

**YOU MUST ACT NOW
IT'S YOUR DUTY OF CARE**



**LEADERS IN PROPERTY
COMPLIANCE AND MAINTENANCE**

IT'S YOUR ONGOING RESPONSIBILITY

Window Safety Devices are now considered common property. Owners Corporations have a duty of care and a responsibility for the upkeep, repair and replacement of safety devices, ensuring they remain in working order.

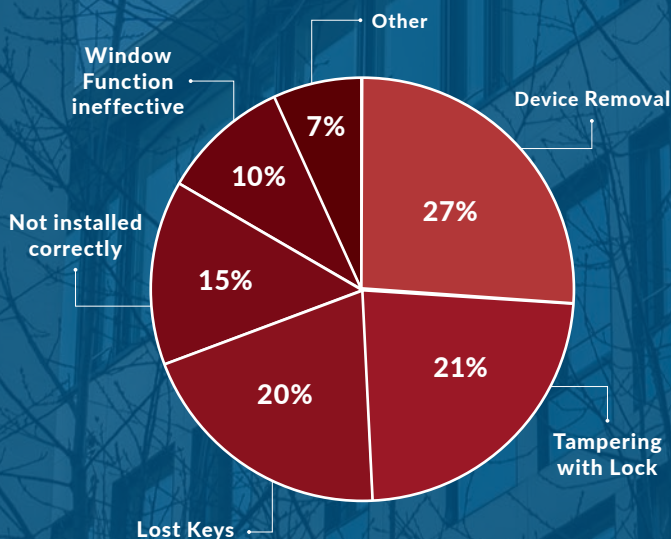
Protect children and your assets. Engage ASQB to manage your ongoing compliance.

KEY NUMBERS

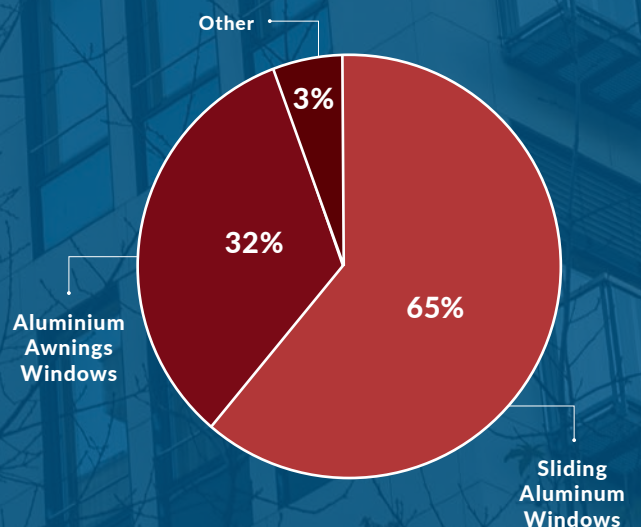
After 12 months of Legislation being Introduced upon ASQB's Recommendation of Annual Compliance Checks, the following results have been noted:

- For every 2.5 Lots Visited a window fails to comply with Legislation
- 10.38% of Window Locks have failed just 12 Months after being certified to comply
- 68% of failed devices occurred due to residents tampering or removing the device
- Lost or missing keys also contributed to a significant portion of the failed assessments

REASONS FOR FAILURE



TYPE OF FAILED WINDOWS



THE CONSEQUENCE OF CHEAP LOCK SOLUTIONS

Despite owners having multiple device options to select from, each ranging in price and functionality, many opt for the cheapest solution with no consideration regarding the ongoing upkeep.

Now on the 12 month anniversary of the Window Safety Legislation the true cost of cheap lock solutions are becoming evident.

CASE IN POINT

The well-known and popular Venlock is a locking device that clips onto the window frame, it's a great quality product that exceeds all legal requirements. However when disengaged the venlock is totally removable from the window and relies on the user/s to safely store the device for future use.

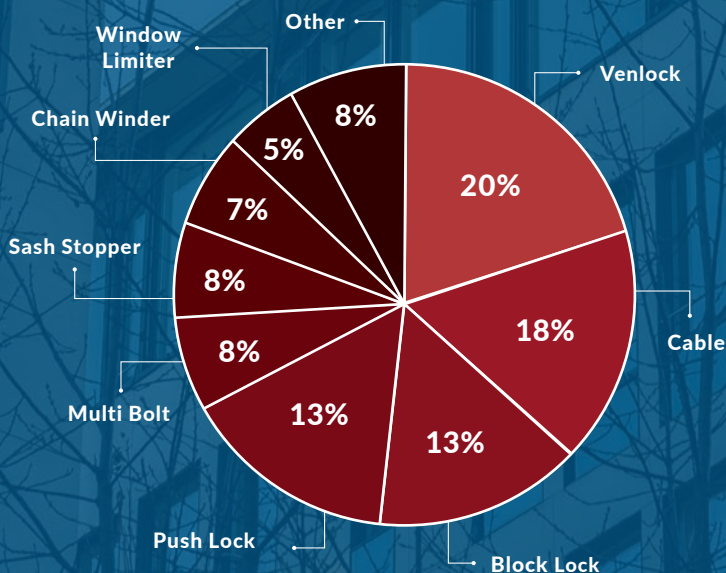
After an extensive 12 month analysis, figures indicate the **Venlock has a 29% fail rate**. The majority of fails due to user behaviour (device removal and misplaced).

In comparison (and an alternate device to the Venlock) is the Push Lock device. On average the cost of this device is \$7.00 more expensive, however our analysis shows a **low 3% fail rate**. Resulting in significantly lower upkeep costs.

HOW COMMON ARE INJURIES?

- On average, each year 10 children are admitted to The Children's Hospital at Westmead (CHW) after falling from a window. Almost all of these children fall from a window in their own home
- Of the children who have presented to CHW:
 - 80% had significant or severe injuries
 - 80% had fallen more than two metres
 - 3 out of 5 cases admitted to hospital were boys
 - 80% were under 5 years of age
 - 50% of these falls involved furniture near the window

PERCENTAGE OF LOCKS INSTALLED



MOST COMMONLY FAILED DEVICE

