

Glossary, Terms & Abbreviations

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Term	Description
Competent Person	The Competent Person should have such practical and theoretical knowledge as well as actual experience of the type of machinery or plant, which has to be examined. This will enable them to detect defects or weaknesses. This being the purpose of the examination to discover and to assess their importance in relation to the strength and functions of the machinery and plant.
HSC	Health & Safety Commission - The HSC is a tripartite body comprising members from employers' organisations, trade unions and local authorities. The chairman of the Commission and between 6 and 9 other members are appointed by the Secretary of State for Environment, Transport and Regions. The main purpose of the HSC is to promote widespread consultation on all aspects of health and safety and direct the activities of its operation arm, the HSE.
HSE	Health & Safety Executive - This is the national enforcing authority for the HSWA and the H&S regulations made under the HSWA. Local authorities and the councils are also empowered to take enforcement action under the HSWA and regulations.
HSWA	Health and Safety at Work Act 1974.
PUWER 98	Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998.
PUWER part IV	Safe use of Power Presses.
LOLER	Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations.
PSSR	Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000.
EAWR	Electricity at Work Regulations 1989.
COSHH	The control of substances hazardous to health regulations 2002.
IEE 17 th edition	Institution of Electrical Engineers Wiring Regulations Seventeenth edition "Requirements for electrical installations".
ACOP	Approved code of practice.
LEV	Local Exhaust Ventilation (Regulation 9 of COSHH).
CE Mark	The CE mark symbolises the conformity of the product with the applicable community requirements imposed upon the manufacturer.
Work Equipment	Any machinery, appliance, apparatus, tool or installation used at work.
Lifting Equipment	Work equipment used for lifting or lowering a load and includes attachments used for anchoring, fixing or supporting it.
Accessory	Work equipment for attaching loads to machinery for lifting.
LEIA	Lift and Escalator Industry Association.
EPSA	European Platform and stair lift Association.
UKAS	United Kingdom Accreditation Council.
NICEIC	National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting.