

Self-Close vs. Manual Close Safety Cabinets

On occasion customers purchase a safety cabinet with manual close doors only to find their state or local fire code requires safety cabinets with self-close doors. Justrite offers retro-fitting self-close kits for some of our cabinet sizes, however, keep in mind this modification to a safety cabinet violates the cabinet's FM-approval, the Justrite warranty, and based on the craftsmanship of the installer, can jeopardize safety. The following reference chart illustrates the adoption of model codes by state and their door style requirement. We recommend customers check with local authorities having jurisdiction as local codes may prevail.

Safety Cabinet Manual vs. Self-Close Door Requirement by State

State	Flammable Liquid Safety Cabinet				Hazardous Material Safety Cabinet	
	OSHA	NFPA 30	NFPA 1	IFC	NFPA 1	IFC
Alabama	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Alaska	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Arizona	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Arkansas	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC	SC	SC	SC
California	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Colorado	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC	SC	SC	SC
Connecticut	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC	SC	SC	SC
Delaware	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Florida	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Georgia	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Hawaii	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Idaho	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Illinois	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Indiana	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Iowa	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Kansas	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Kentucky	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC	SC	SC	SC
Louisiana	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Maine	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Maryland	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Massachusetts	M or SC	M or SC				
Michigan	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Minnesota	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Mississippi	M or SC	M or SC				

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Montana	M or SC	M or SC				
Nebraska	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Nevada	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
New Hampshire	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
New Jersey	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC	SC	SC	SC
New Mexico	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
New York	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
North Carolina	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
North Dakota	M or SC	M or SC				
Ohio	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Oklahoma	M or SC	M or SC				
Oregon	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Pennsylvania	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Rhode Island	M or SC	M or SC				
South Carolina	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
South Dakota	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Tennessee	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC	SC		SC
Texas	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC	SC	SC	SC
Utah	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Vermont	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Virginia	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
Washington	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
West Virginia	M or SC	M or SC	M or SC		SC	
Wisconsin	M or SC	M or SC				
Wyoming	M or SC	M or SC		SC		SC
District of Columbia	M or SC			SC		SC

Notes:

- 1) This chart is for reference only and does not preclude customers from confirming their codes requirements with their local authority having jurisdiction.
- 2) Enforcement can favor the most conservative law (self-close doors).
- 3) This chart is based on state codes, locals codes may prevail.
- 4) This information is subject to change and is not warranted.