

ASSOCIATION OF GARAGE DOOR SPECIALISTS

Consumer Information Sheet

Power Operated Garage Doors

A remote control electric operator is a significant benefit that not only provides the convenience of being able to open and close your garage door from the comfort of your car, but can also improve the security of your door, this information sheet is a guide to the quality and standards you can expect.

The Quality Check

- Before having a Remote Control Operator installed you need to ensure that the installing company is able to comply with the requirements of current UK Law relating to electric operators installed to domestic garage doors.
- All power operated garage doors must be CE marked after installation and commissioning, check that the proposed installer knows this, and is able to provide a legal CE Mark and a Declaration of Conformity
- Also check that he is aware that a switched socket outlet must be installed adjacent to the motor head, in such a position that the factory fitted lead and plug can be connected without any wiring alteration being required.

THE FACTS

When an electric operator is installed to a garage door, the whole Power Operated Door assembly becomes a machine and as such the installed product has to fulfill the requirements of the UK Safety of Machinery Regulations.

THE ELECTRIC OPERATOR

There are a range of operators on the market from basic no frills units, to more sophisticated units

The most important factor is that the operator must have a Declaration of Incorporation which clearly identifies which type and size of garage door it is designed to drive in a safe manner, and should list any additional safety devices which may be necessary

While automatic reversal upon hitting an obstruction should be a feature on all operators it may not be so. We strongly recommend that an additional safety control, such as photo-cells or a bottom rail safety edge is also installed. These safety devices will help to minimise damage or injury, however please remember a power operated door must be used sensibly and safely at all times

THE INSTALLER

In order to comply with UK Legal Requirements the installing company :

- is required to ensure and confirm that both the door and operator are compatible to each other, by means of Declarations of Incorporation
- should provide training to ensure that installers are competent to carry out a safe installation, and certified to carry out electrical wiring.
- is responsible for attaching a permanent CE mark to the power operated door
- issues to the client a Declaration of Conformity for the power operated door
- must maintain a Technical Records File

FOR YOUR PROTECTION ensure that whoever installs your electric operator is both willing and able to fulfill the legal requirements - If they are not do not use them.

Member companies of The Association of Garage Door Specialists CAN and WILL install your operator SAFELY and LEGALLY

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