

SITE EVIDENCE · A36

Statement of Training and Competence Assessment

Lorry Loader Crane A36 · A: Lorry Loader - Hook · issued for presentation to site management and health and safety personnel

Field	Entry
Operator	Fred Bloggs
Qualification	Lorry Loader Crane A36
Scope on certificate	A: Lorry Loader - Hook
Assessed and awarded	August 2026
Certificates held	VQ Award (PHW-A36-FB-0826-A) and Certificate of Unit Credit (PHW-A36-FB-0826-UC)
Instructor / Assessor	Adrian Whetton, PHW Services Ltd
Assessor qualifications	A1 Assessor Award · V1 Internal Verifier Award
Evidence file reference	PHW-EF-FB-0826

1. Basis of the qualification

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The VQ is structured operator training with formal theory and practical assessment, delivered and assessed by a qualified instructor and assessor, and internally verified. It evidences the BASIC TRAINING and JOB-SPECIFIC stages of competence. Site-specific familiarisation and the employer's written authorisation to operate complete the picture.

2. Theory assessment: what was completed

A 73-question written theory test, answered in the candidate's own handwriting, covering:

- Health and safety law, roles and responsibilities
- Machine components, controls and terminology
- Pre-use checks and reporting defects
- Pre-travel set-up, travelling the vehicle and manoeuvring in confined spaces
- Setting up for lifting duties: stabilisers, ground conditions, overhead and underground hazards
- Rated Capacity Indicator and lifting capacity
- Lifting technique: radius, slewing, swing and un-balanced loads
- Lifting accessories and slinging
- Shutdown, securing and preparation for the public highway

Pass standard: 80% (59 of 73). The following are designated safety-critical and must be answered correctly irrespective of the overall score:

- A hard hat need only be omitted when the operator is seated in an enclosed cab meeting FOPS criteria
- A UK (or approved) driving licence bearing class C or C1 is required to drive the host vehicle on the public highway; minimum age 18 for a vehicle up to 3.5 tonnes MAM, 21 above 3.5 tonnes MAM
- The minimum distance kept from an open trench must be more than the depth of the trench, or the trench can collapse
- The stabilisers apply the loading to the ground; reduce it by reducing the lorry loader's weight or by increasing pad area with timber matting
- Underground hazards that can affect stability: manhole and other covers, utility ducts and pipes, uncompacted terrain, proximity to open excavations
- Centre of gravity is the point at which the load is in balance
- The SWL/WLL of a multi-leg chain sling only applies when every leg is equally loaded and each leg is within 90 degrees of the others

- If a load must be held suspended, the operator must remain at the controls and near the load
- Lifting downhill on a slope can increase the radius and cause instability
- Before rejoining the public highway, the stabiliser pads and stabilisers must be fully retracted, folded back and locked

Unit-by-unit knowledge questioning was also recorded and signed for each unit listed in section 5.

The question paper and marking crib are controlled assessment materials and are not published. They are held in the candidate's evidence file and are available for inspection by site management on request.

3. Practical assessment: what was completed

Structured exercises, each marked against observed performance criteria. Every criterion must reach COMPETENT. Any dangerous act terminates the assessment.

1. Exercise 1, pre-use inspection and preparation (Units 4904, 1072, 4903): carry out a full walk-round check to the manufacturer's specification, identify principal components, controls and terminology correctly, check lifting accessories, the hook safety catch and attachment security, check hydraulics, boom, hoses and rams for leaks or damage, confirm the rating plate is present and legible for the configuration to be used, record checks and report defects correctly
2. Exercise 2, set up and configure for lifting duties (Units 4907, 4908): assess the site for ground bearing, slopes and banks before deploying the stabilisers, identify overhead hazards such as power lines and underground hazards such as services and voids, deploy and lock the stabilisers fully with partial extension only on manufacturer authorisation, match the rating plate/RCI configuration to the planned lift, set an exclusion zone for pedestrians and other site traffic
3. Exercise 3, travel and manoeuvre (Units 4905, 4906): carry out correct pre-travel set-up with the boom stowed, load secured and mirrors/controls checked, manoeuvre in confined spaces without contact, use a banksman or signaller when reversing, maintain a safe distance from trenches, excavations and pedestrians, control speed and position to suit ground and site conditions
4. Exercise 4, lift, slew and place loads (Units 4909, 4910, 4911, 4912): plan the lift from the rating plate/RCI (weight, radius, configuration), select and check lifting accessories for SWL, condition and sling angles, carry out a trial lift and confirm the load is supported, level and secure, slew and place the load smoothly looking ahead of the load, respond correctly to RCI warnings and to a 'STOP NOW' instruction, manage un-balanced or awkward loads without excessive swing
5. Exercise 5, shutdown, securing and highway preparation (Unit 4913): clear the load bed of loose material after unloading, secure the attachment and check the boom height before highway travel, fully retract, fold and lock the stabilisers before highway travel, isolate and secure the vehicle and remove the key on leaving the cab

4. Assessment decision

Having examined the candidate's theoretical knowledge and observed their operating skills against the criteria above, the assessor deemed Fred Bloggs COMPETENT within the stated scope, and the qualification was awarded in August 2026.

The decision trail, meaning the questioning records, the marked handwritten test paper and the signed practical checklists, is held in the candidate's evidence file, retained for the life of the certificate plus three years, and is available to site management for verification on request.

5. Units assessed

Ref	Unit title
1072	Health, Safety and Security at Work
4901	Operator Roles and Responsibilities
4902	Regulations and Legislation
4903	Principal Components, Controls and Terminology
4904	Pre-Use Checks
4905	Pre-Travel Set-Up and Travelling the Vehicle
4906	Manoeuvring in Confined Spaces

4907	Configure for Lifting Duties
4908	Hazards: Underground and Overhead Services
4909	Rated Capacity Indicator for Lifting Duties
4910	Lifting Loads: Radius, Slewing and Swing
4911	Moving Un-balanced Loads
4912	Lifting Accessories
4913	Shutdown and Securing Procedures

Unit references are PHW Services internal references. They identify the units of competence assessed; they are not awarding-organisation unit numbers.

6. For site management

- This statement evidences basic and job-specific training. Site-specific familiarisation and the employer's written authorisation to operate are separate and remain the employer's duty.
- This qualification records the training and assessment PHW Services carried out. It is evidence the employer can rely on when meeting its own duty under PUWER 1998 regulation 9. Whether that duty is met remains a matter for the employer.
- Refresher and reassessment is recommended at three to five years, or sooner following an incident, a near miss, a change of machine or a prolonged break from the work.
- To verify: contact Adrian Whetton at PHW Services quoting the operator name and the certificate reference shown above.

Operator training and the law

The page below holds this qualification in full: the certificates, the theory and practical assessment record, and the legal position on operator training.



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Assessor name and signature	Date	Company stamp (optional)

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