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In 2010 two children were fatally injured in separate incidents involving powered access gates.



The deaths occurred because the presence of the children was not detected at the closing edge of the gate and the closing force of the gate when they obstructed it was too high.

As a result of these tragedies the Health and Safety Executive issued safety notices giving details of the risks and protection measures associated with powered gates. Although primarily aimed at the gate industry the information is relevant to people responsible for gates to help them ensure that the companies they engage to maintain or install their gates are competent.

To access this important safety information [click here](#).