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## EasyKeys HM945

# EasyKeys Replacement Key for Hudson HM945 Instruction Manual

## 1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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This manual provides instructions for the EasyKeys Replacement Key, specifically designed for Hudson lock series HM201 - HM1050. This custom-cut key is compatible with Hudson marine boat locks.

The key is cut on a 1098X key blank and is made of durable brass material, ensuring reliable performance for your locking needs.

## 2. IDENTIFYING YOUR LOCK CODE

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To ensure you have the correct replacement key, it is essential to accurately identify your lock code. The lock code determines the specific cut of your key.

**Important: Always verify that your lock code and manufacturer match the product title. Key cuts differ by brand, even if codes appear similar.**

# Where to Find Your Lock Code



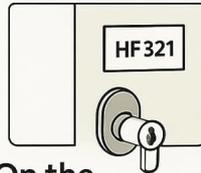
On the Key



On the Lock Face



On a Label Inside/  
Behind the Lock



On the  
Cabinet/Door Label



## Important Notes

- Order by Manufacturer → Lock codes are manufacturer-specific.
- Key Cuts Differ → Even if codes look similar, they vary by brand.

An image illustrating various locations where a lock code can be found: on the original key (e.g., FR322), on the face of the lock (e.g., FR322), on a label inside or behind the lock (e.g., CODE: G38), and on a cabinet or door label (e.g., HF321). Below these illustrations are important notes: 'Order by Manufacturer -> Lock codes are manufacturer-specific' and 'Key Cuts Differ -> Even if codes look similar, they vary by brand.'

### Methods to Locate Your Lock Code:

- **On the Original Key:** The code is often stamped directly on the key itself.
- **On the Lock Face:** Look for the code stamped on the visible part of the lock cylinder.
- **Inside/Behind the Lock:** For some locks, the code may be on a label or stamped on the mechanism hidden inside or behind the lock assembly.
- **On a Cabinet/Door Label:** In certain applications, the lock code might be listed on a label affixed to the cabinet or door the lock secures.

## 3. KEY USAGE

This replacement key is designed for simple and direct use with compatible Hudson locks.

1. **Insert the Key:** Gently insert the key into the lock's keyway until it is fully seated.
2. **Turn to Unlock/Lock:** Turn the key clockwise or counter-clockwise as required to engage or disengage the lock mechanism.
3. **Remove the Key:** Once the lock is operated, remove the key.



A close-up image of a silver replacement key with a circular head. The code 'HM201' is clearly stamped on the key head. The key blade features a standard cut pattern.

#### 4. PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	EasyKeys
Model Name	HM945
Manufacturer (Lock)	Hudson
Compatible Series	Hudson HM201 - HM1050
Material	Brass
Lock Type Compatibility	Cam
Key Blank Type	1098X
Item Dimensions (L x W x H)	0.5 x 0.5 x 1 inches
Item Weight	4 ounces
Included Components	1 Key
Special Features	Custom Cut Key, Durable

#### 5. MAINTENANCE

This replacement key requires minimal maintenance to ensure its longevity and proper function.

- **Cleaning:** If the key becomes dirty, wipe it with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid using abrasive cleaners or harsh chemicals, as these can damage the key's finish.
- **Storage:** Store the key in a dry place, away from excessive moisture or corrosive environments, to prevent corrosion.
- **Lubrication:** Do not apply lubricants directly to the key. If the lock mechanism becomes stiff, apply a graphite-based lubricant directly into the lock's keyway, not on the key itself. This helps maintain the lock's internal components without coating the key.

## 6. TROUBLESHOOTING

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### Key Does Not Turn in Lock:

1. **Verify Lock Code:** Double-check that the HM945 code on your key matches the code required for your specific Hudson lock. An incorrect code will prevent the key from operating the lock.
2. **Check for Obstructions:** Ensure the lock's keyway is clear of any debris, dirt, or foreign objects that might be blocking the key's path.
3. **Inspect Key for Damage:** Carefully examine the key for any visible damage such as bends, breaks, or excessive wear on the cuts. A damaged key may not insert or turn correctly.
4. **Lubricate Lock:** If the lock mechanism feels stiff or difficult to turn, apply a small amount of graphite lubricant into the lock's keyway. Avoid using oil-based lubricants as they can attract dirt.

If issues persist after performing these troubleshooting steps, please contact EasyKeys customer support for further assistance.

## 7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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For information regarding warranty coverage for your EasyKeys Replacement Key or to contact customer support, please refer to the EasyKeys official website or your original purchase documentation.

**Key Supplier:** EasyKeys

**Lock Manufacturer:** Hudson (for the compatible lock mechanism)