

NAFLIC

National Association For Leisure Industry Certification

Standards & Related Documents Sub-Committee

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144. Emmett Miami Trip Restraint Bars

NAFLIC members Leisure Technical Consultants Limited told us that they have had to report a possible design defect to the Health and Safety Executive under the paragraph 96 procedure of *Fairgrounds and Amusement Parks - A Code of Safe Practice*. To quote the wording :- "If an appointed person discovers, upon thorough examination, a fault in design, manufacture or maintenance which could have implications for other similar devices, a copy of his / her report should be sent within 28 days to HSE's North West area office".

In the course of Thorough Examination of a Miami Trip it was found that the restraint bar release may be operated from the control box whilst the ride is in motion. It is also thought that short circuit could release the bar.

We believe that Emmett Miami Trips of recent manufacture have a manually operated secondary locking device. However, it is possible that there are still some rides of the earlier design in circulation.

Controllers of such rides should consider whether they need to take remedial action.

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