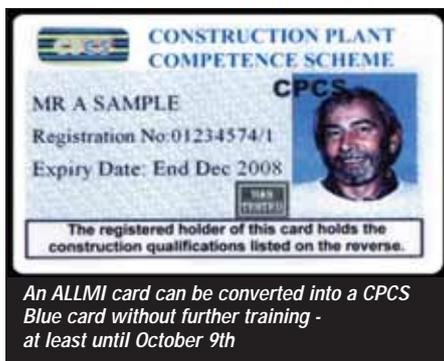


ALLMI / CPCS agreement

Following recent discussions concerning the agreement between ALLMI and CPCS, it has been agreed that the deadline for the application of CPCS Competence cards has been confirmed as the 9th October.

Until that time, anyone holding a current ALLMI card for either the Lorry Loader or Slinger/Signaller category (or both) is eligible to apply for a blue CPCS Competence Card, providing they have passed the Construction Skills Health and Safety Touch Screen Test within the last two years. The categories stated on the card

issued by CPCS will match those on the ALLMI card (i.e. Lorry Loader and/or Slinger/Signaller), with the expiry date for the CPCS card being five years from the date of issue. ALLMI cardholders wanting to apply for CPCS cards must complete the appropriate application form, which can be obtained from either their ALLMI training provider or directly from the ALLMI office. All forms must be sent to ALLMI in order to be approved and sent on to CPCS, and each application will incur a charge from Construction Skills of £20 (details of this are provided on the application form). Discussions are currently taking place regarding the way in which the agreement will work after the 9th October, and all ALLMI members and training providers will be kept fully informed.



New Course Documents for ALLMI's Thorough Examination Training

Further to discussions at numerous technical committee meetings, ALLMI has recently released a new set of paperwork for engineers using the 'ALLMI Training Scheme and Competency Assessment for Thorough Examinations and Load Tests'.

The three new template documents include a check sheet and defect log for the lorry loader and any attachments being used, as well as a template report of thorough examination, which covers all of the information required by the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment

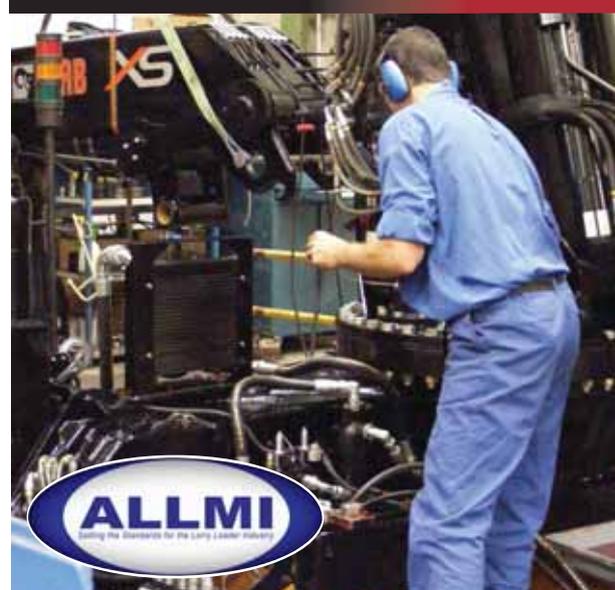
Regulations (LOLER). ALLMI Technical Director, Eric Hawkyard, said: "The Technical Committee is continually reviewing the Thorough Examination and Load Test training course, not only in terms of the course content, but also the documents that are issued to engineers. There have always been documents in place for course candidates to use, but following the feedback we've received, it is felt that the latest version will provide the required templates in a more condensed and user friendly format."

ALLMI at Vertikal Days

On the 25th and 26th June, ALLMI exhibited at Vertikal Days, the UK's only show dedicated exclusively to lifting equipment. With nine loader crane manufacturers also exhibiting, the lorry loader industry was better represented than at any other show this year.

ALLMI executive director, Tom Wakefield, said: "The show was put together very well and

Haydock Park provided the perfect venue. There was an impressive range of exhibitors taking part and as the show was focused purely on lifting equipment, the quality of the visitors was extremely good and with ongoing support it could well develop into a significant annual event for the lorry loader crane industry."



Engine Management Systems Update

The first meeting of the ALLMI Engine Management Systems (EMS) specialist working group has been scheduled for the 9th September.

The meeting follows the appointment of Ismo Leppanen, ALLMI's service director, as project manager for the association's work in this area. Tasked with driving the project forward, the working group has the objective to address the following issues:

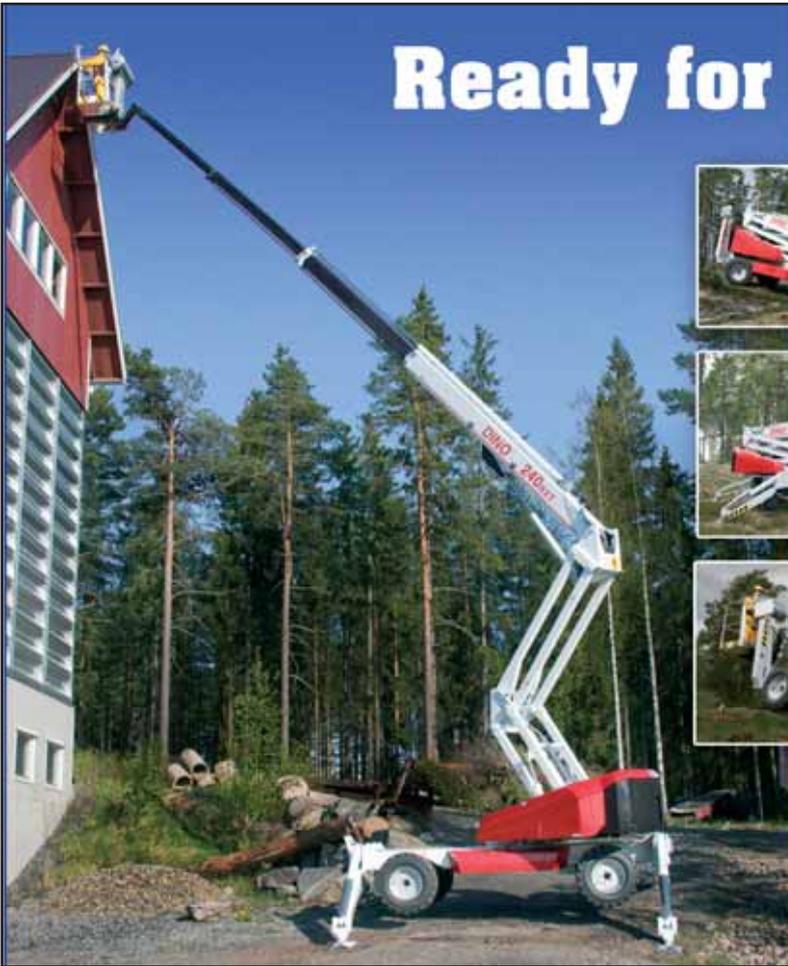
- How to collate truck, crane and PTO electrical information so that it is accessible from one source (the ALLMI website).
- The development of a 'Salesman's Form' that truck salesman can use when the vehicle is sold for crane use.
- The development of an 'Installer's Feedback Form' to help communication between the truck dealer and the crane installer.
- The production of chassis looms for connecting cranes.

Commenting on the upcoming meeting, Leppanen said: "the past couple of months have been spent liaising with members of the working group regarding the issues we'll be discussing in September. The level of debate has been very pleasing and I feel that the forthcoming meeting will see us take a significant step forward."



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