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# UK TIER ONE CONTRACTOR SITE REQUIREMENTS

Tier one contractors in the UK have confirmed that from 1st January onwards, lorry loader cranes with swing-up stabiliser legs that hydraulically rotate across fixed control stations - including emergency controls in the case of those operated by remote - will need to be fitted with a manufacturer or authorised representative approved technical solution that prevents the stabiliser beam from being fully retracted unless the leg/jack cylinder is in the vertical/upright position ie not horizontal.

Until the end of this year, cranes of this type that do not have the required technical solution fitted, will require the retraction of swing-up stabiliser



Swing up leg

legs to be supervised by a second person (a 'Spotter'), the provision of whom will be agreed on a case-by-case basis between the supplier and the site.

Please note that the above should be viewed separately to Skanska's policy on swing-up stabiliser legs which will remain in place.

## SWING-UP STABILISER SAFETY VIDEO

ALLMI has launched its 'Swing-Up Stabiliser Safety' video. Aimed at Spotters and Operators of lorry loader cranes with swing-up stabiliser legs and developed as an integral part of ALLMI's new E-Learning Module, the video's release follows extensive work already carried out by ALLMI on this subject, including the publication of Safety Alerts, a Guidance Note, training scheme amendments and successfully lobbying for change to the European product standard, EN12999.

Covering all aspects of correct use for swing-up stabilisers - as well as the various types available - the video also explains how the spotter and operator should work together to ensure safe leg retraction.

Video content includes:

- Introduction to Swing-Up Stabilisers
- Acting as the Spotter
- Correct Operation
- Incorrect Operation
- Swing-Up Stabilisers Operated by Remote Control
- Other Types of Swing-Up Stabiliser
- ALLMI Resources

As well as being part of ALLMI's E-Learning Module, the video is freely available via ALLMI TV: [www.allmi.com/allmi-tv](http://www.allmi.com/allmi-tv)



## SWING-UP STABILISERS COMPLIANCE REGISTER

As part of its work with the Tier One Health & Safety Forum, ALLMI is in the process of launching a new web based 'Swing-Up Stabilisers Compliance Register'.

Manufacturers will upload details of lorry loader cranes with swing-up stabilisers that are compliant with Tier One contractor requirements and these machines will then be fitted with an ALLMI QR code sticker. When the QR code is scanned by site staff, the user will be taken to a page on the ALLMI website where upon entering either the loader crane serial number or vehicle registration, confirmation is provided of the crane's compliance.

ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "The purpose of the Register is to assist manufacturers, fleet owners and contractors with the issue of site access for lorry loaders with swing-up stabiliser legs, creating a smooth process and also making it simple to understand when a spotter is required i.e. if the lorry loader isn't registered with ALLMI, or via an alternative manufacturer specific QR code system, then until the end of this year it can continue to operate on Tier One sites, provided that a spotter observes the safe retraction of the leg."

An implementation date for the Compliance Register (when sites will start looking for the QR code) is yet to be agreed, but a further update will be provided in due course.



## NEW E-LEARNING MODULE

ALLMI has released a new E-Learning Module for Swing-Up Stabiliser Safety. The association is encouraging adoption of this E-Learning for personnel using any type of swing-up stabiliser legs. However, it is important to note that, as of 14th November, Tier One contractor sites will request evidence of Module completion for anyone in the role of spotter or operator of lorry loader cranes with swing-up stabiliser legs that hydraulically rotate across fixed controls - including the use of emergency levers - unless fitted with a manufacturer or authorised representative approved technical solution that prevents the stabiliser beam from being fully retracted if the leg is not in the vertical/upright position.

ALLMI technical manager Keith Silvester said: "The E-Learning Module can be accessed free of charge via the ALLMI website. It consists of the user watching ALLMI's new Swing-Up Stabiliser Safety video and then answering a series of related questions. All questions must be answered correctly and once achieved the user is sent email confirmation of their pass. This email will contain a QR code which when scanned by site staff, will confirm the validity of Module completion."

To complete the E-Learning Module for Swing-Up Stabiliser Safety, please visit the following page of the ALLMI website:

[www.allmi.com/swing-up-stabilisers-elearning](http://www.allmi.com/swing-up-stabilisers-elearning)



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