



# Configurable Access & Control for Machine Guarding







## **Introduction to Fortress:**

**Fortress** designs and manufactures customised safety equipment, protecting lives in hazardous workplaces. Our reputation is as a global provider of robust safety specifications for manufacturing environments.

**Why Interlocks?** Interlocking is a method of controlling two or more interdependent operations which must take place in a predetermined sequence, if necessary remotely controlled or time delayed. The need for this sequence may be safety to personnel and equipment, or it may be to control processes and productivity.

Over the last 40 years, Fortress has become well known in the industry for innovative design, robust engineering and reliability. Headquarters are in Wolverhampton (UK), with supporting offices and manufacturing facilities in the USA, Netherlands, Australia and China, further supported by a global network of trusted distributors and channel partners.

## Fortress' current product portfolio includes:

mGard - The only range of mechanical interlocks independently certified to PLe

amGardpro - Heavy duty safety gate switches with connectivity and trapped key integration certified to PLe

amGardS40 - Stainless steel IP69K safety gate switches independently certified to PLe

tGard - Medium duty interlocks with configurable built-in control functionality independently certified to PLd

ncGard - A range of safety switches with non-contact technology



## Introduction to **Gard**

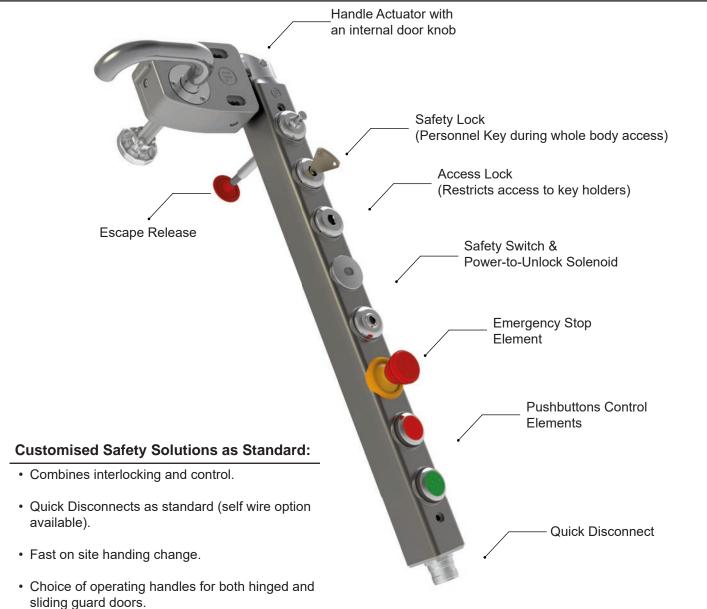
tGard is a compact metal bodied system that enables the configuration of various safety products including electrical safety gate switches (with or without guard locking), mechanical trapped key interlocks, and electrical operator controls either as separate devices or any combination of these three functions in one unit.

tGard offers "a customised safety solution, as standard". Each order is defined by a range of tGard elements that include selector switches, safety switches (solenoid and non-solenoid), personnel keys, emergency release, pushbuttons, E-Stops, indicator lamps and a choice of operating handles for both hinged and sliding guard doors.

tGard's metal body includes through-holes for quick installation on aluminium profiles, flat surfaces, doors and even back of panels without the need for mounting plates.

