



**SACRAMENTO FIRE DEPARTMENT
FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION
FIRE DEPARTMENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES UNIT**

Door Hardware

1. Thumb turn deadbolts are not permitted on any door unless they are the type that is interconnected with a lever so that the deadbolt reacts when the lever is pushed down. This is known as "single action" hardware – the door can be unlocked and unlatched with a single downward motion.
2. Only the following types of door hardware are permitted:
 - a. Round knob type seen in homes – must be the type that is openable from the inside without a key when the door is locked.
 - b. Lever type – must be the type that is openable from the inside without a key when the door is locked
 - c. Panic hardware
3. The only exception to the three types of door hardware listed above is:

Buildings housing group A having an occupant load of 300 or less, Group B, F, M, and S and in places of religious worship, the main exit doors must have a double sided key deadbolt when accompanied by a sign over the door stating "This Door To Remain Unlocked When Building is Occupied" and the locking device is readily distinguishable as being in the locked position. Only ONE door may have a double keyed deadbolt. Therefore, only one door in an entire building may have hardware on it that requires a key to exit. For buildings with multiple tenants having no common exits, each separate tenant space may have its own main exit utilize a double keyed deadbolt.