

LETTERS



LG1 Tests and Examinations

My company "LiftTest" provides a specialist service to lift companies carrying out the LG1 Tests and Examinations. We therefore aim to clarify the requirements of the guidelines whenever we can.

It amazes me that there are companies who are still not implementing LG1 giving reasons such as "it is not a legal requirement" or "Our customers won't pay those prices" or "our customers can't see what they are getting for their money".

Whilst it is correct to say that the LG1 Guidelines are not a legal requirement, lifts do have to be thoroughly examined by competent person under regulation 9 of The Lifting Operations & Lifting Equipment Regulations 1989 (LOLER) and, as documented by SAFed, if followed the LG1 Tests and Examinations will be regarded as sufficient to comply with Health and Safety Law.

I appreciate that the industry is very buoyant at present and that there is a severe skill shortage. But this should not mean that LG1 has to go on the "back burner" because companies are unable to impact its importance to their customers.

LG1 is here to stay and should be respected and understood as an important part of our industry, which in turn should be conveyed to the customer.

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