

Lifting Equipment Engineers Association

Guide to Documentation and Marking – Part 3 Lifting Machine Support Structures

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Introduction.

This guide is aimed at manufacturers, distributors and users of lifting equipment within the European Economic Area. It has been developed as a quick reference guide to ensure that lifting equipment is supplied with the correct documentation and marking as required by current legislation, standards and best practice guidance.

LEEA 059-3 is one of a series of guides related to documentation and marking of a range of generic forms of lifting equipment as listed below:

- Part 1 Manual Lifting Machines
- Part 2 Powered Lifting Machines
- Part 3 Lifting Machine Supporting Structures
- Part 4 Lifting Accessories, Non-fixed load lifting attachments.
- Part 5 Lifting Accessories, Slings
- Part 6 General accessories and Components for slings.

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Item & Standard	Required Information
Manual slewing Jib	Documents to be supplied in accordance with the relevant legislation & relevant standard:
Designed for use where a full overhead crane may be impractical. Only becomes a crane when fitted with a suitable block, block and trolley or similar lifting appliance. Jibs can be pillar or wall mounted types.	 Test certificate (guidance clause 5.4 BS 7333:1990) Manufacturer's instructions for use. (guidance LEEA SI.18.3) Note 1: if supplied without a hoist unit, as above documentation, the jib crane will have to be thoroughly examined following installation & the fitting of a hoist. A report of thorough examination have to be issued for the assembly, refer to LEEA 030.1a for guidance. Note 2: if supplied complete with hoist unit, trolley & electrics, then an EC Declaration of Conformity should be issued for the complete assembly along with instructions for use. Note 3: if the jib crane has a powered slew, then an EC declaration of Conformity should be issued for the jib. This is regardless of whether a hoist is fitted or not.
Wall mounted Jib	 Marking requirements: Business name and address of the manufacturer Identification number. Identification number and date, i.e. BS 7333:1990 Classification designation. Year of manufacture Safe working load (marked on both sides of the jib) Information Which Should Be Exchanged Between The User & Designer Or Supplier As the variation of design is wide and jib cranes can be made to suit the application within a broad range
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Effective Radius	of standard components, the exchange of information should be as detailed as possible. Wherever possible, a detailed drawing of the intended location, showing any existing installations and possible obstructions such as trunking, ducting and suspended lighting, should be provided by the user. A visit by the supplier to survey the site should always be considered as this will minimise the necessary information exchange and reduce the chance of incorrect selection. The information exchange should therefore include the following:
Pillar Jib BS 7333:1990 Slewing Jib Cranes	 Type and style of jib crane required ie wall/column mounted or free standing, over braced or underbraced. Details of the load to be lifted or SWL. Type of lifting appliance to be used. Effective radius and minimum radius, thereby giving the effective travel. Height to underside of arm or effective height required. Total headroom available for the installation. Slewing angle required. Classification of the crane. (See note 2) If electric power feed equipment is to be supplied, the type required. This should be accompanied with details of the power supply available, including voltage, phase(s) and frequency. If pneumatic power feed equipment is to be supplied, the type required. This should be accompanied
LEEA COPSULE – Section 10	 with details of the air supply available, including pressure and rate of delivery. 11. If free standing jib crane: (a) Size of support column. (b) Fixing details, bolt type, grade and size and PCD. (c) Minimum foundation size (length, breadth and depth). (d) Downward reaction. (e) Turning moment acting on foundation at effective radius. 12. If wall or column mounting jib crane: (a) Type of bracket and fixing details. (b) Maximum reaction on top bracket. (c) Maximum reaction on bottom bracket. 13. Environmental conditions, eg indoor or outdoor, use within corrosive atmosphere, use in hazardous areas, use with dangerous loads etc. 14. Details of finish, eg any special paint or protective finish required, taking cognisance of BS 466 with

