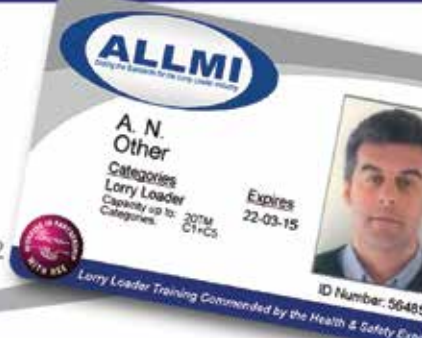


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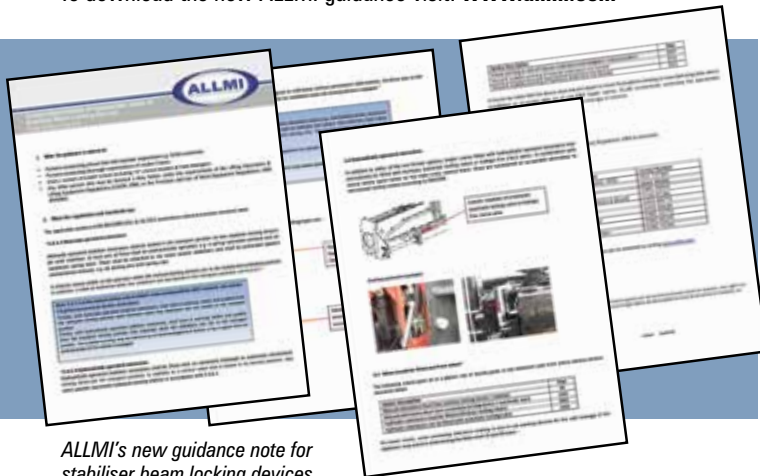
New ALLMI guidance note for stabiliser locking devices

The ALLMI Technical Standards Committee (TSC) has recently published a new guidance note titled "The Correct Identification of Appropriate Types of Stabiliser Beam Locking Devices".

Aimed at a wide range of industry stakeholders the guidance explains the technical and legislative issues relating to the subject and in particular looks at the requirements coming from the various versions of the European standard for loader cranes EN12999.

ALLMI technical director and chairman of the TSC, Alan Johnson said: "It has become apparent that in certain areas of the wider industry, a degree of confusion exists over the requirements for stabiliser beam locking devices, in relation to both hydraulically and manually operated extensions. The guidance explains the systems required and how this can vary depending on the age of the crane, which will then determine which version of EN12999 needs to be complied with. We've also included useful pictorial guides which will help readers to identify the various types of locking device."

To download the new ALLMI guidance visit: www.allmi.com



ALLMI's new guidance note for stabiliser beam locking devices

After-Sales Working Group update

On 26th February ALLMI held the inaugural meeting for its newly formed After-Sales Working Group (ASWG) in Coventry. Chaired by ALLMI board member, Carly Barnard, the meeting looked at ways in which communication and co-operation can be further enhanced between ALLMI members; in particular, between manufacturers and independent service providers.



Carly Barnard

Barnard said: "The event was a big success and we're very happy that we've achieved the aim of the initial meeting, which was to facilitate an open discussion and sounding board for all manufacturers and repairers within ALLMI. We started the day with an open discussion, which gave all delegates the opportunity to contribute towards establishing the key issues. These were identified as quality of service, diagnostics, safety and product familiarisation. We also took steps towards forming a smaller and demographically balanced Working Group, which will be responsible for taking the project forward."

Operators' Forum elections

ALLMI recently concluded the election process for the members of its Operators' Forum executive committee. This resulted in Steve Frazer-Brown of David Watson Transport retaining his position as forum chairman for the ninth year and therefore keeping his place on the ALLMI board in order to represent the interests of fleet owners. The election also saw two new faces joining the committee, with Jeremy Hughes of 19 Transport and Keith Silvester of Mobile Mini being appointed for the first time.

The ALLMI Operators' Forum executive committee:

- Steve Frazer-Brown (chairman) - David Watson Transport
- Tom Wakefield - ALLMI chief executive
- Alan Johnson - ALLMI technical director
- Paul Bishop - Axle Haulage
- Andrew Hollingsworth - Travis Perkins
- Jeremy Hughes - 19 Transport
- Keith Silvester - Mobile Mini
- Bob Toon - Gatwick Group
- Brian Sutherland - Elliott Group



Jeremy Hughes



Keith Silvester

Operator of the Year 2014

ALLMI has opened the registration process for its 2014 "Operator of the Year" competition. Once again forming the centre-piece of the ALLMI Village and a key feature of the Vertikal Days event, operators can now register for the competition online by visiting the association's website.

ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield, said: "We are very excited about building upon last year's competition, which was our most successful to date. As always, the competition will be a great opportunity for operators to test their skills in relation to speed, accuracy and the safety of operation. Not only will the winner walk away with the "Operator of the Year" title and trophy, there's also a £250 cash prize at stake, as well as a free ALLMI training course and the use of the competition logo for the operator's employer."



The competition will test operators skills in relation to speed, accuracy and the safety of operation

"All ALLMI operators present at Vertikal Days will be welcome to take part, but we are also facilitating pre-show registrations for entrants using the ALLMI website, which together with the extensive promotion of the competition, has already generated a huge amount of interest from operators throughout the UK and we're expecting to see a record number of participants in 2014."

In order to register for the competition in advance of the show, complete and return the ALLMI Operator of the Year competition registration form, which can be found at: www.allmi.com. Alternatively, call the ALLMI office on 0844 858 4334.

ALLMI Operator of the Year competition 2014

- ALLMI Village, Vertikal Days, Haydock Park, 14th/15th May.
- £250 to the winning operator.
- Use of the "ALLMI Operator of the Year 2014" logo for the operator's employer.
- Free ALLMI training course for the employer (potentially worth over £4000)

