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Tying towers

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PASMA focus

New Guidance Note: Tying-in Mobile Access Towers

As a general rule PASMA recommends that access towers should be tied-in to the structure being worked on wherever possible, as it is good practice to do so. There are circumstances, however, when it is mandatory to tie-in: For example, when the desired height is greater than the maximum free standing height of the tower; where it is not possible to fully

deploy stabilisers, outriggers or counterweights or where other circumstances indicated in the instruction manual are encountered. A new guidance note from PASMA provides guidance to users of when and where a tower should be tied in to an adjacent structure. The guidance note identifies the most common tie in arrangements for securing towers, including box ties,

lip ties, through ties, expanding anchor ties and the use of girder couplers. Mobile access towers should of course always be assembled in accordance with the appropriate and current manufacturer's instruction manual and should comply with current regulations. For more information about this new guidance note please go to www.pasma.co.uk



AIF Seminar Theatre at Safety & Health Expo, 13 -15 May, NEC

As a founder member of the Access Industry Forum (AIF), the alliance for access, PASMA will be making a series of presentations in the AIF Seminar Theatre at Safety & Health Expo. The following presentations are currently scheduled:

- Tue, 13 May 12.45:** Tower inspection: Time for a closer look
- Wed, 14 May 11.45:** Advance guardrails with towers
- Thur, 15 May 12.45:** High time for low level access
14.15: Forgotten anything...what about rescue planning for towers?

Access in action



The PASMA poster

Lyte makes it a dozen

The addition of Lyte Industries, the Swansea-based tower and ladder manufacturer to the association, brings the total number of PASMA manufacturing members up to a full dozen.	Aliscaff	www.aliscaff.co.uk
	Alto Tower Systems Ltd	www.alto-towers.co.uk
	Aluminium Castings Limited	www.basstowers.com
	Euro Towers Ltd	www.eurotowers.co.uk
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	Pop-Up Products Ltd	www.popupproducts.co.uk
	Towers and Sanders Ltd	www.scaffold-tower.co.uk
	Turner Access Ltd	www.turner-access.co.uk
	Youngman Group	www.youngmangroup.com
	Zarges UK Ltd	www.zargesuk.co.uk

PASMA people profile

A long time supporter of the association and its work in advancing safety and best practice is PASMA vice chairman, Roger Verallo, managing director of Euro Towers, the company he founded with a former president of the association, Tony Williams (now retired) in October 1991.

Prior to establishing Euro Towers Verallo and Williams, worked together at Zig-Zag Scaffolds, Milton Keynes for 14 years, leaving the business after it was acquired by SGB. Asked about his involvement with PASMA he said: "I am delighted to be associated with an organisation devoted to best practice. In an industry making major advances, it is ensuring that progress is backed by knowledge, understanding and competence."



Roger Verallo

Popular Poster

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Five Fast Facts About PASMA

1. It is the UK's lead trade association for the mobile access tower industry
2. It is also one of the fastest growing trade associations in the UK
3. Its standard training scheme is recognised and respected as the industry benchmark
4. In 2008 PASMA expects to train around 45,000 operatives
5. It works closely with the HSE and is a major publisher of safety-related tower information

PASMA AGM: Mark Your Diary!

The date for this years Annual General Meeting looms closer, it is Tuesday, 15 July and the venue is Moxhull Hall in Sutton Coldfield. To reserve your place go to www.pasma.co.uk