	regard to the use of distinctive colours.
	 Any special conditions or technical requirements, eg flame proofed. Full installation and maintenance instructions.
	Notes:
	1. Items 11 and 12 are given by the supplier to enable the qualified engineer referred to in 10.4.2(1) and
	(2) to confirm the suitability of fixings and complete the foundation details.
	2. BS 7333 contains a classification system. If the classification is not known, then sufficient information
	must be given for the supplier to determine the classification. The following is required: (1) Utilization
	(a) Number of lifts per hour.
	(b) Operating hours per day.
	(c) Operating hours per month.
	(2) Loadings
	(a) Number of lifts at full load.
	b Number of lifts at 75% of full load.
	(c) Number of lifts at 50% of full load.
	(d) Number of lifts at 25% of full load.
	(3) Weight of lifting appliance if known.
	(4) Intended design life in years.
	Where insufficient detailed information is available, the user should seek the suppliers advice and
	recommendations as to the most suitable crane. Any restrictions or recommendations on the use
Runways	must be adhered to. Documents to be supplied in accordance with the relevant legislation & relevant standard:
Ranways	becamente to be supplied in accordance with the relevant regislation & relevant standard.
Generally manufactured from rolled	- Certificate of test & Thorough Examination. (guidance see below, LOLER 1998 and BS
steel sections or special track section	2853:2011 clause 10.1)
systems. Designed to provide a track	- Manufacturer's instructions for use. (Guidance LEEA SI.19.3)
upon which a lifting appliance is	
fitted to	Certificate of test and thorough examination. The certificate of test and through examination should contain the following minimal information:
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	 The date on which the proof load was applied and the thorough examination made. Date of the report. Report number. Name and address of employer for whom the thorough examination was made.
	 Address of the premises at which the examination was made. Description and identification of the equipment which must include its distinguishing number or mark and grades of steel, its size and length.
	 The position and magnitude of the deflections obtained during the traversing of the test at SWL and the proof load.
	- The maximum safe working load.
Free Standing Structure	 That the runway beam conforms in all respects to BS 2853:2011 Date of manufacture.
	 Reason for the examination, i.e. after first installation and before being used for the first time. Particulars of any defect found during the examination and affecting the maximum safe working load and the particulars of the steps taken to remedy such defect.
	- A statement stating that the equipment is safe to operate or not
	- A statement indicating clearly that it applies to the runway beam only and not to any trolley or lifting appliance
	that may be fitted Date of next thorough examination.
	- Name, signature and qualifications of the person making the report.
	- Name and signature of person authenticating the report
	 Name and address of the employer of persons making and authenticating this report.
Building Supported Runway	Marking requirements:
	- Business name and address of the manufacturer.
	- Identification Number
	 Safe working load, including any limiting conditions such as reduced SWL on cantilever. Year of manufacture.
	- Maximum hoisting speed for powered hoists or else the words 'Manual Hoist Only'
	Information Which Should Be Exchanged Between The User & Designer Or Supplier
Cultar and	In the case of a dedicated runway, the exchange of information should be as detailed as possible. Where
Special Runway Sections	the runway is to be used for miscellaneous lifting duties, precise details of the load to be lifted are not
	always available. In these circumstances, only a general specification can be given & this should include

	the following information:
BS EN 1993-1-6:2007 BS 2853:2011 LEEA COPSULE – Section 11	 the following information: Type & style of runway, eg free standing, built into the building or suspended from the building structure, including the track section, suspension & fixing details & details of any cantilevered jib sections. Normally a layout drawing will be provided. Type of appliance & trolley to be used, eg manual or power operated, including the lifting medium, eg wire rope or chain. In the case of power operated equipment, this should include details of the power source, isolation & supply system etc & voltage, phase(s) & frequency or pressure & delivery rate. If more than one appliance is to be fitted, details of the number permitted in a single span or the minimum load centres at which they are to operate. SWL or maximum load to be lifted. In the case of a dedicated runway, full details of the load including weight & dimensions & the slinging method to be used. Details of the supporting structure &/or building to which the runway is to be installed. This should include details of any obstructions which may affect the design or operation of the runway. If the runway is to be attached to the building or an existing structure, details of attachment brackets & any additional supporting gantries, columns et chat may be necessary & the position of any stiffening brace members. This should include details of the runway is to be free standing, details of the supporting structure, including the size & position of supporting gantries, columns & foundation base plates etc. This should include details of the loads imposed on the building floor or foundation. Minimum headroom required or height to underside of runway. In the case of free standing structures, the overall height should also be given.
	 supporting gantries, columns & foundation base plates etc. This should include details of the loads imposed on the building floor or foundation. 7. Minimum headroom required or height to underside of runway. In the case of free standing
	 area, use with dangerous loads etc. 10. Details of finish, eg special painted or protective finish. 11. Any special conditions or technical requirements, eg flame proofed. 12. Details of access to the location of the proposed runway for erection & testing purposes. Full installation & maintenance instructions.
	This usually calls for an initial site visit by the supplier to survey the area & assess the practicality of the

