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Updated guide to Maintaining Roadworthiness of Mobile Cranes -**CIG 1901**

Some large vehicles - including mobile cranes mounted on bespoke chassis which form the majority of the UK mobile crane fleets - are not included in the regulatory regime for the annual road safety testing requirements. Therefore, in the interest of road safety, CPA's Crane Interest Group has introduced a voluntary annual roadworthiness scheme for those mobile cranes exempted from the HGV testing requirements titled Annual



Roadworthiness Inspection Scheme for Mobile Cranes Mounted on Non-standard Chassis (CIG1901).

As well as providing an annual record of the crane's condition, the inspection provides valuable monitoring of the effectiveness of the crane owner's maintenance regime. The CPA scheme is based on the requirement of the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency's Heavy Goods Vehicle Inspection Manual taking account of the derogations permitted by The Road Vehicles (Authorisation of Special Types) (General) Order 2003 (STGO).

CIG 1901 has recently been revised to now encompass all mobile crane types which is reflected in a change of title along with internal amendments to the publication. It can be downloaded free of charge at www.cpa.uk.net/safetyand-technical-publications/mobile-and-crawler-crane-guidance

New guidance on lifting items with engineered lifting points

CPA technical staff are working with members of the industry's Lead AP Group and the Health and Safety Executive to devise a **Technical Information Note (TIN)** on the lifting of items that have engineered lift points. Topics that are being inserted include types of loads with engineered lifting points, CE and UKCA marking, inspection of



engineered lifting points and design standards and codes. It is envisaged that the TIN will be available in early 2022.



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Stars of the Future Awards 2022

The CPA is inviting employers across the UK construction equipment sector to recognise and



reward their apprentices and trainees by entering them into the Stars of the Future Awards 2022. The awards are now open for entries. Employers can nominate their outstanding apprentices and trainees which they see as being the industry's future leaders.

Nominations are welcomed from all employers including rental companies, manufacturers, contractors, suppliers and others operating in the construction equipment sector with apprentices and trainees in their workforce. There are around 900 apprentices across the six main equipment-based occupations in the UK, all of which are eligible.

2022 marks a landmark year for the CPA's Stars of the Future Awards as it is the 10th year of the awards programme. This year, six national titles will be awarded - Plant Mechanic of the Year (Level 2), Plant Technician of the Year (Level 3), Plant Operative of the Year, Plant Installer of the Year, Lifting Technician of the Year and Hire Controller of the Year - as well as some special awards.

The 2022 winners will be announced at a live awards presentation at the Heart of England Conference and Events Centre in Fillongley, near Coventry, on 7th July 2022. Stars of the Future winners will be in contention for several prizes, as well as national recognition. Previous



prizes have included Snap-on tool kits, iPads and an all-expenses paid trip to Germany to visit the Liebherr crane plant in Ehingen.

CPA chairman Kevin Minton said: "Each year, Stars of the Future gets bigger and better and we're very excited that this year marks the 10th year of the awards. It is now firmly established as the premier event of the construction equipment sector for recognising and rewarding the skills and calibre of the industry's apprentices and trainees. There were 70 nominations from across the industry for Stars of the Future in 2021 and we anticipate there will be even more nominations this year."

"As the nominations closing date is 31st March, we urge employers to act now and complete and submit their nominations in good time. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the CPA website at www.cpa.uk.net/skillstraining/stars-of-the-future. You can also watch a video clip of last year's event to find out what Stars of the Future is all about."

The national winners for Stars of the Future 2021 were Dean Johnston of Liebherr and NSCG Stafford College; Luke Thornton of GGR and Activate Apprenticeships; Jim Baraclough of L Lynch Plant Hire; Liam Basson of

Falcon Tower Crane Services; Amy Wicks of L Lynch Plant Hire; Beth Doel of HSS and Reaseheath College and Lucy O'Rourke of Sunbelt Rentals and Reaseheath College.



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