

Shiregroup lead the way for the Inspection and Testing of Plant and Equipment

Providing safe access for inspection and testing can be an issue in some areas. To ensure that weedscreen cleaners pass a LOLER¹ inspection requires close inspection of both the supporting elements of the structure and the trolley/grab assembly. After long discussion on the subject it was agreed the only safe way to carry out these inspections is with the aid of a cherry picker. It is difficult to quantify using any other means of access (i.e. ladders) for this work to be carried out safely and effectively.



¹ LOLER also requires that all equipment used for lifting is fit for purpose, appropriate for the task, suitably marked and, in many cases, subject to statutory periodic 'thorough examination'. Records must be kept of all thorough examinations and any defects found must be reported to both the person responsible for the equipment and the relevant enforcing authority.