

**§ 4094. Firearms Safety Device Standards**

(a) The FSD shall be of a design that will not allow its removal or deactivation except by utilizing a key, combination, or other unique method as intended by the manufacturer to allow access only by authorized users, within the standards set forth in these regulations.

(1) Combination locking systems shall have a minimum of 1,000 possible unique combinations consisting of a minimum of three numbers, letters, or symbols per combination.

(2) Key locking systems shall be unique to the manufacturer's FSD(s).

(b) The FSD shall render the firearm inoperable (unable to be fired) while the FSD is properly installed. The firearm shall be rendered inoperable immediately upon installation and activation of the FSD. Lock box style FSDs (devices that fully contain and enclose the firearm) must prevent removal of, and access to, the enclosed firearm.

(c) An FSD shall function by at least one of the following methods:

(1) By blocking travel of the trigger, striker, firing pin, or hammer.

(2) By preventing the action or cylinder from closing.

(3) By preventing the chamber(s) from accepting or holding a live cartridge.

(4) By preventing access to the firearm.

(d) When used in the manner designed and intended by the manufacturer, the FSD shall be capable of repeated use and shall pass the testing procedures described in these regulations.

(e) The FSD shall be capable of withstanding manipulation with common household tools, as described in section 4095 - Testing Procedures, for an approximate ten-minute period without being disabled.

**Source:**

Note: Authority cited: Sections 23650 and 23655, Penal Code. Reference: Sections 23650 and 23655, Penal Code.

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