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Fall Arrest Systems for use with Sarnafil Roofing Systems

In 2003 Sarnafil and Latchways launched the Sarnafil Constant Force post fall arrest/restraint system. At the time the system was unique and offered numerous advantages over traditional systems, including:

- Installation after completion of the roof, enabling the system to be retrofitted to new and existing Sarnafil roofs.
- A hot air weldable base plate, providing waterproofing integrity in a fraction of the time required by traditional posts.
- Suitable for steel, timber or concrete decks.
- Supported by a full design service from Latchways, including electronic CAD and PDF drawing issue.
- Guaranteed by Sarnafil Ltd, ensuring terms and conditions for both systems are aligned and giving the client a single point of responsibility.
- Installation by either a Latchways trained Sarnafil Registered Contractor or a Latchways trained fall arrest specialist, giving the Sarnafil contractor freedom of choice for installation.

Inevitably the successful introduction and ongoing volume of work has resulted in the introduction of a number of 'me too' fall arrest products. The purpose of this information sheet is to advise you of the Sarnafil position with regard to these products, many of which claim to be either approved by Sarnafil or suitable for use with Sarnafil.

Sarnafil do not provide any approval for proprietary fall arrest systems, our policy with regard to these systems is;

Traditional Posts Any traditional galvanised steel through roof fall arrest posts can be used within a Sarnafil roof and waterproofed with Sarnafil standard detail 5.2. Fall arrest systems utilising any form of coated post, coated base plate or plastic counter flashing cannot be used with a Sarnafil roofing system.

Hot air welded posts Many companies now claim to have products that can be hot air welded within a Sarnafil roofing system. Of this product type only the Sarnafil Constant Force post is suitable due to issues of compatibility and the durability of the applied coating, both of which have a potential impact on the durability of the Sarnafil membrane.

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All data in our product information are based on our current knowledge and experience. They do not release users from careful testing of the application and strict observation of the relevant processing regulations because of the wide range of possible influences during the application and use of our products. Legally valid assurances of specific characteristics or suitability for special purposes of application other than those provided in our documentation for the specific product cannot be inferred from our information. Any protective rights or existing laws and provisions must be followed by the recipient or processor of our products at their own responsibility. Moreover our general terms and conditions of sale and warranty are valid.

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