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# The importance of management training

The provision of a range of manager courses is part of ALLMI's on-going efforts to further improve the level of knowledge, awareness and competency within the loader crane industry, as well as compliance with the requirements of PUWER 9.2 which states: "Every employer shall ensure that any of his employees who supervises or manages the use of work equipment has received adequate training for purposes of health and safety, including training in the methods which may be adopted when using the work equipment, any risks which such use may entail and precautions to be taken."

Chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "ALLMI has always encouraged companies to put their relevant managers through the association's various training programmes wherever possible. However, it is appreciated that some managers will not meet the entry criteria for the courses, or might not be in a position to take time off from their day to day role for the full duration of such training. With this in mind, we have abbreviated each of the courses into one-day training sessions, which cover the same topics as the standard course, and

include an element of the practical training."

Julian Elms, training manager for T H White, the Palfinger crane importer adds: "In recent months, we have delivered a number of ALLMI manager courses covering lorry loader operation, and the reaction from those receiving the training has been extremely positive. Companies quickly recognise that those who attend gain an even better understanding of the technical, legislative and operational issues relating to their areas of responsibility, and that as



a result of this, standards are further raised throughout the business."

John McKeever, group transport manager for Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services UK, recently attended an ALLMI manager course and said: "Whilst we recognise the obvious rewards of training front line staff, we also fully appreciate the benefits of ensuring that our management is continually improving its understanding of the challenges and issues our team faces on a day-to-day basis. The ALLMI manager courses assist us in achieving this, and the training

plays an important part in enabling us to constantly develop and sustain safe and efficient working practices throughout the business."

ALLMI manager courses are available for the following subject areas:

- Lorry Loader Operator
- Slinger / Signaller
- Crane Supervisor
- Appointed Person
- Thorough Examination & Load Testing

## ALLMI membership event 2016 - 5th October

ALLMI will host another industry get-together on 5th October this year, with the Forest of Arden Marriott Hotel & Country Club in Meriden set to be the venue once again. ALLMI chairman, Mark Rigby, said: "Last year's event was a big success, but we are building upon that by generating even more excitement and interest in what is likely to be the largest gathering of lorry loader industry professionals in the 2016 calendar. We are still in the very early planning stages and will update members and the wider industry as our preparations take shape. In the meantime, we would ask that you reserve the date in your diary."



## What should a report of Thorough Examination contain?

The information contained within a Report of Thorough Examination should meet the requirements of Schedule 1 of the Lifting Operations & Lifting Equipment Regulations (LOLER) 1998. However, a perennial concern of ALLMI members is the quality of documentation being issued within the wider lorry loader industry, because, in many given cases, such reports fail to comply.

The requirements of Schedule 1 are clearly set out and ALLMI's template documentation issued to its accredited thorough examiners reflects this. If you would like a copy of Schedule 1, or if you have been issued with a Report of Thorough Examination which does not contain this information, then please contact the association for further advice.

## New board appointment

Ben James, service director of Bristol based Avon Crane & Commercial Repairs, has joined the ALLMI board. Speaking of his appointment he said: "ALLMI is an organisation with which I have a long-standing involvement, having previously served on the board and a number of the association's committees. I am passionate about all aspects of the lorry loader business but, in particular, recruiting and encouraging young people to join what is a very dynamic and rewarding industry. This is important if we are to avoid a skills shortage in the years to come. I believe that the association is in an ideal position to facilitate progress in this area. I am very grateful to members for electing me and look forward to contributing to the board's excellent work."



Ben James