



# REDWOOD DISPATCH COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY STANDARD OPERATING POLICY

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## 35.0 KNOX BOX

- 35.1 The Control Radio Operator (CRO) is equipped with a special tone-coding device to activate field fire unit's Knox Box access keys. When activated, the device transmits a coded tone signal over the desired control frequency, opening a locked key box installed in some fire apparatus.
- 35.1.1 This tone is only to be activated upon request of the field unit. The field unit shall request "key release" or "Knox Box" tones. The field units have only four seconds to open the locked key box before the device secures itself. If they do not open the box in time, they may request a repeat of the tone code.
- 35.2 Many fire response field units do not have "key release" Knox Box equipment and may simply ask for Knox Box locations that are noted in the Location of Interest (LOI) or (SS) Special Situation files.