



THE SCAFFOLDING SECTOR KEEPS MOVING FORWARD... **KEEP UP! WITH CISRS CPD** 

From 1st July 2017 there will be a mandatory requirement to attend a two day CISRS CPD training course prior to Scaffolder or Advanced Scaffolder card renewal

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## **Price cut for Good Practice**

**Guidance** 

The scaffolding sector's leading guidance for tube and fitting scaffolding -NASC's TG20:13 - is now available at half price. The reduction came into force in March and since then more than 65 full suites and 1,550 User Guides have been distributed. The TG20:13 'Full Suite' of guidance is supported by CISRS, Build UK, HSE and CITB, and comprises four distinctive publications, including two comprehensive A4 books and innovative new software the TG20:13 e-Guide, together with a pocket-sized User Guide.



Managing director Robin James said: "Following a consultation exercise last year, an NASC working group was formed to review feedback and agree modifications and amendments to TG20:13. Suggested amendments included varying the number of boarded lifts, production of basic drawings and calculations, and increased leg load information. It was also suggested that modifications might be made to the TG20 compliance sheet, for example incorporation of postcode, unique scaffold number and seasonal information. These will be incorporated into a free software upgrade to existing users of TG20:13, with more substantive changes incorporated in due course."

For further details visit www.nasc.org.uk or email: enquiries@nasc.org.uk.

## **NASC & CISRS support AIF**

NASC and CISRS took an active role in the recent Roof Work and Work at Height training event, organised by the Access Industry Forum as part of the Working Well Together campaign. The half day event was aimed at offering small construction companies and self-employed builders, support, advice and up to date industry guidance and was hosted by LTC Training Services in Plymouth.

The event included talks and demonstrations covering work at height, roof ladders, powered access, scaffold inspection, prevention of internal and external falls, and tower scaffolds. Attendees also had the opportunity to ask questions of the industry experts, including a number of HSE inspectors.





## **CISRS CPD pilot course**

CISRS ran two fully-funded CPD refresher pilot courses during February and March, delivered by lead Instructor Tony Barry. Attendees ranged from one scaffolder who had gained his card via 'grandfather rights' and others who qualified over 20 years ago, while others completed their training in the past five years. The pilot courses were designed to road test and fine-tune the course content. Barry said: "I was a little uncertain as to how the course would go having both older more experienced Advanced Scaffolders mixed with younger scaffold card holders - but it worked well and created more discussion. Other than the inspection module which required us to split the group into Basic and Advanced inspection all other information passed on was relevant to both grades of cardholder."

Eligible delegates who took part in the pilot courses will receive their updated CISRS card with CPD, Inspection and Aluminium Tower module endorsements free of charge. CISRS is considering more funded pilot courses, prior to the scheme going live in July, after which all CISRS Scaffolder and Advanced cards can only be renewed by completing the CISRS two day Scaffolder Refresher Course.

A full list of approved CISRS training providers, further details on CISRS CPD, CISRS card courses, OSTS news, training changes following the introduction of SG4:15 and TG20:13, and more visit www.cisrs.org.uk or email enquiries@cisrs.org.uk.



## New Oman CISRS training centre opens

A newly accredited CISRS Overseas Scaffolder Training Scheme facility has opened in Oman. The new centre situated in Nizwa represents a strategic base for scaffolding training - providing support to the major oil related industries in Oman. The project is being driven by UK CISRS provider Safety and Access and the established Oman-based service provider, Special Technical Services through its training arm Technical Training Institute. The new centre will run a wide range of CISRS scaffold related training - including scaffolder operative training, scaffold inspection and scaffolding supervisor courses.

Rick Statham of Safety & Access said: "The new centre represents a very important strategic location for us. We have been offering accredited training in the Gulf for over four years and can see the requirement for quality training growing. It is yet another major step forward for the clients in the region to affirm their strict requirements for high standards of safety and technical delivery with the requirement for independently accredited

training in the high-risk area of scaffolding and work at height. STS' excellent centre here in Oman will greatly complement the expanding need for such support for clients and contractors across the region."

