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TASCCforce

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE **TRADE ASSURANCE SCHEME FOR COMBINABLE CROPS**



Hiring Trailers: Check TASCC Certification Before Use

The clause requirement in H2.1.b is that all vehicles hired for the movement of food/feed must be from a TASCC Haulage Certified company.

It is essential that, prior to hiring a vehicle, you check the assurance status of the certified company via the Assurance Checker by searching for 'The hire of TASCC approved trailers'.

Daily alerts indicate when an assurance status has changed, so it is important to monitor these when you have rental agreements in place.

Currently there are 9 certified hire trailer companies:

Goudie Premier Trading Limited	YY2073	Payne Brothers (East Anglia) Ltd	YY1318
H & S Roe & Sons Farms Ltd	YY3260	STAS Trailers UK Ltd	YY3377
MB Plant Ltd	YY3323	Thomas of Flecknoe	YY3310
MV Commercial Limited	YY3383	Woodbine Plant & Commercial Ltd	YY3413
Newton Trailers Limited	YY3254		

Any businesses interested in becoming certified to hire trailers should contact Kiwa on 01423 878873 or email **feed@kiwa.co.uk**

Welcome

Welcome to TASCCforce. In this edition, you'll find practical audit and compliance guidance, including reminders on hiring trailers, vehicle weights, previous loads and traceability.

We also share updates on the new TASCC Standard, training and support resources, and opportunities to get involved in the TASCC Working Groups.

As ever, we welcome all feedback from Members and Participants. If you have any questions or suggestions of topics you would like to see covered, please get in touch.

The AIC welcomes your views and is here to help make your voice heard.



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Audit Hints and Tips

BAIT STATIONS

It is a requirement that all control points, traps and bait stations are uniquely identified (S19.7.b). As guidance, unique identification can be provided using a numbering or lettering system that is traceable to the pest control site plan.

Top Tip... Best practice would be to also include the Participant's TASCC Scheme ID number.

VEHICLE INVENTORY

Ensure that your Vehicle Inventory is up to date and accurately reflects the TASCC-approved vehicles within your fleet.

Don't forget... you can also use the Vehicle Inventory for your non-TASCC vehicles.

COLLECTION NOTES – INCLUDE DESTINATION DETAILS

Please do not redact destination details on collection notes or delivery tickets when collecting combinable crops from farms. Include the name and address of the onward destination.

Destination details are a requirement of the farm assurance standards to fulfil their traceability requirements. A template Collection/Delivery Ticket is available on the AIC website.

If you have any questions regarding this requirement, please contact **gill.barrow@agindustries.org.uk**

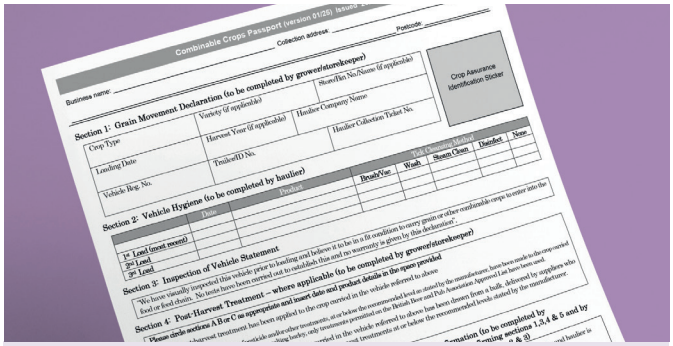


Overweight Vehicles

Customers are reporting a significant number of delivery vehicles arriving at their sites over the legal gross vehicle weight. Any overweight loads that are rejected are being prevented from moving on. In addition, fines are being issued on the road.

How accurate is your weighloader?

Remaining safe and legal is paramount for all stakeholders.



Three Previous Loads: Avoiding Generic Descriptions

When listing the three previous loads, ensure that the description of the material is sufficiently detailed to accurately identify the goods. Generic terms such as feed, meal, pellets, nuts, biomass, fertiliser, ash, stone or dust should not be used.

Providing greater detail enables potential risks to food and feed to be properly assessed and ultimately helps to ensure a safe food and feed supply chain.

If you are unsure whether a material is suitable to be carried, please contact either Kiwa or AIC.



TASCC Consultation

As mentioned in the last edition, the new TASCC Standard will be implemented in 2028, with auditing commencing on 1 April 2028.

Members, Participants and industry stakeholders are encouraged to provide feedback on the proposed draft 2028 Standard.

Look out for a further briefing later this year.

Join the TASCC Testing Working Group as an Observer

Are you new to your role or at the start of your career in a Testing Facility? If you would like to be involved in the wider management of the Trade Assurance Scheme for Combinable Crops (TASCC) Testing Standard, you can join the Testing Working Group as an observer.



The group comprises TASCC Testing-certified Participants and meets online twice a year. Participation could lead to membership of the Review Group, which is responsible for reviewing the Standard and ensuring it meets legislative requirements.

For more information, email:
gill.barrow@agindustries.org.uk



AHDB Grain Testing Analyst Modules

Don't forget you can revisit the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (AHDB) modules as a reference or information point, not just as training modules.

You now also have the option to print the modules or receive them by email.

For further information, contact:
gill.barrow@agindustries.org.uk

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Order TASCC Stickers Online

ORDER HERE

The new TASCC certification period starts on 1 April 2027. Remember to order your TASCC stickers online via the AIC website.

TASCC stickers must only be used on Combinable Crops Passports for crops that have been grown under the Red Tractor or Scottish Quality Crops assurance schemes and stored in a TASCC-certified store.

In line with the validity of the certificate, TASCC stickers are valid for three years. Passport stickers are used to identify grain from assured farms delivered from a TASCC-approved store.

Remember... To order stickers, TASCC Participants must have Storage within their scope of certification.

LISTEN...

TASCC Compliance and Best Practice



A podcast is available explaining the importance of TASCC and its role in the UK agricultural supply chain.

This episode is ideal for hauliers, merchants, storage operators, testing facilities and businesses involved in grain, feed and wider agricultural supply chains that need clear, practical guidance on assurance, traceability and compliance.



Pest Management

Did you know... you can check whether your pest controller is a member of the British Pest Control Association (BPCA)?

Use the BPCA search to find trusted, qualified, audited and insured members.



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Insurance Support for TASCC Participants

AIC is working with Everywhen to provide insurance support for TASCC Participants. This includes access to a no-obligation review of your insurance needs.

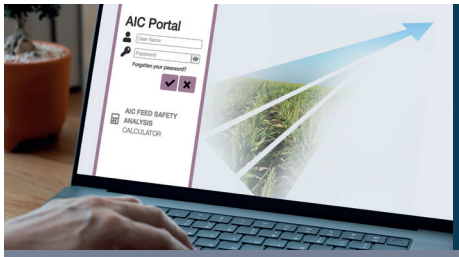
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Representatives from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland Wanted for the TASCC Working Group

We are looking for TASCC Participants from the Republic of Ireland (ROI) and Northern Ireland (NI) to join the TASCC Working Group.

Meetings are held three times a year and can be attended virtually.

To get involved, please email **gill.barrow@agindustries.org.uk**



AIC Portal Support

Two helpful guides have been published on the AIC website to assist participants using the website and the portal.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO DOWNLOAD YOUR SUPPORT GUIDE >>

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