

**Issued on behalf of Pickersgill-Kaye****Date: 4.8.11****Ref: PR31a MPL CE rating****BS EN RATING DEMONSTRATES PICKERSGILL-KAYE'S QUALITY**

After bringing in-house the sales of its market leading High Security Multipoint locks, bolts and secure access systems, Pickersgill-Kaye is pleased to announce the attainment of the BS EN 1125:2008 and BS EN 179:2008 ratings for the emergency escape devices included in the range.

The new certification updates that already held under the sales agreement with Adams Rite, while also endorsing the quality standards and production control at the Leeds based lock manufacturer's site.

Following a comprehensive mechanical testing process, factory inspection and production assessment, all undertaken by Exova Warrington APT, both surface and mortice mounted iterations (HS120 & HS210) of the emergency/panic escape locks passed the standards required for certification, allowing architects and contractors to continue specifying them as an essential part of a secure doorset.

Achieving the BS EN standard is a legal requirement for these devices and product compliance is strictly audited on an annual basis. Successful certification demonstrates that Pickersgill-Kaye has the infrastructure to support both production and sales of the High Security Multipoint Locks range for the long term and is fully committed to maintaining its position at the leading edge of lock design and manufacture.

Peter Murphy, managing director of Pickersgill-Kaye said: "All our products have a long standing reputation for performance, strength, security and durability. Our multipoint locking products have always held BS EN certification but it is a positive step to now get this under our own name and reassures our customers that we plan to continue providing a full range of the highest quality security products."

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Pickersgill-Kaye's High Security Multipoint range of locks, bolts and fittings has been specifically developed to meet exacting standards of physical attack but maintain safe and easy exit, when needed, without compromising health and safety issues. The products are manufactured to the highest specifications and, in addition to the BS EN standards, have undergone independent blast testing, fire testing and rigorous cycle testing to in excess of 1 million cycles.

Suitable for both steel and wooden doors, the range incorporates several operational options to conform to current fire safety standards and DDA regulations and can be integrated with specialised access control requirements or configurations to meet most applications. The High Security Multipoint locks are constructed with hardened steel bolts and stainless steel lock cases and, as with all Pickersgill-Kaye products, are backed by outstanding technical expertise.

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**Background information:**

Pickersgill-Kaye Ltd has built a solid reputation over the past 150 years through the specialist design and manufacture of Kaye's patent door locks for the architectural and railway industries throughout the UK and overseas. More recently, the company has diversified and is now using its expertise to design, supply & maintain high security locks for the UK detention and high security industries.

Operating from premises in Leeds, the company uses state of the art CAD systems linked to advanced CNC engineering facilities, producing high quality, British engineered products to the highest quality standards.

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