

ASK JOE HETZEL

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Q How do I find out if an existing automated vehicular gate complied with safety requirements when it was installed?

JOE: Confirm whether the operator has a label indicating compliance to UL 325. Then, find out when the operator was manufactured. The UL 325 edition and manufacture date determine the instructional safety requirements.

Next, determine what code governed the installation. It may be a local code, an ordinance, or an ICC model code (2009 IFC, 2009 IBC, 2012 IRC, or later editions) that references compliance to UL 325 and ASTM F2200.

If there is no label, review the printed installation instructions for that operator and contact the manufacturer with any questions relating to safety requirements.

Q Can DASMA provide me with advice on an installation where the framing needs to be altered to accommodate a door?

JOE: The short answer is no. On such matters, follow the door manufacturer's installation instructions unless the door manufacturer allows an exception. These matters are best handled by the specific manufacturer involved. ■




Clarification: UL 325 article

In our article on "New changes to UL 325" (page 68 of our fall issue), the second to the last sentence said, "Complying with UL 325 is not optional; it is required by law."

Some parts of UL 325 are indeed required by law, but not all parts. It would be more accurate to say, "It would be unwise to consider compliance with UL 325 as optional; in many cases, compliance is required by law."


We apologize for the misstatement. ■



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