

Notice of Change

ANSI/BHMA A156.10 (2017)

Standard for Power Operated Pedestrian Doors

The purpose of this notice is to inform owners/operators of power operated pedestrian doors of a change to the applicable performance requirements contained in the American National Standard for automatic pedestrian doors.

On November 11th, 2017, the revised ANSI/BHMA A156.10 Standard for Power Operated Pedestrian Doors went into effect. The revision includes requirements for monitoring of presence sensors and safety control mats specified in the standard that are critical to the safe operation of the door system.

Presence sensor/safety control mat monitoring helps to ensure basic functionality of presence sensors and safety control mats and their interface to the door control system. If a fault is detected, automatic operation will cease until the fault is corrected, thereby minimizing the chance of user entrapment and/or injury.

All installations on or after the effective date of November 11th, 2017, should have the necessary monitored presence sensor/control mat systems implemented.

How does the revision affect doors installed prior to the effective date?

Language within the revised standard refers to appendix E-6, which states it is not mandatory to include presence sensor/safety control mat monitoring on door systems installed before the revision of this standard. Compliance with the requirements, however, on existing installations may be determined by applicable local building codes.

If you have questions or would like to know more about the revision, speak with an AAADM Certified Inspector. A list of companies with AAADM certified inspectors on staff can be found on the AAADM website www.aaadm.com.