



# Configurable Access & Control for Machine Guarding











#### Introduction to tGard

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.









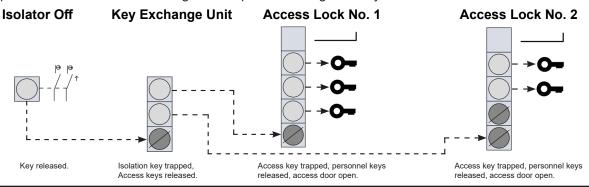
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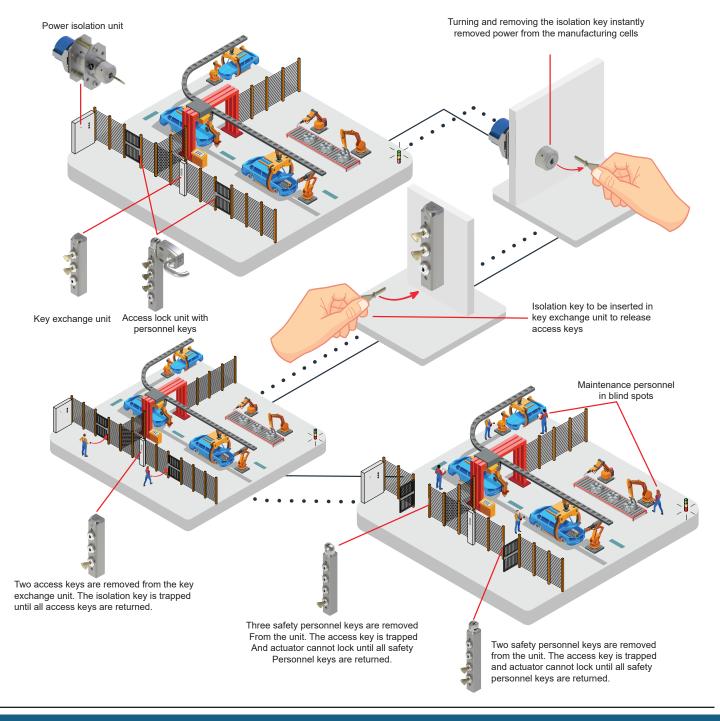


# **Body Transfer Line**

#### **Application Requirement:**

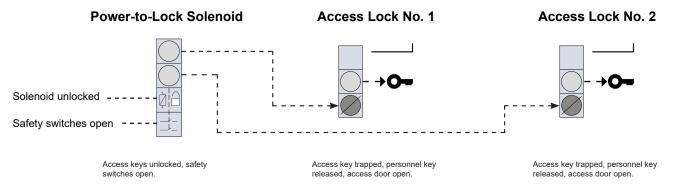
Due to the size of the safeguarded space surrounding body transfer lines in an automotive plant, there are blind spots where a maintenance personnel could be performing work unknowingly to a line operator requesting the line to run. This could lead to the line running while maintenance personnel are 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.

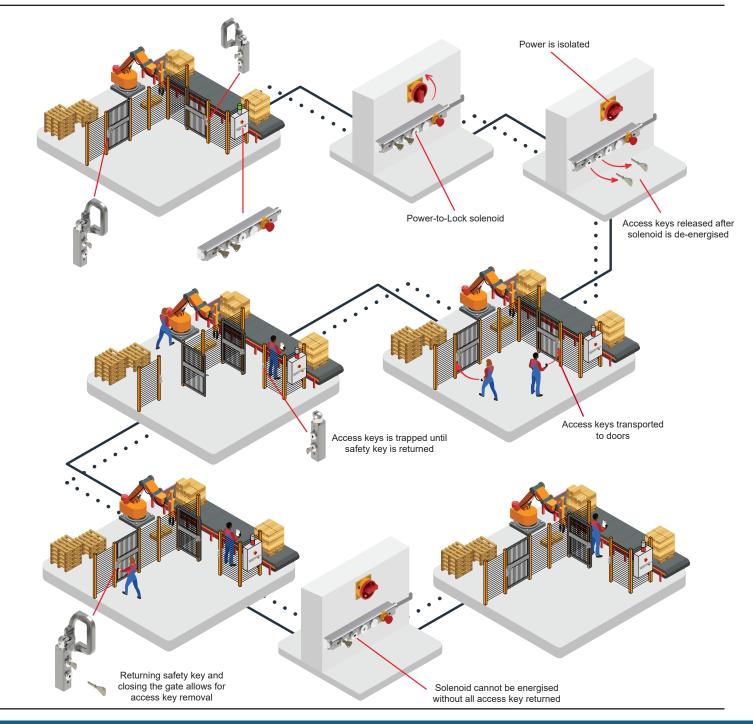




#### **Application Requirement:**

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.

