

Padlocks

The following information reflects government assessment and advice on padlocks. In grading security equipment four standards (classes) are used.

- Class 1: Judged to be of good quality and therefore suitable for use as an additional security device.
- Class 2: Assessed as offering resistance to some forms of surreptitious attack.
- Class 3: Designed to offer resistance to most known forms of surreptitious attack.
- Class 4: Designed to offer maximum resistance to all known forms of surreptitious attack.

By virtue of their design and mode of use, padlocks only meet the lower two standards.

