



# Choosing a Powered Gate?



Why you should choose a Safety Assured installation by a DHF Powered Gate Group member



## Powered Gate Group Safety Assured logo, what it means to you

Only when a company can achieve our stringent quality and safety standards do we permit them to use the Safety Assured logo.

The Safety Assured logo is your assurance that the member company has the skills and knowledge to ensure your gate is safe for you, your family or employees and the general public to use.

Using a DHF Powered Gate Group member company gives you the confidence that they will have the ability to provide a safe system that will fulfil your needs. Member companies also have at their disposal the backing of our extensive training, legal and technical standards advice and guidance. For more information about the responsibility of gate owners regarding the safety of gates, please refer to our website <http://www.dhfonline.org.uk/publications-gates-automation.aspx>

The DHF Powered Gate Group comprises the UK's premier installation companies and the major automation equipment suppliers who work together to provide state of the art technology in safe and reliable installations.





## Your assurance of safety

An automatic powered gate - whether for residential, commercial or industrial use - can be the ultimate in convenience, ease of use and security.

It must however be safe for users and passers-by in operation.

When choosing an automatic powered gate from a DHF Powered Gate Group member you are assured that the company has:

- undergone our intensive Gate Safety training programme**
- achieved our Powered Gate Safety Diploma qualification**
- signed up to a rigorous and binding code of conduct**
- committed to comply with or exceed all current safety standards**



Trained




Qualified



Skilled



## What the Powered Gate Group member code of conduct means to you

Powered Gate Group installation companies are bound to issue a Declaration of Conformity and apply the corresponding  mark to all new gate installations as required by the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations; this is their assurance to you that the gate is safe.

When a Powered Gate Group member company comes to service or repair your powered gate they will first assess it for hazards and report its condition to you. If safety needs improving, the company will give you a quotation for the required works.

If a company repairs or services a gate that is not safe for users, they will be liable under criminal law. In addition they could also be sued for negligence. It is for these reasons that we advise our members not to do any work on a system that does not result in a safe gate.

If an unsafe powered gate is left in service, the owner could be prosecuted under criminal law or sued for negligence in the event of an incident involving the gate. An unsafe powered gate should not be left in powered service; it could however in many cases revert to manual use pending installation of the required safety measures.



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