



Orange County Fire Authority

Notice

Fire Prevention Bureau

Date: May 20, 2005

Subject: Remote Gate Opening Device

Effective July 1, 2005, OCFA Planning and Development Services will apply the following requirement/condition of approval to the installation of gates which impact required emergency fire apparatus access for all new construction gates.

Code sections referenced: 2001CFC Section 902.2.4.2, Vehicle Access Gates

The impact of gates on emergency response times for the Fire Department can be reduced with the use of a remote opening/traffic preemptive device. A remote opening/preemptive device will allow the emergency responder to activate the gate without having to stop, access the Knox box, and key to open the gate. Additionally, it cycles the gate closed as soon as the emergency vehicle drives through the gate until the next emergency vehicle activates the gate.

The systems currently available for use by OCFA are optical and radio controlled.

Optical works the same as the traffic preemption system by using the emergency responders strobe light to set to the same frequency as the signal device

The radio controlled is a system that opens when the emergency responder clicks the receiver of his/her 800mhz radio.

OCFA Approved Gate Systems include:

1. 3M Opticom
2. Click2Enter (radio controlled)
3. Fire Strobe Access Products, Inc.
4. Tomar

Questions regarding specific applications should be addressed through OCFA Planning and Development Services @ 714-573-6100.

The Opticom™ System

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