

Safe and secure with Trellidor barriers

For the second consecutive year the incidence of business burglaries has increased, according to the latest crime statistics published by the SAPS, this time by a whopping 47%. Commercial and industrial property developers and owners can no longer ignore the need to secure the occupants of buildings for which they are responsible.

Trellidor supplies barrier security that can be fitted to both doors and windows after the building is complete, still taking into account important safety factors.

“We have developed several designs that facilitate the safe movement of people through doorways, particularly the wheelchair bound and those that have difficulty walking,” says Trellidor brand and PR manager Charlene Botha. These can be viewed at Trellidor's website at http://www.trellidor.co.za/trellidor/products/t/t_special.asp.

“Obviously it is preferable to specify barrier security up front, but if it hasn't been taken into account, Trellidor's specialist fittings can be designed around each building's requirements. For example, Trellidor is able to cut its bottom tracks into the existing floor or provide a track that hinges up or swivels out of the way.

In this way the tracks don't protrude or present a safety hazard.

“We are also able to design our security barriers around architectural features such as curved walls or deep stairwells. This restricts easy access to the building's occupants and keeps them safe from unwanted intrusions.

“Trellidor also offers the option of an electric claw lock that can work off a keypad and/or push button to restrict access and improve the level of a building's security.”

Trellidor installs fixed and sliding security for both doors and windows and recommends that its sliding window security grilles be fitted to at least one window in each ground floor office. “This could act as an escape route during a hostage situation or in the event of fire,” says Botha. “We also recommend that companies establish a ‘safe room’ for staff to hide in if security is breached. They can then wait out the break-in while calling for help on a cell phone.” ●

For information on how to set up a safe room, visit http://www.trellidor.co.za/trellidor/articles/art_intro.asp.



For safety and practical reasons Trellidor security barriers can be hinged and stacked neatly out of the way until needed



Trellidors provide security and convenience by allowing minimal disruption each time you close them