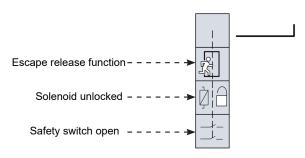




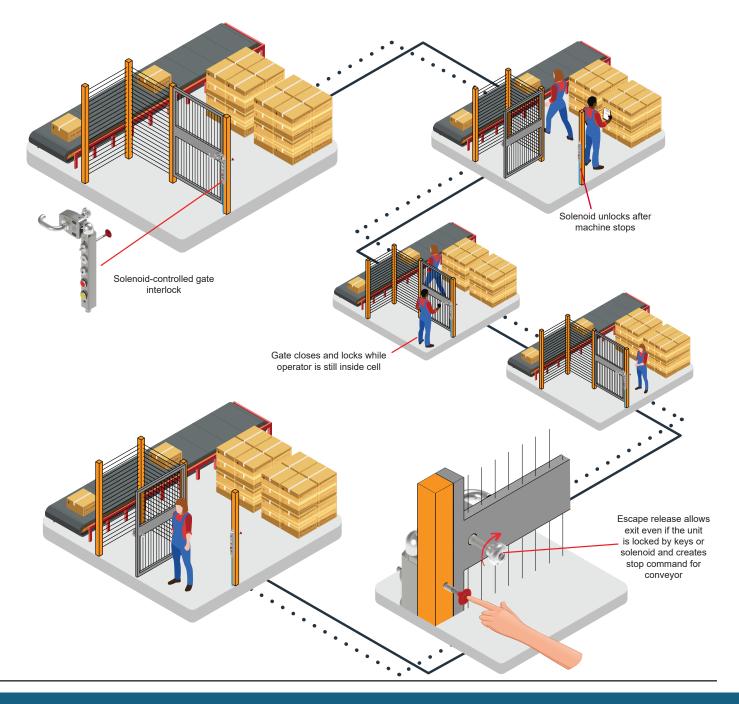
#### **Application Requirement:**

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.

#### **Solenoid-Controlled Gate Interlock**



Actuator removed, door open, safety switches open.



# **Common Configurations**

#### **Guard Switch**

2NC, 1NO safety switch



THENSMQ1

#### **Guard Lock**

Power-to-Unlock solenoid with safety switch



**THFSMDUQM** 

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

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



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

Personnel key available for operator to carry



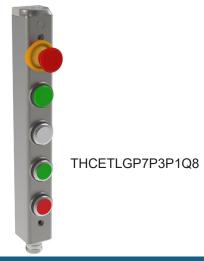
#### **Guard Lock with Trapped Key Integration**

