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**BHMA Issues Standard on Bored and Preassembled Locks and Latches**

The Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) announces the publication of ANSI/BHMA A156.2-2011 American National Standard for Bored and Preassembled Locks and Latches used on commercial and residential doors.

This standard is a revision of ANSI/BHMA A156.2-2003 and it establishes performance requirements for bored and preassembled locks and latches, and includes tests on cycles, strength, operation, security, material evaluation, finishes and dimensional criteria.

The new edition raised performance levels for a number of tests including cycle and abusive locked lever torque. All testing is described in the standard with pictures, guidelines, and required test parameters.

To specify or purchase locks and latches that meet the rigorous performance requirements of this standard, refer to the BHMA Certified Products Directory at [buildershardware.com](http://buildershardware.com)

For more information, or to purchase additional copies of this or any other standard, please visit BHMA's bookstore at [www.buildershardware.com](http://www.buildershardware.com). You can also order standards by calling 800-699-9277. Purchased standards are available as printed documents or electronic files (PDF) for immediate download.

**About BHMA**

The Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) is an industry leader in building safety and security. BHMA is the only organization accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) to develop and maintain performance standards for locks, closers, exit devices and other builders hardware. The widely known ANSI/BHMA

A156 series of standards describes and establishes the features and criteria for specific types of hardware products. In addition, BHMA sponsors third-party certification of hardware products, which is a requirement for a product to bear the “BHMA Certified” mark — insuring that the product meets the ANSI/BHMA standard. For more information on BHMA, please write to BHMA, 355 Lexington Avenue, Suite 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY, 10017 or visit the Web site at [www.buildershardware.com](http://www.buildershardware.com).

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