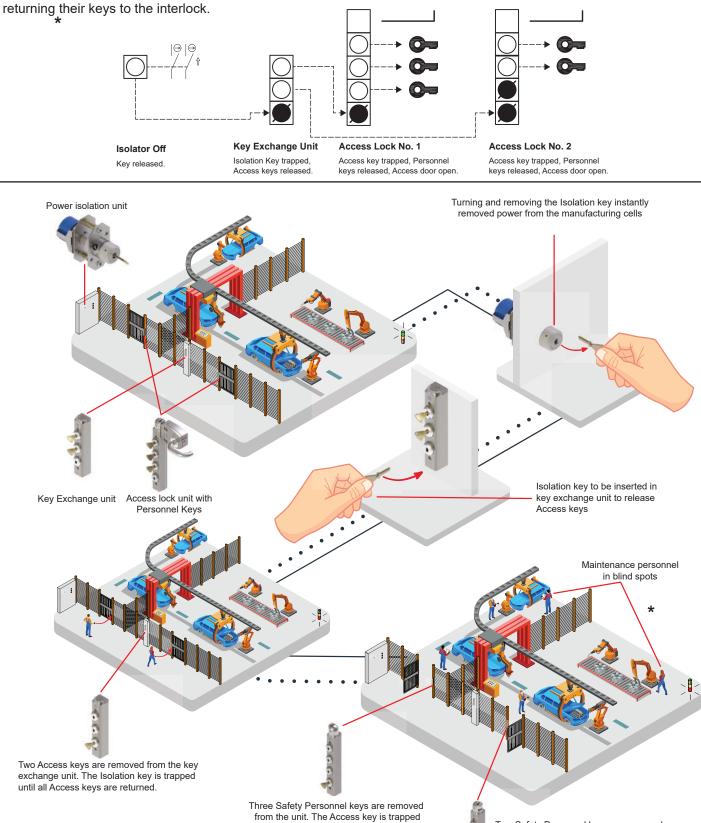
It is IP65 as standard and has been designed to be fully compliant with the machinery safety standards.





#### **Application Requirement:**

Due to the size of the safeguarded space surrounding body transfer lines in an automotive plant, there are blind spots where a maintenance personnel could be performing work unknowingly to a line operator requesting the line to run. This could lead to the line running while maintenance personnel are still working within the cell. Therefore, the transfer line must be safeguarded to ensure access into the line can only be permitted while power to the line has been isolated and the safety circuits remain open until all personnel have exited the safeguarded space returning their keys to the interlock.



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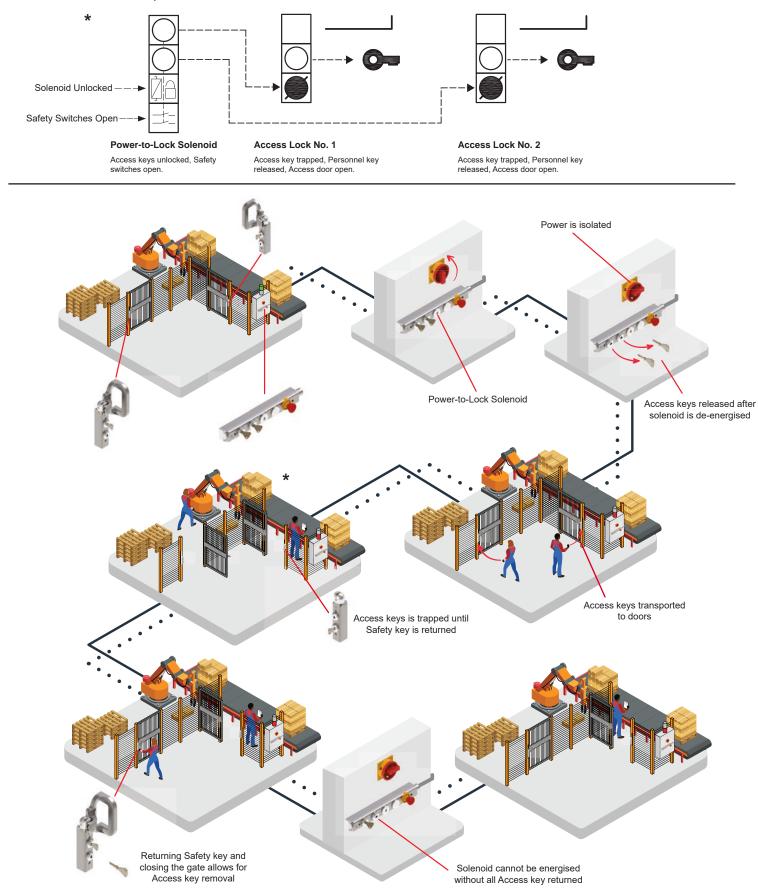
Two Safety Personnel keys are removed

from the unit. The Access key is trapped

and Actuator cannot lock until all Safety Personnel keys are returned.

