

# Quicker than a cuppa

ERA has launched its fast-fit Fab&Fix Classic PVC-U door hinge, designed for all major PVC-U door profiles.

Sarah Knight, technical product manager at ERA says: “The 3D hinge offers PAS 24:2022 compliance, is fully adjustable and has been designed with ease of installation in mind, with an under 60-second fabrication time. The hinge is supplied fully assembled, for speed of fit with a fast fix jig available to support the fabrication process.

“In addition, it offers an excellent range of on-site adjustment for installation teams, with each hinge supplied with the adjustment detail on the flag of the hinge, providing flexibility and easy access during the installation process.”

The hinge has been tested on-site at ERA’s UKAS test house to over 300,000 cycles for durability and in accordance with BS EN 1670: 2007 NSST 480 hours.

Available in a choice of traditional and contemporary finishes it is part of the matching range of suited door and window hardware from Fab&Fix. It can be colour matched to a range of RAL numbers, which means that manufacturers can provide their customers with a wide range of options to suit their individual preferences.

The Classic Fab&Fix PVC-U hinge comes with a 10 year mechanical guarantee and can be used as part of the PAS 24 package of hardware within the ERA total security guarantee and is Secured By Design (SBD) accredited.

Knight says: “We are thrilled to introduce the Fab&Fix Classic PVC-U hinge to our range of hardware for PVC-U doors and windows. We understand that every second counts, that’s why our new Classic hinge offers even faster fabrication. Fully assembled, fast to fit with sustainable



line side bulk packaging, it’s a PAS 24 hinge you can fit and forget.” □

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## Supa scores silver

The Mila SupaSecure TS007 two star escutcheon has now achieved the same silver grading in the Master Locksmith’s Sold Secure attack test as the Mila SupaSecure door handle.

Mila’s technical director Strafford Cooke says: “This means fabricators can now offer the same level of reassurance to customers on door security whether they are pairing their one or three star cylinder with a handle or an escutcheon.

“The Sold Secure attack test is more intense and more sustained than the PAS24 security test. It uses a more ‘heavy duty’ set of tools, which includes an electric drill, longer crow bars and even a scaffolding pole for greater leverage; and the tester has a full five minutes per tool rather than three to try to attack the escutcheon with full force to access the cylinder.

“It is so arduous that the received wisdom used to be that the maximum rating achievable by door hardware was bronze. Mila’s SupaSecure products have obviously changed all that and we’re very proud to have raised the bar in this sector.” □



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### Origin, has unveiled the first launch in its new generation of products – the Soho external door

According to an Origin spokesman its new Soho external door represents the ‘pinnacle of luxury fenestration’. The aluminium external bi-fold and French door system combines design with performance and quality. Designed by Origin’s in-house R&D team and manufactured in the UK to customers’ exact specifications, it features glazing bars and ultra-slim sightlines of 36mm. According to Origin, it is also 2025 compliant, a year earlier than required by the new building regulations .

MD Daniel Baker says: “The Soho style is tailored to homeowners’ interior style demands for 2024, and this is backed by Origin search data. Its glazing bars mimic the look of steel doors and offer good thermal performance.

Tailored to complement clients’ aesthetics, the bi-fold and French door can be specified with more bars to provide a heritage design or fewer to create an industrial or minimalist look.”

The Soho external door complements Origin’s internal door to provide a seamless look.

Baker says that, made from high-grade aluminium, the exterior door supports the weight of large expanses of glass, so homeowners can bridge the gap between the interior and exterior of their homes.

The door is engineered to meet the demands of the UK

market and the company claims it already meets the 2025 Future Homes Standard by achieving U-Values as low as 1.0 W/m<sup>2</sup>K. The use of weathertight seals ensures the elements stay out, keeping rooms cool when it’s hot and warm when it’s cold outside.

Baker says: “Origin’s ethos is founded on continual improvement and the desire to consistently offer the UK’s best quality products, and for it to be backed by unrivalled levels of service. Our latest launch epitomises this philosophy. The Soho aesthetic and performance is the right product at the right time for our partners, as it allows them to meet modern consumer style demands and buyer priorities. The design is the result of our in-house R&D team’s meticulous attention to detail to deliver a product that is not only visually stunning, but uncompromising on energy efficiency, security, and overall performance.

“We pride ourselves on always delivering more for our partners. Now, they can offer a 2025 compliant system a year earlier than required to have even more to offer their customers and even greater control over their success.

“With more product launches on the way, 2024 is going to be an exciting year for Origin and our partners.” □

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