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



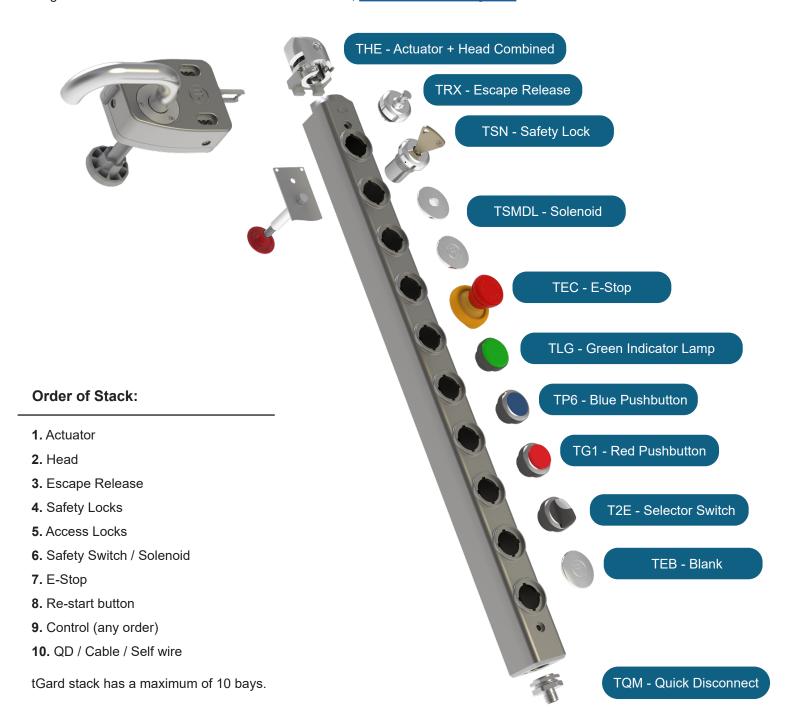
#### **Control Station**

Control Station with emergency stop, indicator lamp and pushbuttons



# **How to Configure**

Configuration tools are available on the Fortress website, www.fortress-safety.com



# **Configuration Example**

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.

# tGard Range

## **Actuators**

**Fixed Actuator** 

**Hinged Actuator** 

**Sliding Actuator** 







Handle Actuator (No Internal knob)

**Handle Actuator** 





## --→ Heads

Cap







## **Core Elements**

**Escape Release** 

Safety Lock













Safety Switch





Safety Switch & Solenoid



**Extension Blank Element** 



**Emergency Stops** 





Safety Re-Start



## → Core Elements

#### **Indicator Lamps**



**Pushbuttons** 





**Non-Illuminating Switches** 

**Mushroom Pushbutton** 

**3 Position Selector Switch** 















#### **Illuminating Switches**

**Pushbuttons** 

2 Position Selector Switch

**3 Position Selector Switch** 







#### Base Elements

**Safety & Control Quick Disconnect Connectors** 













## → Keys & Accessories









For more information on the lock-out clip see head & cap element operating instructions.













**AS- interface** 



#### Step 1: Actuators



**TAF**Fixed Actuator



**TAH**Handle Actuator Hinged Door



**TAS** Handle Actuator -Sliding Door



**THB** Blank Handle



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



**TEH**Handle Actuator

The internal knob on TEH handle doesn't override the solenoid or lock. A TRX/Z (emergency release element) must be used to deliver that functionality.

## **Step 2: Head Modules**





**THC** Cap



**THM** Head



THM + TAF = THF
Head module including
fixed actuator



THM + TAH = THH
Head module including
hinged actuator



THM + TAS = THS
Head module including
sliding actuator



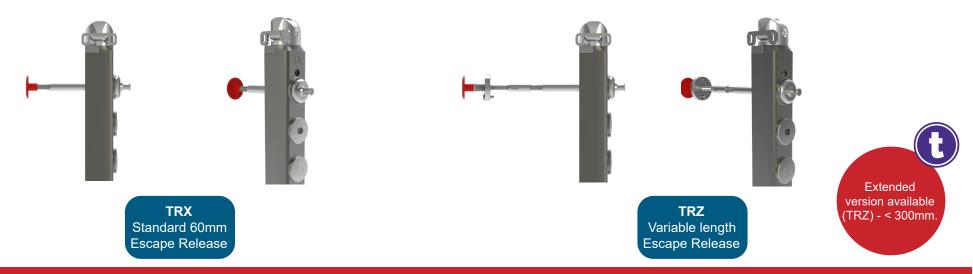
THM + TEN = THN
Head module including handle
actuator (No internal knob)



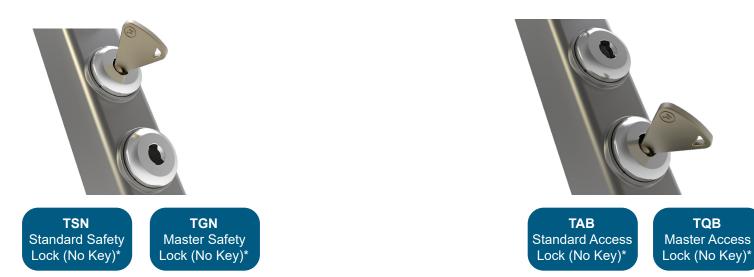
THM + TEH = THE
Head module including
handle actuator

# **Core Elements**

#### Step 3: Escape Release



Step 4: Safety & Access Lock Element



\*All keys need to be ordered separately.