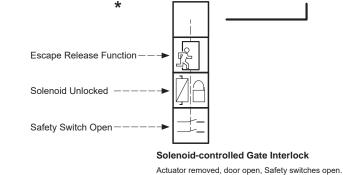
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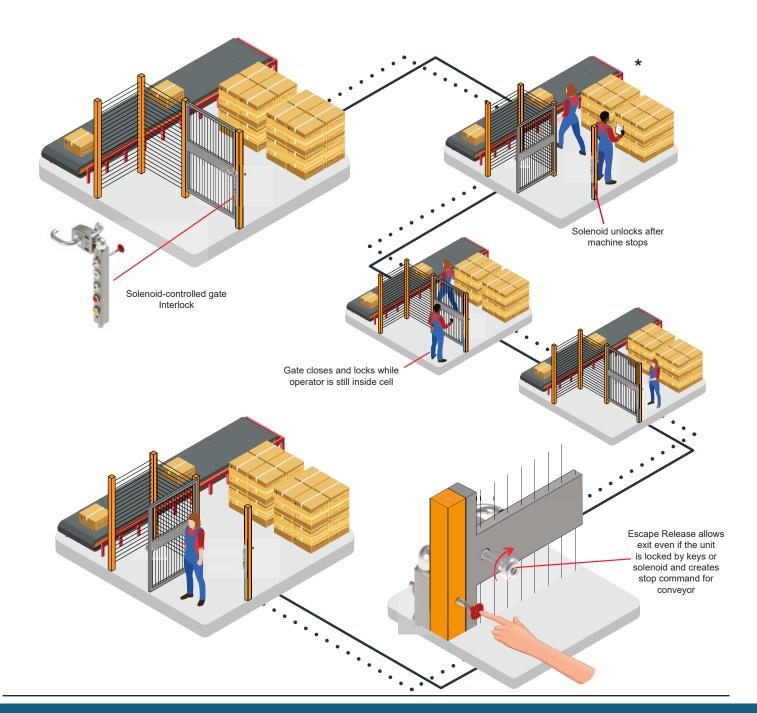
Robot arms require safeguarding measures during operation and when carrying loads. The robot pallet stacker below has two access points and a single central control panel. When mains power is isolated to the system, the Power-to-Lock solenoid is de-energised and Access keys for the access points are released. Mechanical only interlocks at the guard can be opened with an Access key whilst also providing a personnel key for the operator to take inside the cell to prevent restart.



#### **Application Requirement:**

The conveyor system in an automated warehousing application below is safeguarded by interlocked guards. Access is required to remove incorrect packages or clear blockages on the conveyor. The solenoid interlock keeps the guard locked until the conveyor stops, pushbutton functionality for additional control is included. The inclusion of an escape release mechanism allows any operator who finds them self behind a locked guard to override the keys and / or solenoid to exit.





# Common Configurations for **CGard**



## **Guard Switch**

2NC, 1NO Safety Switch



### **Guard Lock with Integrated Machine Control**

Personnel key available for operator to carry



### **Guard Lock**

Power-to-Unlock solenoid with safety switch



THFSMDUQM

## **Guard Lock with Trapped Key Integration**

Access restricted to key holders, personnel key available for operator to carry



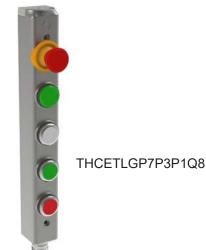
#### **Guard Lock with Escape Release**

Power-to-Unlock solenoid with safety switch. Escape release overrides locking mechanism and creates stop command



