### Galveston College Weapons: Carry of Concealed Handguns Minimum Standards for Gun Storage / Lock Boxes

# 1.1 Standards Pertaining to the Characteristics, Design, Operation and Construction of a Gun Storage / Lock Box

A gun storage / lock box must:

- 1. Open only by either a numeric combination, key, magnetic key or electronic key. Those devices that operate by means of a combination must require the entry of at least three variables of numbers, letters or other appropriate symbols entered in a specific sequence on a keypad, dial or tumbler device.
- 2. Be constructed with such quality of workmanship and material that it may not be easily pried open, removed or otherwise defeated by use of common household tools.
- A gun storage / lock box must not:
  - 1. Be locked by means of a screw or screws.
  - 2. Have any exposed hinges or screws that, if removed, would render the gun storage / lock box ineffective.
  - 3. Be disengaged by a handcuff key or common household tool.
  - 4. Be subject, at the time of sale, to voluntary or involuntary recall by the manufacturer.

## 1.2 Standards Pertaining to the Performance of Gun Storage / Lock Box

When properly used, a gun storage device or lock box must be effective in preventing access to the firearm by a person who does not have access to the key, combination and/or other mechanism used to disengage the device.

## **1.3** Standards Pertaining to the Instructions for Use of Gun Storage / Lock Box

A gun storage device or lock box must be accompanied by written instructions on its proper installation and removal.

## 1.4 Preferred materials for Gun Storage / Lock Box

Minimum 18 Gauge Heavy Steel, Construction Hinge Type, either combination or key lock or both.