Mobile Gantries Generally designed as a temporary runway structure and used in conjunction with a hand or powered lifting appliance. Not generally intended for movement under load.	 project. In the majority of cases, this type of installation will be carried out by the supplier who will require the structural engineer's confirmation of the acceptability of the proposed attachment &/or foundation details. The information exchanged should therefore include sufficient details to enable full loading calculations to be made. Documents to be supplied in accordance with the relevant legislation & relevant standard: Certificate of test & Thorough Examination. (guidance see below and LOLER 1998 and BS 2853:2011 clause 10.1) Manufacturer's instructions for use. (Guidance LEEA SI.20.3)
Fixed frame mobile gantry	 The certificate of test and thorough examination should contain the following minimal information: The date on which the proof load was applied and the thorough examination made. Date of the report. Report number. Name and address of employer for whom the thorough examination was made. Address of the premises at which the examination was made. Description and identification of the equipment which must include its distinguishing number or mark and grades of steel, its size and length. The position and magnitude of the deflections obtained during the traversing of the test at SWL and the proof load. The maximum safe working load. That the runway beam conforms in all respects to BS 2853:2011 Date of manufacture. Reason for the examination, i.e. after first installation and before being used for the first time. Particulars of any defect found during the examination and affecting the maximum safe working load and the particulars of the steps taken to remedy such defect. A statement stating that the equipment is safe to operate or not A statement indicating clearly that it applies to the runway beam only and not to any trolley or lifting appliance that may be fitted.

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	- Date of next thorough examination.
	 Name, signature and qualifications of the person making the report. Name and signature of person authenticating the report
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	Marking requirements:
	- Business name and address of the manufacturer.
	- Serial number.
	- Safe working load, including any limiting conditions.
	- Year of manufacture.
	 Maximum hoisting speed for powered hoists or else the words 'Manual Hoist Only'
Adjustable Height Mobile	
gantry	Although not required by legislation, new Gantries will usually be issued with a manufacturer's record of
	proof load testing in addition to, although possibly combined with, the manufacturers certificate. This
	document forms an important part of the record of the clamp. It should be retained & cross referenced to
BS EN 1993-6 BS 2853:2011	the gantry's historical records for inspection by the Competent Person or HSE.
	Information Which Should Be Exchanged Between The User & Designer Or Supplier
	Mobile gantries are readily available in a wide range of designs, sizes & duty classifications, & may of
LEEA COPSULE – Section 12	course be purpose built to suit a particular application or include various special features. The exchange of
	information should be as detailed as possible. As by their nature mobile gantries are often moved from site
	to site & used to handle a wide variety of loads, precise details are not always available. In these cases,
	only a general specification can be
	given. In many cases, the requirements will be basic & the information easily exchanged. Where special
	site conditions apply or where special circumstances exist, a visit by the supplier to survey the site should
	be considered as this will minimize the necessary exchange of information. In all cases, the following
	minimum information should be exchanged.
	1. Safe working load. Where possible, full details of the load to be lifted, including dimensions & weight.

