

A-SAFE... PROVIDING THE PERFECT PACKAGE

Smurfit Kappa is a world leading producer of paper-based packaging with around 41,000 employees all over the globe.



Always Supplying Advanced Flexible Excellence

The Smurfit Kappa Group produce huge amounts of boxes, containers and other types of packaging in busy factory environments...

The Problem

A-SAFE's ninth installation with packaging giants Smurfit Kappa was a classic accident prevention project.

Risk management is an essential part of best Health & Safety practice within the industrial workplace - and the segregation of personnel from moving vehicles and machinery is a key part of this best practice procedure.

With safety as a priority, Smurfit Kappa wanted to address workplace areas where vehicles and pedestrians could come into contact - and alleviate the potential costs, both financial and emotional, that will occur after a workplace accident.

The Solution

A member of the **A-SAFE** team travelled from to survey the site as part of the full consultation process that **A-SAFE** deliver with every enquiry.

It was important for **A-SAFE** to know exactly what risks were present and whether a safety solution could be delivered - thankfully, **A-SAFE** barriers were the ideal solution.

Thirty meters of physical separation were necessary for the application and after assessing other risks such as different vehicle types in close proximity, the *Pedestrian Barrier* product from **A-SAFE** was deemed to be the most suitable.

After measuring up, the **A-SAFE** consultant went back to the headquarters to liaise with the design team. CAD drawings and a quotation for the barrier and installation work was produced and sent to Smurfit Kappa for consideration.

After further talks, the work was agreed and the installation was completed in a matter of weeks.

The Result

The hazardous areas at Smurfit Kappa now have **A-SAFE Pedestrian Barriers** that properly segregate pedestrians from vehicles. The physical barriers prevent people from straying into dangerous areas where vehicles are in operation and therefore dramatically reduce the risk of a workplace accident.

As well as this, the barriers installed will need little maintenance over the coming years, as **A-SAFE** barriers do not rust or corrode, do not need to be painted, and can easily be wiped down with water and a damp cloth if required.

The flexible barrier will also not get damaged if a passing vehicle hits it. Unlike steel, which would crumple under impact, the **A-SAFE** barrier is made from a material manufactured exclusively by **A-SAFE**, called **Memaplex™** which has a built in three-layered memory - meaning it returns to its original shape after impact.

Smurfit Kappa achieved the safety peace of mind they were hoping for and reinforced their facility for years to come.



Pedestrian Barrier

Contact us today to find out how we can help you.

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