

NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2010

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 6 – CONDUCT – PART 8 – PROHIBITING ATV, DIRT BIKE OR SIMILAR MOTOR VEHICLE IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS OF NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND TO PROVIDE UNDER CHAPTER 7 – FIRE PREVENTION AND FIRE PROTECTION FOR A RAPID ENTRY SYSTEM (KNOX LOCK BOX) INCLUDING APPLICABILITY, DEFINITIONS, INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS, TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES, PENALTY PROVISION, SEVERABILITY AND REPEALER.

I. Chapter 6 – Conduct is hereby amended to add the following sections:

**CHAPTER 6 - CONDUCT - PART 8 - CONDUCT PROHIBITED IN
RESIDENTIAL ZONES OF NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP**

§ 801. CONDUCT PROHIBITED

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to operate or to permit the operation of any ATV, dirt bike, or similar type of motor vehicle within any area of North Lebanon Township which is zoned as a Residential District (R1 and R2).

§ 802. PENALTY

Any person who violates or permits a violation of this provision of the Code of Ordinances of North Lebanon Township shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00), and / or to be imprisoned for a period not exceeding Ninety (90) days. A separate offense shall arise for each day or portion thereof in which the violation is found to exist.

II. Chapter 7 – Fire Prevention and Fire Protection of the Codified Ordinances of North Lebanon Township is hereby amended to add the following Sections:

Chapter 7 – Fire Prevention and Fire Protection:

Part 5 – Rapid Entry System

Section 501 – Intent:

1. The Board of Supervisors have determined that the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of North Lebanon Township are promoted by requiring certain structures to have a Rapid Entry System (Knox Lock Box) installed on the exterior of the structure to aid the Fire Department in gaining access to the structure when responding to calls for emergency service; and

2. A Rapid Entry System will eliminate forced entries into structures thereby avoiding costly and time-consuming efforts in gaining access to locked structures during an emergency; and

3. The Fire Chiefs of North Lebanon Township shall designate the type of Rapid Entry System to be implemented within North Lebanon Township and shall have the authority on all applicable structures to use the designated system. The Rapid Entry System implemented will be uniform among all North Lebanon Township Fire Companies.

Section 502 – Applicability:

The following sections apply to all buildings within North Lebanon Township, which are used as Public Buildings, Retail, Commercial, Industrial, Apartments/Multi-Family (3 or more units), Government, Nursing/Home Healthcare, Churches, Schools or which

1. Contain a fire alarm system that uses an automatic dialer, or
2. Contain an automatic fire suppression system.

Section 503 – Definitions:

Unless otherwise expressly stated, the following words shall, for the purpose of this Part, have the meanings herein indicated:

1. Automatic Dialer – A device that automatically dials and relays a prerecorded message to a Central Station, Emergency Management Agency, or the Fire Company.

2. Automatic Fire Suppression System – A system or assembly of piping, valves, controls and sprinklers which are designed and installed to comply with the NFPA standards, which utilized water, foam, CO2 or other gas to automatically react to suppress fire.

3. Central Station – An office of a private company to which remote alarm and supervisory signaling devices are transmitted and where personnel are in attendance at all times to supervise the circuits and investigate signals.

4. Fire Alarm System – Equipment which automatically actuates a fire alarm when the detecting element is exposed to fire, smoke, abnormal rise or decrease in temperature or activation of a sprinkler system or manually activated device.

5. Lock Box – A high security key vault which is listed under the UL 1610 and the UL 1037 standards, master keyed with a Medeco Biaxial Level 7 or equivalent lock. Locks shall be keyed to the key configuration provided by the designated first response Fire Company in North Lebanon Township.

6. Rapid Entry System – Security System commonly referred to as Lock-Box, or Knox Box.

Section 504 – Installation Requirements:

The owner of applicable buildings, as described in section 502 above, shall install or cause to be installed a Rapid Entry System and/or Rapid Entry System Document Vault prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for any portion of the building for new or remodeling construction or within 18-months of the adoption date of this ordinance if no new construction or remodeling takes place.

