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### ALLMI FOCUS

## HSE ISSUES SUPPORTIVE STATEMEN

The UK's Health & Safety Executive (HSE) has issued a supportive statement in relation to ALLMI's work concerning swing-up stabiliser legs.

The statement is as follows:

"HSE encourages and appreciates the collaborative work being done between the industry association (ALLMI) and Tier

One contractors to improve the safety in the use of loader cranes. The HSE welcomes the speed of response by the industry in producing revised safety notices, guidance and training. The HSE urges all owners and users of lorry loaders to give due regard to the information available on the ALLMI website and to ensure their safety in use."

ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "We would like to thank the ALLMI members and Tier One contractors involved in the working groups that helped to produce swing-up stabiliser related content, and also those who have communicated and adopted the applicable training and guidance."

Contact ALLMI for any queries regarding swing-up stabilisers.

## 2023 MILESTONES

#### **SAFE USE OF REMOTE CONTROLS CAMPAIGN -10 YEARS**

ALLMI's 2022 market statistics highlight the growing popularity of remote controls, which bring many benefits to lorry loader operation. However, it is important to



remember that potential hazards can be created if they are used incorrectly, an issue that led to ALLMI launching its 'Safe Use of Remote Controls' campaign in 2013.

The freely available guidance includes a webbased video, an information leaflet aimed at operators and their immediate supervisors, and a ready made toolbox talk template.

To access these resources, visit www.allmi.com/safe-use-of-remote-controls or download the ALLMI App from the Apple or Google Play stores.

#### BS 7121-2-4:2013 - 10 YEARS

Publication of the 'Code of practice for the safe use of cranes - Part 2-4: Inspection, maintenance and thorough examination -Loader cranes'. Previously generic to all crane types, BS 7121-2 was split into sub-parts in 2013, providing the lorry loader industry with its own specific standard for inspection, maintenance and thorough examination.





#### EN 12999 - 20 YEARS

In 2003, the first version of EN 12999 was published, providing a means of conformity with the Essential Health & Safety Requirements of the Machinery Directive 98/37/EC. This version introduced the requirements for slew restrictions/slew limitation systems and platform protection envelopes for stand-up controls.

Having undergone six revisions or amendments since then, and with a further update currently underway, the standard has been essential in improving loader crane design and safety.

#### **LOLER & PUWER - 25 YEARS**

1998 saw the implementation of the Lifting **Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations** (LOLER) and the Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations (PUWER). Both had a significant impact on the lorry loader industry, covering requirements for issues such as checking equipment, lift planning and thorough examination.

#### **ALLMI OPERATOR TRAINING -30 YEARS**

30 years ago, ALLMI launched its first training course for lorry loader operators. This programme



was the forerunner for the current ALLMI accreditation system, which was established in 2001 and now plays a leading role in supporting the safe operation of lorry loaders.

# 2022

ALLMI has released its UK loader crane industry sales figures for 2022, which show a three percent growth



compared to 2021 and up six percent on pre-Covid 2019. Demand for remote controls continues to grow, with more than 60 percent of lorry loaders equipped with them - up from 53 percent in 2021. The uptake reaches 100 percent for all loader cranes over 26 tonne/ metres.

## ELECTION

ALLMI has concluded its annual election process for the positions of chairman and **Operators' Forum chairman.** 

Alan Johnson of Palfinger UK was elected to continue as chairman of the association whilst Steve Frazer-Brown of David Watson Transport has been reappointed as chairman of the Operators' Forum, ALLMI's fleet owner division.

Alan Johnson said: "It is an honour to continue serving in the chairman's role, working with the ALLMI board and wider membership to raise standards in the industry. Last year was another successful one for ALLMI on numerous fronts and we look forward to bringing further positive change during 2023 and beyond."

Steve Frazer-Brown added: "I am privileged to be reappointed as Forum chairman, continuing to represent fleet owners on the ALLMI board, as well as working with the Forum Executive Committee to ensure that safety remains at the forefront of operators' minds and attitudes."

For a list of all ALLMI board and Operators' Forum Executive Committee members, go to www.allmi.com/allmiboard www.allmi.com/operators-forum-exec-committee





Steve Frazer-Brown



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