

# Frangible Safety Posts LTD.(FSP) Posts come to the rescue.



#### FRANGIBLE SAFETY POSTS

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On the 4th December 2012 in icy conditions there was an accident on the A970 on the Shetland Islands. A vehicle struck one post of a two post Frangible Safety Post installation and the driver walked away unscathed. It is likely that should the vehicle have struck a traditional steel post installation the driver would have suffered significant injuries.

The Frangible Safety Post that was struck performed and reacted exactly as intended through our patented design.

### Craig Pyser, Commercial Director of FSP, commented:

"We are delighted that the driver of the vehicle was unharmed and that our passive safety system worked perfectly. This type of incident is justification that local and highways authorities such as Shetland Island Council adopt passively safe street furniture to greatly improve roadside safety from a human and economic perspective. As a company policy we provide a free replacement post for any of our installations knocked down and through our exclusive distributor, ASD metal services, we aim to have that replacement sent out within 48 hours."

FSP had their posts installed throughout the Shetland Islands in 2010 and 2011 and commenting on this accident **Neil Hutcheson, Roads Engineer at Shetland Island Council said:** 

"We recently renewed a large number of advanced direction signs and took the opportunity to replace the existing steel posts with the passive safety equivalent supplied by FSP. This incident has shown that to be the correct decision. I have no doubt that the vehicles occupant would have been seriously injured if we had retained the steel posts. We consider that these passive safety posts can play a significant part in reducing casualty rates and making Shetland's roads safer."

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# About FSP

Frangible Safety Posts Ltd (www.fsp-ltd.com) was established in October 2009 by Niall Mackay, Craig Pyser and Gerry Boyce. The company purchased the Frangible Post System from 3M and are currently selling 140mm, 168mm and 219mm passively safe composites posts into the market. ASD metal services is the exclusive distributor in the UK and Ireland.

## About ASD metal services

ASD metal services is part of the internationally recognized Klöckner & Co and is the largest independent metals stockholder in the UK. The organization comprises three core divisions and a number of specialist units. The nation-wide spread of ASD's 38 branches, diverse product ranges within each division and the broad array of processing facilities available at ASD provide an unrivalled ability to meet the individual requirements of the client. This customer centric approach allows ASD metal services to maintain a key position at the forefront of new product development, expand and improve the existing product range, and provide a fast and efficient delivery service.