

# NAFLIC

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## **Standards & Related Documents Sub-Committee**

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#### **051. Sobema Matterhorn**

HSE inform us that an incident occurred in mid-1992 in which a rear light cover became detached from a Sobema Matterhorn car, whilst in motion, and struck a passer-by.

The ride was 6 months old and had been purchased new in Belgium. On the rear of each car there are 2 sets of 24 volt lights, mounted in recesses, each covered by a red translucent plastic cover approximately 12 x 18 inches. Each cover is retained by 4 spring clips.

The reason why that particular cover became detached remains unclear, but the spring clips have now been replaced by captive nut panel fasteners and coach bolts.

It is known that there are a number of Sobema Matterhorns in the UK. We are also aware that this lack of security applies to some other rides and other components, e.g. items of trim. It is suggested that Appointed Persons should check the security of such components in the course of Thorough Examination and make recommendations accordingly.