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2.	Type of mobile gantry, (eg goalpost, adjustable, self-erecting), including maximum wheel &/or jack loadings.
3.	Duty type, ie heavy duty or light duty.
	Details of working dimensions, eg height, span, effective length etc, including any necessary clearances. This information should also include the details of any obstructions which may affect the design of the structure. Outline drawings may be used for this purpose.
	Details of bracing, eg internal.
	Type of lifting appliance to be used, including its connecting device.
	If electric power feed equipment is to be supplied, the type required, which must include provision of earth leads. This should be accompanied by details of the power supply available, including voltage, phase(s), frequency & details of the method of connection to the power source.
8.	If pneumatic power feed equipment is to be supplied, the type required. This should be accompanied with details of the air supply available, including pressure, rate of delivery & method of connection to the air supply.
9.	Type of castors, including details of the floor conditions & any other factors affecting the choice of type.
10	. If jacks are required, the type & details of permissible loading duties.
	. If wheel brakes & /or rotational locks are required, the type.
	. Environmental conditions, eg indoor or outdoor use, use with corrosive atmosphere, use in hazardous areas, use with dangerous loads.
	. Details of finish, including any special paint or protective finish required taking account of BS 466 with regard to the use of distinctive colours.
	. Weight of the structure.
	. Any special features or technical requirements, including if the gantry is to be moved under load. . Full erection, operational and maintenance instructions.

APPENDIX 1

The following appendix has been developed as a guide to support the requirements of LEEA 059.

The relevant legislation is:

- Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC
- Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008
- Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998
- Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998
- Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999.

It is emphasised that this guidance applies to legal requirements only. If the equipment or service provided is to a standard or other specification, additional documents or marking may be required. For each product type within the guidance these marking requirements have been specified

Lifting equipment includes any manual or power operated lifting machine and any lifting accessory which can connect the load to the lifting machine or the lifting machine to its supporting structure.

The guiding principle for all documentation is that it must be legible, complete and accurate. Information which is untrue can result in prosecution. In particular the traditional practice of 'back to back' documentation is now unacceptable.

NEW EQUIPMENT

New lifting equipment must comply with The Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations 2008 as amended in 2011. (SOMSR) The Responsible Person must issue an EC Declaration of Conformity (DOC) and affix the CE marking. This document and marking are evidence that the Responsible Person has claimed compliance. The equipment must also be accompanied by instructions. The information to be contained in the EC Declaration of Conformity and the instructions and the other marking requirements are defined within the guidance for each product type.

Note: Some machinery and safety components are subject to special attestation procedures. These are listed in Annex IV of the Machinery Directive (Annex D of the Supply of Machinery (Safety) Regulations) In general, such special procedures only apply to lifting equipment if it is to be used for lifting persons.

An employer has a duty under Regulation 10 of PUWER98 to ensure that any new equipment has been designed and constructed in compliance with the essential requirements contained in SOMSR. The EC Declaration of Conformity and the CE marking are evidence that it complies.

An employer has a duty under Regulation 9 of LOLER to have lifting equipment thoroughly examined (which includes any appropriate supplementary testing) before first use. There is an exemption for new equipment if it has not been used and the employer has received an EC Declaration of Conformity made not more than 12 months before the equipment has been put into use. However if safety depends on the installation conditions, a thorough examination is required to ensure that it has been installed correctly and is safe to operate. Following any thorough examination, the person making the examination has a duty under Regulation 10 of LOLER to make a report of the examination. The information to be contained in that report is listed in LOLER Schedule 1 and LEEA have produced example templates, refer to LEEA 030.1a

The simplest solution

In most cases, the simplest way to comply with the legal requirements is for the manufacturer to issue the EC Declaration of Conformity, affix the CE marking and provide instructions. If the equipment is not supplied direct to the end user, those in the supply chain should pass on the original documents and not alter any markings. The end user should obtain and keep the original documents. If the exemption applies, the equipment can be put into use. If, at the point of being put into use, the exemption does not apply or if safety depends on the installation conditions, the employer should have it thoroughly examined by a competent person and obtain and keep the report of that examination. Provided the report states that it is safe to operate, the equipment can be put into use.

Problems and alternative solutions

(1) Your supplier has not provided the DOC

The equipment should be rejected until it is provided.

(2) The DOC covers a bulk supply which you will sell in smaller quantities

Provide a copy to your customer. However it is likely that the exemption under LOLER will not apply so thoroughly examine the equipment and issue a LOLER report. Alternatively combine the two with a statement on the LOLER report to the effect that the Responsible Person issued a DOC for the item. Keep the DOC and let your customer see it if requested.

