Safety Information for Owners of Automatic Gates

Provide safety information to gate users.

Obtain safety information from gate manufacturers or dealers. Important user precautions include:

- Do not let children play on or near an automatic gate.
- Do not open or close the gate if anyone is near. Most gates do not reverse automatically if they hit an object.
- Do not let people walk near a moving or open gate.
- · Keep hands and feet away from rollers.
- Do not reach through or lean against the gate.
- Post and maintain warning signs on both sides of your gate.







For safety and security, do not let unauthorized users have transmitters, keys, or cards for the gate.

Inspect and maintain your gate.

- Automatic gates require regular inspection and maintenance. Refer to your gate operator instruction manual for the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Be sure that the property manager or other responsible individual knows how to safely disconnect the automatic mechanism and operate the gate manually.
- Be sure the emergency vehicle access system is working properly.
- Test the sensing devices on your gate every month.
- Request a safety review from a qualified professional.
- Repairs should be made only by qualified professionals.

Consider safety upgrades.

Current safety upgrades can reduce the risk associated with automatic gates. For your particular gate installation, contact your dealer for information about safety devices that may be appropriate. Upgrades can include:

- alarms (sounds, flashing lights)
- automatic reversing edges and sensors
- screens to help prevent reaching through
- placing key switches and control devices at a safe distance away from the gate
- key switches for emergency vehicle access
- vehicle loop detection system
- battery backup system
- guards for rollers, swing arms, or other pinch points



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WARNING: Serious injuries can occur when automatic gates are not used properly. Automatic gates are designed for vehicles, not pedestrians. You are responsible for the safe condition and usage of your gate. Regular inspection and maintenance of your gate, as well as safety upgrades, can help prevent injuries.



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