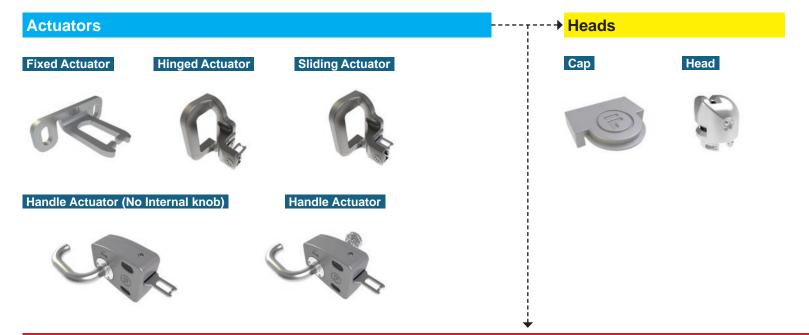
## **Control Station**

Control Station with emergency stop, indicator lamp and pushbuttons









Escape Release



Safety Switch & Solenoid





Safety Lock Access Lock



**Extension Blank Element** 



Safety Switch



**Emergency Stops** 





Safety Re-Start

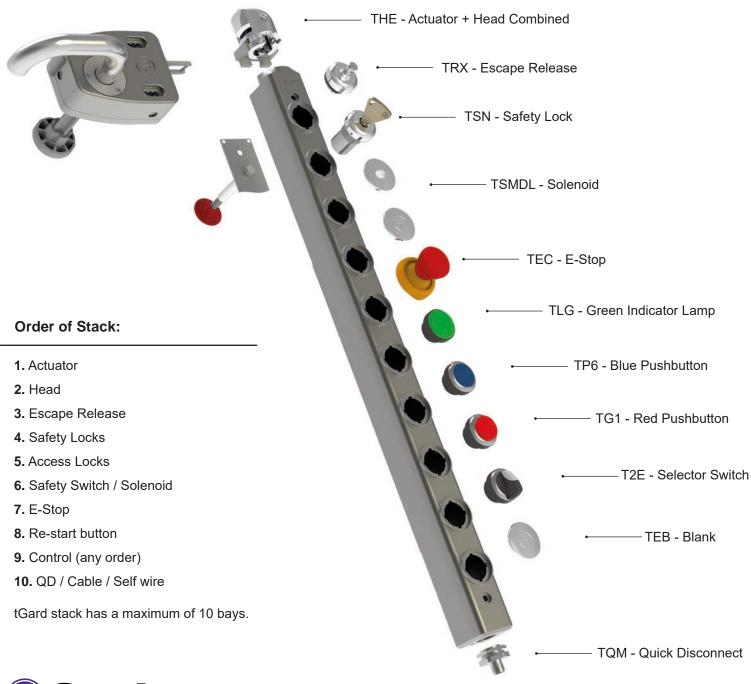


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Indicator Lamps	Non-Illuminating	Switches			
	Pushbuttons	2 Position Selector Switch	2 Position Selector Key Switch	<b>Mushroom Pushbutton</b>	<b>3 Position Selector Switch</b>
			CCO		
Illuminating Switc					
Pushbuttons	2 Position Select	or Switch 3 Position Sele	Ctor Switch		
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Safety & Control G	uick Disconnect C	onnectors	Keys	1	
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## How to Configure **CGard**

#### Configuration tools are available on the Fortress website, www.fortressinterlocks.com/tgard-configurator



## **Configuration Guideline**

At the end of the selection process, the part numbers drop their "T", except the first item. Example:

## THE + TRX + TSN +TSMDL + TEC + TLG + TP6 + TG1 + T2E + TEB + TQM = THERXSNSMDLECLGP6G12EEBQM

When creating a tGard stack, the wiring of connections follow these rules:

- 1. Safety circuits are in fixed positions on each connector and comprise of volt free circuits.
- 2. Inputs / outputs are allocated from the bottom of the stack, ascending.
- **3.** On any one element, the input is assigned first, then the output(s).
- 4. Outputs are +24v, taken from the +24v supply.
- 5. Selection of the connector depends upon the wiring requirements for inputs / outputs / safety circuit of the total stack.

## **Actuators**

## **Step 1: Actuators**



TAF

**Fixed Actuator** 



**TAH** Handle Actuator -Hinged Door



TAS Handle Actuator -Sliding Door





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**TEN** Handle Actuator -(no internal knob)



TEH Handle Actuator

## **Heads**

All Actuators

to be used in

combination with

Step 2: Head Modules





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## Step 3: Escape Release



### Step 4: Safety & Access Lock Element



**TSN** Standard Safety Lock (No Key)\*

**TGN** Master Safety Lock (No Key)\*



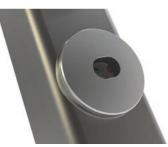
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Master Access Lock (No Key)\*

## Step 5: Safety Switches



**TSM** Safety Switch



TSP Safety Switch with extra retention force



**TSS** Safety Switch -No N/O monitor contact

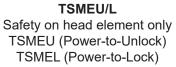


## Step 6: Solenoid Controlled Lock & Safety Switch Elements





TSMDU/L Head & solenoid safety in series TSMDU (Power-to-Unlock) TSMDL (Power-to-Lock)





