

Magnetic Locking Devices Detaching and Falling (Health & Safety Alert)

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Issue

A magnetic door locking bracket became detached from its fixing and collided with a student. The potential for a serious injury was significant.

The type of bracket is illustrated below:



Risk Awareness

The door in question was heavily used but did not form part of regular inspections.

Over time the bolts on the threaded lock screw had come off and the screw worked its way loose causing the plate to detach from the bracket.

Learning and Action

The security and stability of devices such as this must form part of regular door inspections.

Immediate inspection should take place of all devices and remedial actions taken where appropriate.