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The **CISRS Continuing Professional Development (CPD)** course is a mandatory requirement prior to the renewal of all CISRS Scaffolder / Advanced cards. Operatives whose cards expire in the next six months should look to **book a course now** to ensure they do not lapse.

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Product Purchasing Guidance notes now available

The NASC has published a suite of scaffolding product purchasing guidelines - simple, go-to documents for contractors to use to ensure that the equipment they source is up to standard.

The six new Product Guidance (PG) documents - numbered PG1:18 to PG6:18 - cover a range of product categories, EN 39:2001 tube [4mm], EN 10219-1:2006 high tensile tube [3.2mm], BS 2482:2009 timber boards, EN74-1 couplers, aluminium beams and BS EN 12810/11 system scaffolds.

Each Product Guidance note details purchasing best practice and outlines the standards to which customers should check that products are manufactured and tested to. This includes what to look for, what relevant information they should request and what a test certificate looks like. The notes are intended to be used in tandem with the NASC's Code of Practice (CoP) compliant product list, which corresponds with the six PG product categories. All products on the list have been subjected to UKAS accredited independent laboratory testing over and above the testing and third party approval standards of the manufacturer and supplier.

NASC managing director Robin James said: "Through the publication of the new PG notes, contractors can ensure the products they hire or buy are safe and compliant to BS/EN standards. This can either be achieved by selecting equipment on the NASC's code of practice compliant product list, which includes products that have successfully passed rigorous independent testing or by carrying out your own checks on products not on the list using the guidance and tips included in the PG documents."

The NASC CoP compliant product list will be expanded as required. PST units are due to be added in January, a corresponding PG note will follow shortly after. Hard copies and free downloads are available via the NASC online shop.



NASC 2019 Yearbook

The NASC is proud to launch its 2019 Yearbook - showcasing the latest confederation news and updates. The Yearbook features a round up of the achievements and plans of the various NASC committees, more than a dozen pages of project overviews submitted by NASC members, as well as a comprehensive listing of full contracting NASC members.

Robin James of NASC said: "This year's publication is packed with helpful information, reviews and updates on the work of the confederation, and includes reports from standing committees, including the new Current Affairs committee, which has already made a strong impression. Whilst looking back at 2018, the Yearbook also looks ahead to 2019. We have plans to host more presentations and events next year, with a view to increasing the number of clients including NASC membership as a pre-requisite for their projects. Membership continues to grow, and we expect the 250 barrier to be breached in terms of number of scaffolding contractors in NASC full membership early in the new year."



The NASC 2019 Yearbook is available via the NASC website 'About' page.

CISRS System Scaffold inspection courses

The Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) has broadened its training with the addition of a range of system scaffold product inspection courses. In response to a growing use of system scaffolding, CISRS has worked closely with leading scaffolding manufacturers to create a standardised approach to training. This has resulted in the launch of three one day courses, covering Haki, Layher and Peri Up systems.

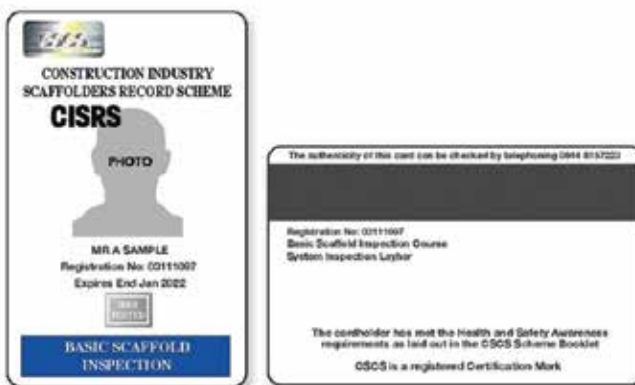
The System Scaffold Product Inspection courses include a theory test based on general inspection and specific system product knowledge, as well as a practical exam based on a drawing of the structure and faults provided by the manufacturer / supplier.

Sean Pike, managing director of Layher UK and chairman of the NASC's Hire, Sales and Manufacturing committee, said: "Layher welcomes the introduction of Systems Inspection training modules into the CISRS scheme, something we have been pushing for this for some time. While there has previously been 'in-house' manufacturer inspection training taking place, we are really pleased there is now a formalised route via the CISRS scheme for people to get their training recognised and endorsed onto their CISRS cards."

The courses are open to anyone holding a CISRS Basic Scaffolding Inspection (BSI) or Advanced Scaffolding Inspection (ASI) card, or CISRS Scaffolders or Advanced Scaffolders that have had their card renewed with CPD and showing the Inspection endorsement.

Inspectors who have successfully completed a CISRS System Scaffold Product Inspection course are deemed competent to inspect a system product of a similar type, provided they are fully aware of the differences in the product specifications and have access to the current manufacturers user guide.

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