Gate Operation

The main gate is a steel tube gate, that is approximately 10 feet wide by 4 feet tall. It's purpose is to block entry to the main driveway and is situated at the top of the hill. The right side of the gate rides on two hinges that have been screwed into a 12" diameter post. The post is 8', and is sunk into the ground around 2.5-3 feet, and is reinforced with concrete. The gate swings inward toward the property, and is typically held open using a stamped steel garden fence post. When closed, the corner of the gate rests upon a stack of rocks next to the lock post. The locking post is a 12" diameter post of approximately the same height as the hinge post. A chain goes around the locking post and through the bottom of the gate. There is a keyed padlock on the end of the chain. This is used by the county if they need access to the driveway. A combination padlock is used to connect the shackle of the keyed padlock to the other end of the chain, completing the lock.



There is enough room to pull onto the drive apron from the road to open the gate. Do not run into the gate and set your emergency brake before exiting the vehicle.

When you open the gate, use the Combination lock and open the shackle. Undo the chain from around the corner of the gate and leave the locks and chain next to the locking post. Swing the gate fully past the drive and prop the gate open using the garden fence post.





It might be a good idea to close and possibly lock the gate in the evening.

When leaving the property, it is probably best to pull out onto Compton Hill and pull over slightly, turning on your hazards. The apron is fairly steep and may have gravel, making it hard to stop on. Swing the gate closed, resting the gate on the rocks. Run the chain through the corner of the gate, and use the combination lock to connect the shackle of the keyed lock to the chain link on the other end of the chain. The chain does not need to be tight. Make sure to spin the combination at least 1 full turn around.

