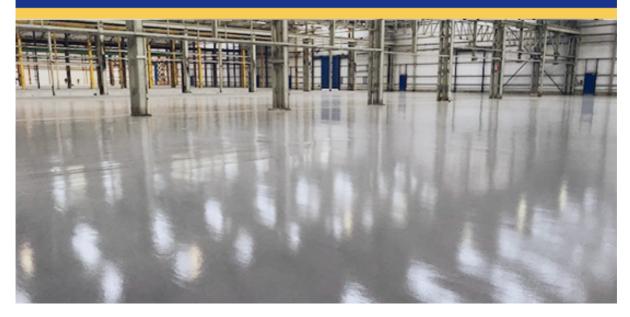
FeRFA E-Newsletter



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CORONAVIRUS (Covid-19)

Please find us on social media @FeRFAResin or go to our dedicated webpage to follow the latest in Coronavirus (Covid-19) updates. The information is constantly changing and we will keep you updated regarding all the latest information.

We hope you all stay safe during these uncertain times.

TRAINING NEWS

We have been working closely with our members, partners and CITB to get our training programme safely back on track as quickly as possible. As a result, we now have one training date confirmed, with other dates to be released in due course.

Upcoming training dates: Resin 23: Assessment period

Resin 24 Module 11: 6-7th October, The Preparation Group (Lincoln) Resin 24 Module 12: 8th-9th October, The Preparation Group (Lincoln)

Resin 25 Modules 1-3: 20-21st October, The Preparation Group (Lincoln)

FUNDED TRAINING PROGRAMMES

FeRFA PartnersTraining & Assessment Consultants Ltd are providing Level 3 and Level 6 courses fully funded to CITB Levy payers.

> Level 3: NVQ Occupational Work Supervision (date TBC) Level 6: CCO General (taking place 7-8th September)

> > Contact Louise at TAC for more information

ASSOCIATE SPOTLIGHT

This month, FeRFA are highlighting three more of our Associate members. Associate members are companies who are involved indirectly with the manufacture, application and maintenance of resin flooring such as Surface Preparation Plant Suppliers, Chemical Suppliers to Manufacturer members, floor cleaning machinery suppliers, test houses etc.



For over 25 years, HTC has been the pioneer in developing more effective methods to grind, polish and maintain concrete floors. The range includes the newest generation of floor grinders, from the Duratiq T5 to the Duratiq 8, these machines have set an entirely new standard for reliability, precision and control. They have a unique combination of intelligence and raw power matching the requirement and expectation of professional users and specialists all over the world.

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GEVEKO MARKINGS

Geveko Markings The Resin Mill are a specialist manufacture and supply road, line, decorative and skid resistant markings to markets around the world. Based in Dorset UK, Geveko is a leading manufacturer of decorative resin surface systems. Geveko Markings are able to supply all the materials required to create stunning resin bound and bonded surfaces. Geveko's resin paving systems provide durable and attractive surfacing solutions that are cost-effective alternatives to other paving products. 01963 362640 sales@gevekomarkings.co.uk Click here for more info.



For 2021/22, CITB has proposed a 50% reduction in the Levy, as well as raising the threshold at which companies are liable for Levy from £80,000 to £120,000. CITB has released an online Levy Calculator to provide a guide to what your Levy may look like, and payment will be taken in six instalments between September 2021 and February 2022. In anticipation, CITB is forecasting a drop in income of £166 million over the next two years, which will have a significant impact on the grants available for training and qualifications. CITB is also looking to reduce its own costs and has started a formal consultation with trade unions and employee representatives which is expected to result in 110 redundancies, as well as the amalgamation of its partnerships and apprenticeships teams.

Setting up interest-free direct debit for your 2019 CITB Levy Assessment Notice

To benefit from the extended period of interest-free direct debits, you will need to complete and return the direct debit mandate that will accompany the 2019 Levy Assessment Notice.

The first direct debit instalment is due by 28 September 2020. Existing direct debits will automatically switch to the new instalment plan.

More information can be found here. If you have an estimated Levy payment or need guidance on what to do, please click here.

New short duration Pandemic Standard & supporting eCourse

CITB has developed a full Pandemic Standard with a FREE eCourse to follow in October.

