

Mid-hinged Columns – Frequently Asked Questions

Do the columns conform to BS5649/EN40?

Yes, these columns are designed in accordance with BS5649/EN40.

Is the pivot anti-vandal?

The pivot arrangement can only be undone with the appropriate tooling, and is considered far enough above ground level to be a deterrent against vandalism.

Are the swage and pivot sections a foothold?

The swage is angled and also conical, and the pivot section is mainly tubular in shape, and so both areas will be difficult to use as a foothold.

How close to the wall can the column be installed?

This is dependent upon which direction the lowering section of the column shaft will lower to the ground.

Can the lanterns be worked on whilst the column is semi-lowered?

Yes, as long as the rope is adequately tied off

Are different root protections available?

Yes, our standard is G1 protection, but we can offer other various types of protection, depending on customer requirements.

Is the upper shaft earthed?

Yes, this is achieved by the earthing of the lantern

Is the door earthed?

Yes, this is achieved by an earth lead fitted between the door and the base compartment

Is the door bolt flush?

Yes, this is to help reduce vandalism and to stop clothes and members of the public catching and injuring themselves.

Is a rope and key supplied with every column?

No, a rope and key will normally be supplied with every 5 columns.

Is the column pre-wired?

Yes, each column will be supplied with a length of conduit or piping, and a length of 2.5mm x 3 core flex cable. This will be long enough to run from the lantern to the cut out when mounted on the backboard.