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Pre-operational checks campaign - reminder

The effective maintenance of a lorry loader is an essential part of the equipment's safe operation and pre-operational checks are a crucial element of this regime. Pre-operational checks are also a legal requirement, and the Driver & Vehicle



Standards Agency (DVSA) has the authority to issue on the spot fines for non-compliance. For these reasons, it's imperative that the checks are carried out and that operators undergo the necessary training in order to fulfil this part of their job role.

As a key part of its ongoing campaign to raise awareness and further improve industry practice in relation to this important topic, ALLMI has the following tools available:

- A web based video: 'Pre-Operational Checks'. Broken down into three sections, this covers the most common lorry loader applications, i.e. hook, builders' merchants and utilities.
- A readymade toolbox talk template for use by supervisors and managers.
- Pre-Operational Check Pads and associated windscreen holders.

To view, download or order the above, please contact ALLMI or visit www.allmi.com

Brick grab safety procedures

ALLMI has highlighted important safety related procedures concerning brick grabs.

Technical manager, Keith Silvester said: "One of our members, Kinshofer UK, is reiterating these issues in relation to its own product and asked us to help disseminate the message. However, the requirements are not necessarily brand specific and so, as always, we would encourage any users of brick grabs to check the manufacturer's instructions and adopt the necessary safe practices."

To avoid any malfunctions in the hydraulic circuit and ensure maximum clamping force is applied:

- If the brick grab has not been used for a significant period of time, including overnight, a functional test of the hydraulic system, consisting of two full movement cycles, should be carried out before lifting any load. Note that this becomes increasingly important during cold weather conditions.
- When in use, to ensure maximum clamping force is applied to every load, cylinders should be fully pressurised and held for at least two seconds - four seconds if the load is wet - after the brick grab is fully closed and before lifting.
- For storage, brick grabs should either be completely open, completely closed with cylinders pressurised this must be adopted if stored in a free hanging position - or clamped to a load with cylinders pressurised.

For a full copy of the communication on this subject, please contact ALLMI.



10 Years of social media

ALLMI is celebrating 10 years on social media, having launched its profiles on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn in 2012.

ALLMI business manager, Amy Adams, who handles the association's social media accounts said: "As for many organisations, the use of social media is an important part of our communications strategy, enabling us to raise further awareness of important issues affecting the lorry loader industry. We have seen our engagement numbers grow exponentially over the years and we would encourage those in the industry to follow us on these platforms, as it's a great and easy way to keep abreast of our activities."

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New ALLMI Card & CSCS Smart Check app - coming soon

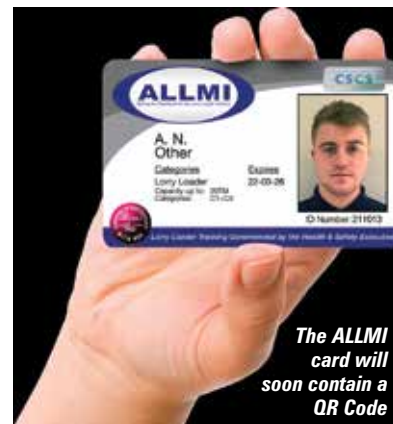
By the end of March this year, ALLMI will launch a new ID card featuring a QR code.

Chief executive Tom Wakefield says: "The introduction of a QR code on our card is tied in with the forthcoming launch of the CSCS Smart Check app. The QR code will facilitate the ALLMI card being scanned by the app, which will immediately allow site personnel to establish the validity of the qualification."

Developed in conjunction with the 38 card schemes displaying the CSCS logo, the CSCS Smart Check app is set to radically improve the construction industry's ability to verify qualifications quickly and efficiently, thereby tackling card fraud and improving site safety.

"We will be providing further details in due course, including options available for current cardholders to obtain a QR code or replacement card," added Wakefield.

For further information on the Smart Check app, please visit cscs.uk.com/smartcheck



The ALLMI card will soon contain a QR Code

Pre-Course tuition videos

ALLMI is currently working on a variety of PowerPoint based, pre-course tuition videos for candidates attending its range of training programmes. Numerous topics will be covered, including lift complexity, rated capacity, hydraulic and safety systems, sling configurations and angles, and Uniform Load Method.

Look out for further details in future issues of ALLMI Focus.



For details of ALLMI standards, guidance documents and training, visit: www.allmi.com