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McArthurGlen receives top health & safety award for its 19 centres

McArthurGlen, Europe's leading developer, owner and manager of designer outlet villages, has been awarded Gold in the prestigious Occupational Health & Safety Awards 2010 organised by RoSPA (the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents).

RoSPA grants the Awards to organisations developing robust health and safety management systems, which aim to reduce the number of accidents and cases of ill health at work.

The Gold Award is testament to McArthurGlen's ongoing commitment to protect the health and well-being of the 75 million consumers who visit its centres each year, as well as the 15,000 employees of its brand partners working at the centres and its more than 300 McArthurGlen employees.

McArthurGlen's designer outlet villages offer 500,000 sq m of retail space across Europe, in the UK, as well as in Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy and the Netherlands.

David Norris, Operations Director of McArthurGlen, says: "Our business prides itself on offering our customers, brand partners and our employees a superior environment and service. This new acclaim for our health and safety standards illustrates the consistent achievements of the centre teams, who are constantly striving to maintain safe environments across our portfolio."

McArthurGlen officially received its award at an Awards Ceremony in Birmingham on 13 May. The ceremony took place alongside Safety & Health Expo 2010, Europe's leading health and safety exhibition.

David Rawlins, RoSPA's Awards Manager, said: "McArthurGlen has shown a commitment to protecting the health and well-being of its employees and others. Any organisation that does this deserves to have its dedication recognised and that's where the RoSPA Awards come in."

He continued: “As well as there being clear ethical reasons and legal requirements for good health and safety management, there is also a strong business case. RoSPA is delighted to publicly honour organisations that have demonstrated their work to improve performance in this sphere.”

The majority of RoSPA's awards are non-competitive and mark achievement that is graded at merit, bronze, silver and gold levels. There are also some competitive categories.

RoSPA is a UK-registered charity that promotes safety and the prevention of accidents at work, at leisure, on the road and in the home. It has been at the heart of accident prevention around the world for more than 90 years. Her Majesty the Queen is Patron of the charity. The Awards have been running for more than 50 years.

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