

EN 12999 amendment published

CEN/BSI have now published the amendment to the European Standard for Loader Cranes, 'BS EN 12999:2011+A2:2018'.

ALLMI technical manager, Keith Silvester commented: "ALLMI has been heavily involved with this amendment via representation on WG18, the European Working Group responsible for EN 12999. The changes cover a variety of areas, and are primarily intended to reflect key product or industry developments, as well as assessment of their impact against the Essential Health and Safety Requirements of the Machinery Directive. WG18 is currently working on a full revision to EN 12999, which is due for release in 2020. Therefore, this recently published amendment is likely to be current for two years or so."

The amended standard is available to buy via <https://shop.bsigroup.com/>. Should you have any questions concerning this Standard, then please contact ALLMI.



ALLMI Membership Event - 40th anniversary celebrations!

ALLMI has announced plans for its 2018 Membership Event, which will be held on Thursday, 11th October at the Belfry Hotel & Resort in Sutton Coldfield. The event will carry particular importance this year as the association celebrates its 40th anniversary.



ALLMI chairman, Mark Rigby said: "Following the successful 2017 Membership Event, we were pleased to receive an abundance of positive feedback, and a range of helpful ideas concerning our 40th Anniversary celebrations. We are now using this information to ensure that this year's event builds upon the format of previous years, and it will therefore include valuable meetings and networking opportunities, as well as an array of exciting new features and forms of evening entertainment."

ALLMI's Tom Wakefield, added "Our preparations are rapidly taking shape and we look forward to keeping members, as well as the industry as a whole, informed of developments. In the meantime, we would ask that all stakeholders mark the date in their diaries for what we expect to be the largest gathering of lorry loader industry professionals in many years, and ALLMI's biggest and best event so far!"



More ALLMI representation on BSI/CEN/ISO

One of ALLMI's core tenets is to be involved in the formulation of any new legislation and standards which affect the industry's interests. In order to achieve this objective, ALLMI has always ensured strong representation within British, European and International Standards committees applicable to loader cranes. This has involved working with British Standards Institution, which then feeds into CEN (European Committee for Standardisation) and ISO (International Organisation for Standardisation) committees.



Alastair Evans

Following the sad death of Bryan Flintham last year, ALLMI has been looking for a technical expert from within its membership to provide representation on these committees, in a role that will be shared with the association's technical manager, Keith Silvester. The search recently concluded with the appointment of Alastair Evans, product sales manager for Hiab UK.

Evans said: "I am very pleased that ALLMI members have endorsed my appointment. Subject to undergoing an approval process with BSI, I look forward to joining Keith in this role, and playing my part in helping shape and influence standards for the betterment of the lorry loader industry."

New training & audit officer

ALLMI has taken another significant step forward, appointing Paul Wright as a full time staff member in the new role of training & audit officer, having joined the association's Instructor Auditing team in July last year, after 25 years in the loader crane industry, both on the installation/repairer side and with a fleet owner.



Paul Wright

His responsibilities will include running various training courses, as well as carrying out audits of both instructors and member companies. He will also be involved in the extensive project work undertaken by the association, affecting all areas of lorry loader safe use.

ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "We are very pleased to have secured the services of Paul, who is ideally suited to the role. He has a wealth of valuable experience, having spent time working for both a service/repair business and a fleet owner from within the ALLMI membership, as well as delivering ALLMI training and being part of our auditing team. We look forward to utilising his knowledge and skills, and the additional benefits this new position will bring in terms of further improving our service to an industry which is rapidly evolving."



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