A.) The Rapid Entry System shall be installed in plain view on the front of the building not higher than 6’0” off the ground and within 10’0” of the main door unless approved in writing at a different location by the Codes Enforcement Officer of North Lebanon Township.

B.) The Rapid Entry System shall contain keys for all, interior & exterior locked points of egress, mechanical rooms, elevator rooms, elevator controls, electrical rooms, sprinkler rooms, any fenced or secured area, fire alarm panels, devices, & systems. The owner or operator of a structure required to have a Rapid Entry System shall, at all times, keep a key in the lock box that will allow for access to the structure.

C.) All Keys within the Rapid Entry System shall be labeled for easy identification or indexed to a floor plan of the building and shall be kept current. If indexed to a floor plan, the floor plan must be placed in the Rapid Entry System.

D.) All Rapid Entry System Knox Boxes shall be purchased through North Lebanon Township. All Knox Boxes purchased must have sufficient capacity to store all required keys.

E.) Every property owner(s) of a building required to install a Rapid Entry System must annually, by January 31st, complete a Registration Form that is adopted by the Board of Supervisors. In addition, this Registration Form must be submitted to the Township upon any change of status of the information listed on the form.

F.) The property owner upon completion of Knox Box installation shall notify the relevant office of North Lebanon Township indicating readiness for Fire Department operational and key inventory check list inspection.

Section 505 – North Lebanon Township Fire Company Requirements.

It shall be the responsibility of the Fire Chief of each Fire Company in North Lebanon Township to implement at a minimum the following rules and regulations for the use of the Rapid Entry System by his Department:

A.) The Fire Chiefs of North Lebanon Township have agreed to use the Knox® Lock Box system manufactured by Knox. All Fire Companies in North Lebanon Township shall utilize the same Rapid Entry System for uniformity.

B.) All keys to open the Knox® Box (Rapid Entry System) must be secured in an approved Knox® Box device in the apparatus, which requires a signal sent over the radio by the Lebanon County EMA dispatcher, or a confidential bypass code, to unlock. Any mutual aid company wishing to carry a North Lebanon Township key will need to carry in the same manner.

C.) The Fire Chief will designate, which personnel in his department will be provided with a security number in order to open the Knox® Box on the apparatus after receiving a signal from Lebanon County EMA dispatcher, or by entering a confidential bypass code.

D.) Upon removing and returning the key to the Knox® Box located on the apparatus, the Fire Chief, or his designee will notify, by radio, the Lebanon County EMA dispatch for the purpose of logging the event.

Section 506 – North Lebanon Township Board of Supervisors Responsibilities.
The Administrative Staff, as representative of the Board of Supervisors of North Lebanon Township will be responsible for the following:

A.) Mailing and tracking annual registration forms to property owners of a building(s) where a Rapid Entry System is installed. Annual registration form and any associated fees to be adopted by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. This includes follow-up with any property owner from whom a registration form is not received by the deadline date of January 31st of each year.

B.) Providing all completed registration forms w/attachments to the appropriate Fire Chief of North Lebanon Township. This includes annual renewals, as well as any revised registrations forms received periodically from property owners.

C.) Violation of this Ordinance will be processed by the Administration Staff of North Lebanon Township at the direction of the Board of Supervisors or the appropriate North Lebanon Township Fire Chief.

D.) Receiving and processing order forms for purchase of Knox Boxes and Fire Department operational and key inventory check list(s).

Section 507 – Penalty:

Any person who violates or permits a violation of this provision of the Code of Ordinances of North Lebanon Township shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1000), and/or to be imprisoned for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days. A separate offense shall arise for each day or portion thereof in which a violation is found to exist.

Section 508 – Severability:

If any sentence, clause, section or part of this Part is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not effect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts of this Part. It is hereby declared as the intent of North Lebanon Township that this Part would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

Section 509 – Repealer:

This Ordinance shall repeal any Ordinances or parts of Ordinances which are in conflict herewith.

This Ordinance duly enacted this 15th day of March, 2010.

ATTEST:

NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP

Cheri F. Grumbine, Secretary

By:_____
Kenneth C. Artz, Chairman

By:_____
Richard E. Miller, Vice-Chairman

By:_____
Edward A. Brensinger, Treasurer