



## Sliding Gate Monthly Checks

In addition to the regular maintenance service provided by a suitably qualified engineer under a maintenance contract there are simple monthly checks that you can do to ensure that you have a safe gate throughout the year as accidents could happen to affect the safe operation of the gate between maintenance service visits.

### Sliding Gates:

- Check the smooth operation of the gate
- Check that the photocells are clean and free from plants
- CE mark clearly fixed to the gate and still legible
- Place a dustbin (or similar sturdy object NOT a person) in the path of the gate when it is closing the gate should not move from the open position
- Place a dustbin behind the gate and signal to open the gate should not move
- Push a dustbin into the gate when it is closing it should halt and reverse when the bin passes the entrance
- Broom handle test: (vertical bar gates)
- Place a broom handle or stick into the gate when it opens onto the support posts, it should stop moving when the stick comes into contact with the support posts against the rubber safety edge strips (Do not under ANY circumstances use your limbs for this test)
- If mesh is fitted to protect from dragging into the machine check that it is still attached properly to the gate

For ANY other problems with the gate, contact your Maintenance Company or manufacturer. Only qualified persons (manufacturer of the gate or maintenance company) should alter the equipment within the cabinet or add any additional control devices as this may require extra safety devices to ensure the gate complies with the EU Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC.

Any automated gate should fail safe in the event of any of the equipment on the gate not working or developing a fault.

Example Checklist to be kept up to date and available for inspection if required.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Date checked												
Checked By												
Performed as expected?												

If the gate does not perform as expected, i.e at time of commissioning, then contact your responsible agent for help or call out.

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