

## Qualified Contractors Ltd Mobile Plant & Equipment Accreditation Standards

Qualified Contactors Ltd are pleased to assist, support & work with individual mobile plant operators, users of mobile plant, private employers, organisations, representatives from other mobile plant schemes, public & local government bodies, non-ministerial government bodies, federations & charities.

We support & work with all industries in the UK including construction, demolition, agriculture, horticulture, small building & allied trades, retail, warehousing, industrial & manufacturing etc.

Our aim is to ensure all relevant standards of UK Health & Safety Law as administered by the Health & Safety Executive are met & fully complied with, along with all associated regulations, approved codes of practice, guidance notes, British standards, industry standards, manufacturers standards / recommendations and best practice.

To assist us with meeting all standards & to demonstrate compliance with standards Qualified Contractors Ltd works with a variety of industry leaders. This also provides us the opportunity to further develop & improve standards as they evolve to meet the changing needs of all modern businesses along with UK Health & Safety Legislation.

We operate a Quality Management System which is accredited to ISO-9001 & recognised both nationally & internationally. In addition, we are accredited by CHAS who also ensure our internal processes & standards regarding Health & Safety compliance are both met & maintained. We are also members of the Hire Association of Europe. Our training is (where appropriate) externally accredited by various relevant bodies: CITB, EAL & CPD. CHAS.

Qualified Contractors Ltd was founded Patrick Bowring, based on his over 50+ years of experience with mobile plant & equipment, as a plant operator, plant manager & instructor, examiner & assessor. Well known in both industry & instructor associations, Patrick continues to ensure the high standards of Qualified Contractors Ltd & its instructors are continually audited and meet the high standards we require.

All instructors are fully qualified in teaching & assessment, along with holding other personal specialist qualifications in their fields of expertise including Health & Safety, environmental, transportation, mobile plant ect. Our instructors have a collective vast wealth of knowledge &

experience across wide ranging industries both within the UK & overseas. All our instructors are selected, monitored & audited to ensure all standards are maintained.

The training, examinations & assessments conducted by our instructors can be undertaken on clients own premises or at a dedicated training location where available. These two options allow employers or individual operators maximum flexibility in their approach & arrangements for full (novice) training, conversion training or refresher training.

Where candidates have successfully completed a training, examination & assessment course, they will be awarded Site Safety Awareness certification we also accept CSCS. We then issue operators Proof of Competency Card (POCC). This card will be valid for a maximum period of 5 years. It will display all the categories that the operator has successfully achieved & been awarded by Qualified Contractors Ltd. Once an operator's POCC has expired they are required to undertake refresher training, examination & assessment. If successful re-qualification is achieved a new POCC will be issued for the next 5-year period.