(3) Your supplier will sell direct to your customer so you do not wish to reveal your source

The marking requirements of SOMSR for lifting machines include the name and address of the manufacturer. For lifting accessories it includes identification of the manufacturer. You cannot therefore legally hide this information. If your supplier is not the manufacturer but has passed on the original documents, the simplest solution applies. If your supplier is the manufacturer then either use the alternative in (2) above or 'own brand' it as in (4) below.

(4) Equipment made by others but sold in your name

This is known as 'own branding'. The Commission guidance is that if you appear to be the manufacturer you must accept all the obligations of a manufacturer including assembly of the technical file, declaration of conformity, marking and compliance with the essential safety requirements. If you are not in possession of the technical file you should have a written mandate from the manufacturer that authorises you as their legal representative and details explicitly which obligations set out in article 5 are entrusted to you. As a minimum you must be made responsible for compiling the technical file and making it available to the authorities if requested during market surveillance.

Note: The technical file needn't be paper based, electronic records are acceptable and only a Member State can expect to have sight of it following a substantiated request.

(5) Equipment assembled from several items or modified

The person assembling equipment is regarded as the manufacturer of the assembly. If items within the assembly have a DOC, that forms part of the technical file for the assembly. Similarly anyone modifying equipment and/or changing its intended use is regarded as the real manufacturer. In both cases the obligations include assembly of the technical file, issuing of the DOC, marking and compliance with the essential requirements including provision of instructions.

(6) Equipment made by others which you are asked to test and certify

Be cautious about what you are being asked to do. Traditionally a certificate of test and examination was all that was required to take the equipment into service. Now it is only one ingredient of the technical file. If you are testing it on behalf of the manufacturer as part of his verification process, then he should provide a test specification for you to work to after which you should simply report the results. However

some internet sources do not provide any documentation and customers will send such equipment or home made equipment expecting you to test it and certify it as safe to use. In general, equipment which should be CE marked and have a DOC but hasn't, should be referred back to the manufacturer. If you go beyond simply testing, examining and reporting the results, you may be taking a risk.

If it is a test and examination of a new installation and safety depends upon the installation conditions, then Regulation 9 of LOLER applies. Check also that your customer has the DOC(s) from the manufacturer(s) and that the equipment has been installed in accordance with their instructions. If it is an assembly of items or includes a modified item, check who is responsible for the assembly or modification. See (5) above.

(7) Equipment supplied without instructions

There is a requirement under SOMSR that the equipment is accompanied by instructions for use. Therefore, as a general rule, the equipment should be rejected until such instructions are supplied. If it is general purpose equipment, without any characteristics particular to the design, then generic instructions are an acceptable alternative, eg the LEEA safety information leaflets.

(8) Equipment supplied without CE marking

In general, all complete items of lifting equipment should have the CE marking. Sub assemblies and components are not usually marked. Some items, such as shackles, may be made for non-lifting applications. If the item is supplied complete, intended for lifting applications and not marked, reject it.

(9) Equipment with a Declaration of Incorporation

An EC Declaration of Incorporation (DOI) is a device to legally market machinery which can function but is not complete and may not be safe. It is a statement that the machinery is not to be used until incorporated into an assembly for which a DOC is issued. If you buy and incorporate such machinery, you have the obligations of the manufacturer of the finished assembly.

IN-SERVICE EQUIPMENT

An employer has a duty under Regulation 9 of LOLER to have his lifting equipment thoroughly examined at specified maximum periods or in accordance with an examination scheme and after any exceptional circumstances which are liable to jeopardise the safety of the equipment. Following any thorough examination, the person making the examination has a duty under Regulation 10 of LOLER to make a report of the examination irrespective of whether or not the equipment is found safe to use.

The report must be made to the employer and any person from whom the equipment has been hired or leased. If the person making the examination is of the opinion that there is a defect involving an immediate or imminent risk of serious personal injury, he has a duty to send a copy of his report to the relevant enforcing authority. (Generally the HSE) The information to be contained in that report is listed in LOLER Schedule 1 and LEEA have produced example templates, refer to LEEA 030.1a.