TSSEL Safety on head element only (no monitoring contact on head) TSSEL (Power-to-Lock)



## **Step 7: Extension Blank Element**



TEB Extension Blank Element



#### **Step 8: Emergency Stop Element**



**TEC, TET, TEM, TEP, TEI** Emergency stop element, version available with a monitoring contact or illumination



E-Stop always mounted at the top of any control elements, but below solenoid/head/ safety switches/locks. TEM & TEI E-Stops can be positioned at the bottom of the stack

TES TES is Black version of the TET



## Step 9: Safety Re-Start Switch



**TSR** Safety Re-Start Switch - Blue



### **Step 10: Indicator Lamp Element**



## Step 11a: Non-Illuminating Switches



TPB 1 N/O Pushbutton -Black



TPR 1 N/O Pushbutton -Red



TPG 1 N/O Pushbutton -Green



TPW 1 N/O Pushbutton -White



TPY 1 N/O Pushbutton -Yellow



TPZ 1 N/O Pushbutton -Blue





T<sub>2</sub>A 2 Position Selector Switch - Latching

Step 11b: Illuminating Switches

T<sub>2</sub>V



2 Position Selector Switch - 1 N/O & 1 N/C



TK5 2 Position Selector Key Switch - Latching

T2E

2 Position Selector

Switch - Latching



TMB 1 N/O Mushroom Pushbutton - Black



T3D 3 Position Selector Switches - Momentary



T3H **3 Position Selector Switches** - Momentary/Latching



TP1 Pushbutton - Red



TP2 Pushbutton - Yellow



TP3 Pushbutton - Green



T3F

**3 Position Selector** 

Switches - Momentary

TP6 Pushbutton - Blue



TP7 Pushbutton - White





## Step 12a: Safety & Control Connectors



#### Step 12b: Foot, Self Wire Connectors, AS-interface



## Step 13: Mating Cables for Quick Disconnect Connectors

	Pin Assignr	nents fo	r Quick	Disconr	nect & N	/latin	g Cak	ole Pin Ass	signmo	ents									Cable Length	Cable Part No.
	Pins	ins																2M	Cable-2M-TQ1	
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3		Blue	SC 1	AS-i -	Green	Earth	Earth	Blue	0V	0V	White/ Yellow	> I/O 1	Grey	SC 1	SC 1	Green	Earth	Earth	20M	Cable-20M-TQ3
4		Black	SC 2	Aux +	Yellow	I/O 1	SC 2	White	) 1/0 1	SC 2	Brown	+ 24V	Red/Blue	SC 2	SC 2	Yellow	I/O 1	SC 2	2M	Cable-2M-TQ5
5		Grey	Earth	Earth	Grey	I/O 2	SC 1	Green	1/0 2	SC 1	Brown/Yellow	SC 2	Green	I/O 0	I/O 0	Grey	I/O 2	SC 1	5M	Cable-5M-TQ5
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7	Key SC = Safety Circuit				Blue	0V	0V	Grey	1/0 4	I/O 0	Yellow	I/O 6	Grey/Pink	I/O 1	I/O 1	Blue	0V	0V	20M	Cable-20M-TQ5
8	I/O = Input or Output QD = Quick				Red	1/0 4	I/O 0	Pink	1/0 5	I/O 1	Green	I/O 5	White/Green 🚞	I/O 2	I/O 2	Red	I/O 4	I/O 0	2M	Cable-2M-TQ7
9	Disconnect (connector at base)					·		Red	1/0 6	I/O 2	Pink	1/0 4	White/Yellow	I/O 3	I/O 3	Orange	I/O 5	I/O 1	5M	Cable-5M-TQ7
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14											Red	Earth	Brown/Green	I/O 7	I/O 7				10M	Cable-10M-TQ8/9
15													White	I/O 8	SC 3				20M	Cable-20M-TQ8/9
16													Yellow	I/O 9	SC 4				2M	Cable-2M-TQL/M
17													Pink	I/O 10	SC 3				5M	Cable-5M-TQL/M
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Step 14: Keys



**TKS** Standard Key **TKM** Master Key

**Step 15: Accessories** 







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