otherwise physically secured areas.
- (5) Emergency information card containing the name(s) and phone number(s) of emergency contacts for such building.

(6) A floor plan of the rooms within the building, as determined necessary and appropriate by the Fire Chief or Fire Official.

(7) Keys to any other areas as determined necessary and appropriate by the Fire Chief or Fire Official.

B. Compliance. All newly constructed buildings not yet occupied or buildings currently under construction shall comply upon adoption of this section and the effective date of same.

Penalties. Penalties for noncompliance by any building owner violating the provisions of this section shall be subject to penalties as set forth in Section 114-12 of this Chapter.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Absecon that:

1. Any Ordinance or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.
2. This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication as required by Law.

DATED: February 17, 2011

SIGNED:



Peter C. Elco, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carie A. Crone, RMC, Municipal Clerk

Passed on first reading at a work and regular meeting of the Municipal Council held on February 3, 2011. Laid over and advertised for public hearing and final adoption on February 17, 2011. Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was approved for final adoption by the Municipal Council of the City of Absecon at a work and regular meeting held on February 17, 2011.