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AUTOMATED GATES DON'T MEET THE LATEST SAFETY STANDARDS

If your gates aren't UL 325 compliant, you face an increased liability risk.

New Industry Safety Standards Took Effect January 12, 2016

Underwriters Laboratories (UL), a global safety science company dedicated to fostering safe living and working environments, has updated its set of standards for automatic gates—UL 325—to help you ensure that people and property stay safe.

Now, all compliant gate systems must have two independent safety entrapment protection devices installed at each entrapment zone that will stop the operator from working if they're not functioning properly.

Two examples of independent entrapment protection devices include:

1. The inherent reversing system in a LiftMaster® 2016 UL 325 Listed Gate Operator
2. External monitored photo eyes and/or edge sensors

Why You Should Prioritize Gate Safety

Today's homeowners and renters are putting more emphasis on the safety and security of their homes, which is why 11 million households across the U.S. reside in gated communities like yours. You know firsthand that more homes mean more activity—from servicemen working in and around your community to children playing around automated gates. Not being up to the latest standards can jeopardize your entire community's safety.

Noncompliant automated gates threaten:



Residents and Guests



Employees



Property Assets



Always Know Your Community Is Safe with LiftMaster

LiftMaster is the number one brand of professionally installed residential garage door openers as well as a major manufacturer of commercial door operators, residential and commercial gate operators, telephone entry systems and related access control products. Because we put safety at the forefront of everything we do—from delivering quality products to providing comprehensive services—you'll always know your community is secure. As your trusted gate partner, we can work with you to help mitigate your risk and stay ahead of the latest industry safety standards.

See page 2 for the visual gate safety check.



THE VISUAL GATE SAFETY CHECK

You'll need: a tape measure

A crucial part of your job is keeping your community as safe as possible. Work with a LiftMaster® Authorized Dealer to ensure that your gate access systems are designed, installed and maintained in accordance with UL 325 and ASTM F2200 Safety Standards—so you don't have to worry about liability risk.

Before you begin, keep the following in mind:

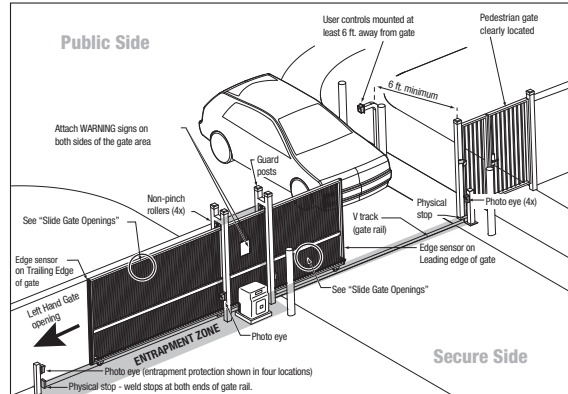
- Operators should only be installed on gates used for vehicles
- A separate pedestrian entry/exit must be clearly visible to promote pedestrian usage

Out of all the ways you can find out if your gate system's potential entrapment zones are covered, here are the five most common safety checks:*

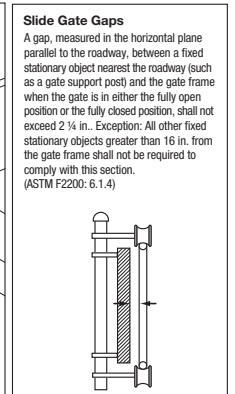
- 1 Check for two monitored independent means of protection properly installed at each entrapment zone. These include monitored photo eyes and sensing edges.
- 2 Make sure two warning signs are installed both inside and outside the fence.
- 3 Measure the distance between user controls and the gate—it should be at least 6 ft.
- 4 Measure the gap below a swing gate. If it's greater than 6 in. and less than 16 in., you have an unsafe entrapment zone that must be protected.
- 5 For slide gates, ensure that picket spacing is no more than 2.25 in. to prevent people from reaching through or passing through a gate.

If You Have a Slide Gate

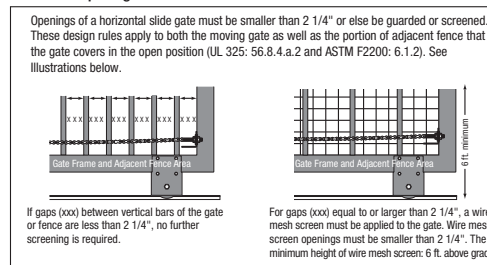
Slide Gate Site Layout Guidelines



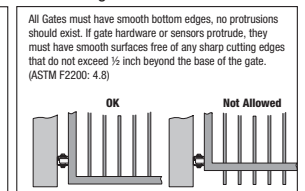
Slide Gate Spacing Guidelines



Slide Gate Openings Guidelines

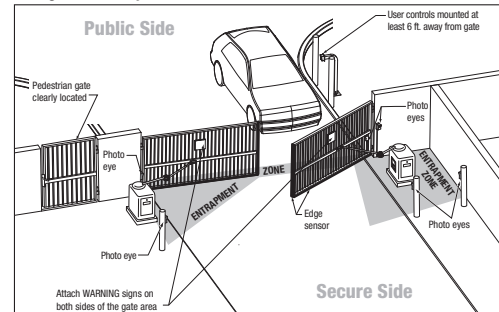


Base of Swing and Slide Gate

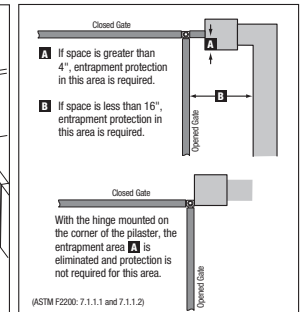


If You Have a Swing Gate

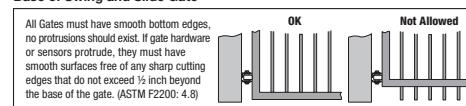
Swing Gate Site Layout Guidelines



Swing Gate Clearance Guidelines



Base of Swing and Slide Gate



The above examples are two of many installation possibilities and are for illustrative purposes only. See device and operator manuals for complete installation instructions.

Want to make sure your gate is as safe as it can be or find out more about our UL 325 Compliant Gate Systems?

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