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## **MEMORANDUM**

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SUBJECT:

Planning and Engineering Guidelines and Standards (PEGS)

Supplement Number: PEGS-19-01, Knox Box System, Manual

Fire Pull Signs, OFM Standard Forms

Effective immediately, the following modification shall be made to the MDOT MAA 2019 PEGS Manual:

### Volume 3, Life Safety – Chapter 2, Fire Prevention and Protection

- Insert New Section 2.9.6 Knox Box System:
- A. The Knox Box System is a high security key box designed to give firefighters and emergency responders immediate access to locked buildings, elevators, and other secured areas. The Knox Box System has been approved by the MDOT MAA as a sole source procurement.
- B. Applicable building contract documents shall include the requirements for the installation of Knox Box System.
- C. The contract documents should require the contractor to contact the MDOT MAA's Office of the Fire Marshal for the Knox Box System Authorization/Order form and obtain the MDOT MAA Fire Marshal's signature.
- D. The consultant shall coordinate the number, size, and location of Knox Boxes with the MDOT MAA's Office of the Fire Marshal.

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#### **Volume 3, Life Safety – Chapter 5, Signage and Graphics**

• Delete Section 5.2, Item 2 – Manual Fire Pull Sign (MFP 1111), in its entirety.

# Volume 3, Life Safety – Appendix 3A, Standard Forms

- Delete all forms.
- Insert New Sentence: OFM Standard forms shall be obtained from the MDOT MAA's Office of the Fire Marshal.

Consultants listed herein are required to distribute this standard to their respective staff and subconsultants.

If you believe the attached standard conflicts with any other codes or regulations or if you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Chief, Office of Fire Marshal at (410) 859-7482.

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