

Tees Valley Local Authorities work together to ensure that there is a standard approach to the construction and maintenance of highways throughout the Tees Valley. The relevant specifiers and clients meet regularly to update and amend the Residential and Estates Specification and the Highway Maintenance Specification.

The Tees Valley Group comprises of the following local authorities:

Darlington Borough Council
Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council

Hartlepool Borough Council
Stockton Borough Council

Middlesbrough Council

It is the policy of the Tees Valley Authorities to use suppliers and contractors who have adopted, maintain and operate a recognised quality assurance scheme. The recognised QA schemes are as follows

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1. National Highways Sector Scheme 16 - Laying of Asphaltic Concrete and Hot Rolled Asphalt
2. National Highways Sector Scheme 14 - Supply of Asphaltic Concrete
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Approved List of Suppliers of Recycled Aggregates (separate document)

3. Supply of Recycled Aggregates to WRAP Protocol

If a contractor wishes to be included on the approval lists, contact Jackie Hutchinson, Laboratory Services on 01642 239070 for further information.

Quotation from UKAS detailing some of the benefits and risks of not using Quality Assured Suppliers and Contractors

... For Government

There are many duties placed on government departments, local authorities and other agencies to ensure that trust is maintained. Whether it be health, water quality, food, consumer goods or transport safety, for example, the public sector provides the framework for the assurance that goods and services are safe and the environment we live in is clean and secure.

UKAS is already in collaboration with a range of government departments that are now developing schemes to either raise standards or implement new ones as a means of increasing public confidence.

Particularly, UKAS can reduce the need for each government department to employ its own specialist assessment resource. Using the accredited route has the advantage of a single transparent and repeatable approach. Over time this should improve consistency, resulting in better risk management. At the same time it should eliminate the cost of reinventing the wheel, thus contributing to the drive for open and modern government.

Accreditation by UKAS can also limit the need for government to regulate industry and the professions. It provides an alternative means of ensuring the reliability of activities that have the potential to impact on public confidence or the national reputation.

UKAS, where requested, assesses organisations and recommends to government their appointment as Notified Bodies as required by EU Directives and Regulations.

The risks associated with not using UKAS accredited evaluators include:

- Product failure as result of relying on invalid test results
- Increased costs caused by inaccurate measurement (as a consequence of poorly calibrated equipment)
- Legal action arising from inadequately inspected equipment resulting in accidents
- Rejected tenders and orders by not being able to support products claims with a UKAS accredited certificate or test report

**1) National Highways Sector Scheme 16 – Approved List
LAYING OF ASPHALTIC CONCRETE AND HOT ROLLED ASPHALT**

CONTRACTOR	Accreditation Body	SECTOR 16 APPROVED	ORIGINAL REGISTRATION	EXPIRATION OF ACCREDITATION
Aggregate Industries UK Ltd: Bardon Contracting	BSI Management Systems	Yes	01/11/1988	10/11/2019
ii) Applebridge Construction, Tarcon Ltd	Ocean Certification	Yes	20/11/2017	18/02/2021
Cemex UK Construction	BSI Management Systems	Yes	13/04/1995	06/03/2022
Colas	BSI Management Systems	Yes	01/04/1989	04/06/2020
Debmat Surfacing Limited	QA International	Yes	06/03/2014	18/02/2020
Excel Surfacing Ltd	LRQA Business Assurance	Yes	06/01/2017	03/10/2019
iii) Francis W Construction Ltd	Ocean Certification	Yes	24/10/2017	14/05/2021
iii) Francis W Groundworks Ltd	Ocean Certification	Yes	24/10/2017	14/05/2021
Fred Mence (Construction) Limited	Alcumus ISOQAR Limited	Yes	10/04/2014	17/06/2020
Groundworks Direct Ltd	Ocean Certification	Yes	15/05/2019	14/05/2022
Hanson Contracting	CPC Construction Products Certification	Yes	01/07/2012	31/12/2019
Lane Rental Services Ltd	PTS Limited	Yes	04/08/2009	22/01/2022
M Spence Surfacing Ltd	Ocean Certification	Yes	30/10/2015	28/06/2021
Miles Macadam Ltd	Alcumus ISOQAR Limited	Yes	20/10/1996	28/10/2019
North East Concrete Ltd	BSI Management Systems	Yes	11/06/2014	12/06/2020
Northumbrian Roads	Alcumus ISOQAR Limited	Yes	25/08/1995	25/08/2019
i) Rainton Construction Limited	QA International	Yes	10/05/2006	17/05/2020
Specialist Surfacing Ltd	BM TRADA Certification	Yes	23/11/1995	07/04/2021
Tarmac National Contracting Limited	BSI Management Systems	Yes	01/05/2008	24/09/2019
Til-Ex Ltd	BM TRADA Certification	Yes	13/02/2013	13/02/2022
Toppesfield Ltd	BSI Management Systems	Yes	09/06/2010	09/06/2022
Total UK Resources Ltd	Ocean Certification	Yes	30/10/2015	13/05/2021
Wearmouth Construction	Ocean Certification	Yes	18/12/2015	17/12/2021
Youll Construction Ltd	QA International	Yes	18/05/2010	17/05/2020

- i) Sherburn Stone has been taken over by Tynedale Roadstone, the surfacing dept of which is Rainton Construction.
- ii) Applebridge Construction have taken over ND Liversidge and their surfacing dept are now Tarcon Ltd
- iii) Francis W Groundworks/Construction Ltd have bought out John Spence Ltd

**2) National Highways Sector Scheme 14
SUPPLY OF ASPHALTIC CONCRETE AND HOT ROLLED ASPHALT**

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