## **Core Elements**

#### 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)

#### TSMEU/L

Safety on head element only TSMEU (Power-to-Unlock) TSMEL (Power-to-Lock)



**TSSEL** 

Safety on head element only (no monitoring contact on head)

TSSEL (Power-to-Lock)

#### Step 7: Extension Blank Element





## Step 8: Emergency Stop Element





TES
TES is black version
of the TET

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.

# **Core Elements**

## Step 9: Safety Re-Start Switch



Location of safety re-start switch in stack is highest control element after E-Stop's.

## Step 10: Indicator Lamp Element



TLB
Indicator Lamp Element Blue



TLG
Indicator Lamp Element Green



TLR
Indicator Lamp Element Red



**TLW** Indicator Lamp Element -White



TLY
Indicator Lamp Element Yellow

#### Step 11a: Non-Illuminating Switches



TPB
1 N/O Pushbutton Black



**T2A**2 Position Selector
Switch - Latching



TPR
1 N/O Pushbutton Red



**T2V** 2 Position Selector Switch - 1 N/O & 1 N/C



TPG 1 N/O Pushbutton -Green



**TK5**2 Position Selector Key
Switch - Latching



**TPW**1 N/O Pushbutton White



**TMB**1 N/O Mushroom
Pushbutton - Black



TPY
1 N/O Pushbutton Yellow



T3D
3 Position Selector
Switches - Momentary



TPZ 1 N/O Pushbutton -Blue



T3H
3 Position Selector Switches
- Momentary/Latching

## Step 11b: Illuminating Switches



**TP1** Pushbutton - Red



**TP2** Pushbutton - Yellow



**TP3**Pushbutton - Green



**TP6**Pushbutton - Blue



**TP7**Pushbutton - White







#### **Base Elements**

## Step 12a: Safety & Control Connectors













**TQ1** 5 Pin M12 QD

**TQ2 / TQ3** 8 Pin M12 QD **TQ4 / TQ5** 12 Pin M23 QD **TQ7** 14 Pin 7/8 UN2 QD **TQ8 / TQ9** 19 Pin M23 QD TQL / TQM 12 Pin M12 QD

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



**TBF**Foot Element



**TW1** 12 Terminals



TW3 24 Terminals **TW4** 24 T<u>erminals</u>



**TEBB4**Up to 2 AS-i nodes

**TEBB8**Up to 4 AS-i nodes

# Step 13: Mating Cables for Quick Disconnect Connectors

		Pin Assignments for Quick Disconnect & Mating Cable Pin Assignments  Pins															Cable Length	Cable Part No		
s	Pins		CableM- TQ1  5  M12  2	TEBB4 / 8  5  M12 -	1				CableM- TQ4 / TQ5 12 M23 0 2		Wire Colour								2M	Cable-2M-TQ
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6	Key				Pink	I/O 3 S0	2 Yellow		I/O 3	SC 2	Blue	0V	Blue	0V	0V	Pink	1/0 3	SC 2	10M	Cable-10M-T0
7	SC = Safety Circuit				Blue	0V 0V	Grey		I/O 4	1/0 0	Yellow	I/O 6	Grey/Pink	I/O 1	I/O 1	Blue	0V	0V	20M	Cable-20M-T
8	O = Input or Output D = Quick				Red	1/0 4 1/0	0 Pink		I/O 5	I/O 1	Green	I/O 5	White/Green	1/02	I/O 2	Red	1/0 4	I/O 0	2M	Cable-2M-TC
9	Disconnect (connector at base)						Red		1/0 6	I/O 2	Pink	I/O 4	White/Yellow	I/O 3	I/O 3	Orange	1/0 5	I/O 1	5M	Cable-5M-TC
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# **Keys & Accessories**

## Step 14: Keys



## Step 15: Accessories





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