

HOLDFIRE[™]

Keeping residents safe





*“the system
is both easy
to operate
and discreet”*

independence, mobility, choice.



unique, affordable systems

Holdfire door retainers have been developed to provide the care industry with a safe, affordable and reliable solution to living with self-closing doors.

Because Holdfire systems have been designed specifically for use by older people and those with disabilities, we have ensured all aspects of the system are easy to operate and discreet so as to avoid an undesirable, institutional look.

“doing the right thing”

The fire regulations that require bedroom doors to be fitted with self-closing devices can cause a real problem in today's care home.

Self-closing doors can impair the mobility of residents and unless the doors are held open, staff constantly have to assist residents into or out of their rooms.

Older people can often feel insecure and isolated if their bedroom doors are shut and yet fire regulations require those very doors to be kept closed. Unsurprisingly residents and staff are

tempted to wedge doors open, which not only causes a potential trip hazard, but more importantly, poses a serious fire risk and contravenes regulations.

There are many products on the market, but none are really suited to the care industry. Sometimes systems are fitted that hold the door back against the walls and release in the event of fire. Others use complex battery powered systems fixed to the door that "listen" for an alarm. But both these approaches require residents to grapple with buttons or plungers to release the door and also create an undesirable institutional look.



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safe, homely solutions

Holdfire systems are the first to overcome the problem self closing doors with style. These innovative systems enable you to offer your residents the independence they deserve and provide total peace of mind for you. No need for assistance with opening doors, no ugly and hard to operate devices, just safe, discreet door holders which in a fire, automatically and reliably release the doors to close.



Case Study

“We were attracted to Holdfire because it looks so neat and does not use batteries. Now the system is installed it is just fantastic; residents can now come and go from their rooms without assistance. The system is completely hidden and I don’t have to worry about doors being wedged or batteries running out”

Karen Tracy, Manager



Bannow Care Home, Hastings

designed for safety, executed with style



Doors invisibly held open with Holdfire

Simple to use, the Holdfire systems have been developed specifically with older people in mind for ease of use without the pressing of switches or plungers.

Empowering, residents can operate the doors easily themselves promoting mobility and choice.

Saves time, staff need spend less time helping residents to enter or leave their bedrooms.

Elegant and discreet, doors can be held at angles that appear homely not institutional, the Holdfire systems are completely concealed in the door or in the closer and unlike other systems, do not create a trip hazard.

Greater accessibility, doors are not restricted from fully opening giving access for wheelchairs and furniture.

Completely safe, in the event of fire doors are released immediately to protect residents.

With no batteries to run out or replace, Holdfire systems are properly connected to the fire alarm system and use a safe low voltage supply.

Failsafe, if there is a fault, power cut or broken connection, the doors will release.

Durable, no moving parts and protected inside the door or closer, the devices are highly reliable and cannot be damaged by traffic such as wheelchairs, trolleys or hoists.

Approved, tested to European and British Standards (see back page) and is welcomed by Fire & Rescue Services.

Inexpensive, the Holdfire door holder is currently the least expensive door holding system on the market to retrofit. Even for a small installation of circa 10 doors, both the swing free and door holder systems usually work out cheaper to install and maintain than battery devices.

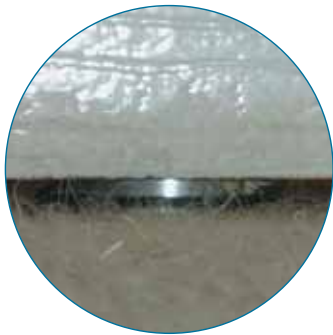


Holdfire door holder

Holdfire is a completely unique, invisible and highly reliable system for holding open fire doors. The Holdfire device is fitted to the underside of the door. A small plate, the size of a large coin is fixed to the floor, on top of the carpet and close to the door frame. The door easily "wipes" over the plate in either direction.

The door is held open by positioning the door over the plate enabling the Holdfire device to magnetically 'grab' the plate and hold the door. A gentle pull is all that is required to release the door. A miniature and safe low voltage, micro-wiring system has been specially developed to connect the door devices to the existing building fire alarm system. This enables the wiring to be quickly and economically concealed throughout the building.

Enlarged view of Holdfire device under door holding onto the plate.



Holdfire swing free

A revolutionary combined door closer and hold open device.

The Holdfire swing free system is the ultimate in door holding systems for the care industry.

In a unit smaller and more stylish than many simple overhead door closers, Holdfire swing free removes all the

closing forces from the door giving residents complete freedom to leave the door open in any position. When the fire alarms are activated the door is automatically and gently brought to a close.

The system is fully compatible with the Holdfire micro-wiring system making it suitable for both new build and retrofit.

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Installation is professional, fast, completely concealed and not disruptive.

why Holdfire

We offer safe, discreet solutions, ideal for prestigious care homes where offering choice to residents and avoiding an institutional look is important.

Holdfire systems are designed to be operated by older people and those with disabilities which means no awkward buttons to press or kick and no plungers to wear ugly tracks in expensive carpets.

A Holdfire installation is intended to be completely invisible and we pride ourselves on being able to conceal all aspects of the system, including the wiring.

The connection to the fire alarm system means failsafe, reliable, no nuisance operation without any batteries to worry about.

Safe, simple, reliable and affordable.

Case Study



St John's Residential Home

"We chose Holdfire because it preserves the look of the building and allows my residents to have their doors open without breaching fire regulations"

Susan Williams, Yeager Matron

pricing

For simplicity and your peace of mind, Holdfire prices are generally standard and are always offered as a fixed price with no hidden extras.

Our prices for installed systems are fully inclusive, comprising the devices, all wiring, connection to the fire alarm system, testing, certification and a full years' warranty on all supplied parts. The only additions are VAT and any travel costs.

Both our swing free and door holder systems usually work out cheaper to install and run than 'low cost' battery operated products.

To enquire further please contact us on:

0800 111 6104

or email: info@holdfire.com



Standards

As part of a fire door assembly tested to BS EN 1634-1 by Chiltern fire (door holder system).

Tested to and complies with BS EN 1155*
by Warrington Fire (APT).

Installations comply with BS 5839 Part 1 and Part 6 (Fire detection and alarm systems) and IEE wiring regulations BS 7671:2000

* with the variation that for the door holder
the manual release force is 10Nm

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