

Corporate Profile

SDC specializes in the design and manufacture of premium grade access hardware products. As an established leader in the industry, SDC is the largest independently owned manufacturer of access hardware in the U.S.A.

The SDC Product Line includes:

Electric Lever Locksets
Delayed Egress Locks
Access Controls

Power Supplies
Electric Strikes
Electric Deadbolts

Electromagnetic Locks
Exit Bars
Key/Push Switches

SDC is part of a select group of ISO 9001 manufacturers that practice an internationally recognized quality management program based on continued improvement of daily operations, product quality and customer satisfaction. Moreover, in a recent survey SDC was rated #1 in quality.



Trademarks

Respected SDC Trademarks

Entry Check™
Exit Check®

Sure Exit®
EMLock®

HiShear EMLock®
HiTower®

SELECTRIC™
SpaceSaver®

Achievements

In 1972, SDC was established with the introduction of a new electric bolt lock design. The Spacesaver was the first electric bolt lock capable of fitting into a standard narrow frame. Since then, SDC has continued to introduce innovative new products and improvements every year. Today, an ISO 9001 Certified Quality Management Program, Lean Manufacturing System and a new shipQUICK Program back SDC's product quality, performance and commitment to customer satisfaction.



SDC has experienced unprecedented growth and was recently honored by the California State Assembly for outstanding impact on local and state economy. The management and employees of SDC are proud to share with our valued customers and friends a few of the company's accomplishments and honors leading up to our most successful year.

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In benchmark surveys comparing SDC with competing manufacturers, SDC was rated #1 in Quality, Customer Service and Technical Expertise and New Product Innovation. These benchmark survey results and others are utilized to implement proactive actions that result in continued quality process improvement in several areas of manufacturing and customer service.



SDC is part of a select group of ISO 9001 Certified manufacturers that practice an internationally recognized quality management program based on continued improvement of daily operations, product quality and customer satisfaction. The SDC quality management system is audited biannually and certified by British Standards Institution (BSI).



Technology

Since 1972, SDC has been a principle contributor of new product design trends for the access hardware industry and the SDC product line is backed by dozens of patents. In addition, SDC has been called upon by several leading industry manufacturers to develop products for private labeling.



SDC has received eight Security Industry Association (SIA) "Security Industry Finest" awards for new product development since 1997. SDC has also been recognized yearly by SIA for "Commitment to Innovation and Excellence in Product Development".



Contributions

SDC founder and President, Arthur V. Geringer A.H.C., is the recipient of The Door and Hardware Institute's (DHI) highest honor, the Founders Memorial Award. This award was presented for his contributions to the United States door hardware industry. Art was also recently presented with the California Locksmith Association's, Gold Key Award, "In recognition and honor of his contributions to the locksmiths industry.



As a member of the Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) Subcommittee for the Development of Product Standards, the SDC staff contributes expertise and experience for the development of ANSI and BHMA national standards for electromechanical and electromagnetic locks.

SDC Innovation

EMLock™, Electromagnetic Lock (Patented)

- The only metal fusion "U" channel magnetic core design, fully stabilized both mechanically and electromagnetically. Immune to core distortion and reduction of electromagnetic holding force even when repeatedly stressed to the breaking point.
- The epoxy-less design with first truly complete architectural finish also eliminates potential for fractured epoxy resulting in lost holding force and toxic fumes in a fire.
- The electromagnetic lock is completely serviceable. All parts, including the magnetic coil and electronics are replaceable without removing the lock from the frame.
- The interlocking mounting plate enables positive attachment of the lock to the mounting plate prior to fastening and provides increased mounting integrity by distributing stress evenly, alleviating pressure to the mounting screws.

Exit Check™ Electromagnetic Delayed Egress Lock (Patented / *SIA "Security Industry Finest" Award)

- The Exit Check incorporates all of the EMLock design features above.
- The first fully integrated (self-contained) electromagnetic delayed egress lock.
- The first electromagnetic delayed egress lock activated by door movement.
- The first field programmable code operation, feature selection.
- The only delayed egress lock with digital countdown display and verbal voice instruction.

HiShear EMLock®

Electromagnetic Shear Lock (Patented)

- The first shear lock capable of both vertical and horizontal alignment adjustment.
- The only shear lock equipped with a door alignment and static sensor preventing activation until the door is at rest and aligned with the lock.

HiTower™ Electric Mortise Lock (Patented)

- The first frame actuator controlled lockset.
- The only dual-failsafe mortise lockset.

Spacesaver™ Electric Bolt Lock (Patented)

- The first narrow frame mounted electric bolt lock.
- The first narrow deadlocking failsafe bolt lock.
- The only dual-failsafe electric bolt lock.

Sure Exit™, Request-to-Exit Push Bar™ (Patented / *SIA "Security Industry Finest" Award)

- The only egress device utilizing Pressure Sense Technology. The Sure Exit is immune to extreme environmental changes and conditions and calibration is not required for installation.
- The only tri-failsafe egress device. A third redundant sensor is automatically activated should the first two sensors fail, providing uninhibited egress without prior knowledge of emergency release. In addition normal operation continues, eliminating need for immediate emergency service response time.

Power Supplies

(*SIA "Security Industry Finest" Award)

- The first narrow frame mounted electric bolt lock.
- The first narrow deadlocking failsafe bolt lock.
- The only dual-failsafe electric bolt lock.

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