The nationally recognised certification will provide information on how to keep staff and customers safe, how to control the spread of a virus and an understanding of the requirements placed on businesses during a pandemic.

The 'Setting up and operating a safe construction site during an epidemic or pandemic' Standard has been rated as Grant Tier Zero, meaning it is not grant supported. Designed for managers and supervisors, but available to anyone wanting this certification, the free eCourse will be hosted on the CITB eCourses platform when it launches in October.

You can find more information about the Standard here.



Construction Talent Retention Scheme

The CLC's recently launched Construction Talent Retention Scheme is a free online portal matching employers that have job opportunities with individuals looking for employment in

the industry. There is a growing pool of candidates and, if you are looking to recruit, please register and add your vacancies, including any apprenticeships. This is a great way for the sector to help itself and keep hold of the people and skills it has invested in.

Site Deliveries

Construction sites are reminded that delivery drivers must have access to suitable toilet and handwashing facilities and should be made aware of the social distancing arrangements in place. The legal responsibility to provide access to these facilities lies with whoever controls the premises that drivers are visiting.

Working From Home

With companies looking at how they return to the office whilst maintaining the benefits realised from working from home, a recent report has revealed that people will do an extra month's work each year and gain the equivalent of almost 26 days in time off if they maintain habits developed during coronavirus. An average of 84 minutes a day has been saved by not commuting to and from the office, which has been split almost evenly between work and leisure. As part of the Construction Leadership Council's (CLC) work on retaining people in the industry, Build UK is working with Timewise and four 'pioneer' Contractors to understand how we can introduce more flexible working arrangements into construction.

Read more updates on Build UK's website

MEMBER BENEFITS CONTRACT REVIEW SERVICE



CONTRACT AND LEGAL SERVICES

FeRFA have partnered with BEB Contract & Legal Services so that as a member of FeRFA, you will get 10% off their Bronze, Silver and Gold packages for bespoke, robust contracts.



Contact BEB on 01604 217365 or email info@bebconsultancy.co.uk and quote FeRFA10 to get started.

BEB are passionate about protecting businesses with watertight contracts. It's what they do, day in, day out. Their approach is hands-on so they'll find out as much as they can about what your business does, how you work and any problem customers you may have had – because it's only when talking about those practical, real-life issues you've

encountered that BEB get to really understand how to protect you from those things happening again, in your Ts & Cs.

BEB can help with:

- Terms and conditions
- Sub-contractor agreements
- Shareholder agreements
- Manufacturing and distribution agreements
 - GDPR and privacy policies
 - And much more

OR are you signing contracts you don't really understand? BEB offer a unique review service where they will check and confirm if the contract you've been sent:

- Protects you fully
- Is clear and unambiguous
- Contains clauses that could be risky for your business

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COBRA Bespoke Insurance Service



COBRA Insurance Brokers have partnered with FeRFA for over 10 years, gaining specialist knowledge and an understanding of the protection needed for the resin flooring industry. The website, designed specifically to support FeRFA members and their business activity, is now available at www.ferfainsurance.co.uk. The website covers all aspects of insurance, risk management and guarantees, as well as a client login portal where you can view your policy documents. FeRFA members can also request free access to a vast library of resource material.

COBRA offer a free insurance health check plus no obligation quotes. Howard Collins can be reached on 07775 888933 or emailed at howard.collins@cobrainsurance.co.uk or visit the website.

FeRFA and COBRA are excited to offer a facility which gives all your resin floor protection with an INSURANCE BACKED WARRANTY. The scheme has been set up so that all your customers benefit from the security of an Insurance backed warranty once you are signed up. You pay an upfront premium based on your annual turnover and then simply register each resin contract online when completed.

Read more.

H&S Advice and Business Shield from Stallard Kane Associates



Stallard Kane Associates Ltd provide a support service to SMEs for both Health & Safety and Employment Law. FeRFA members can access its services for free via the Business Shield. All FeRFA members have FREE access to the Business Shield service giving you:

- FREE access to the FeRFA Business Shield online portal
- FREE and unlimited use of the 24hr hotline
- FREE one hour review of your daily activity and associated risks
- FREE one hour review of your existing employment contracts.

The dedicated FeRFA Business Shield Account Manager is Barry Nicol, please call him on 07854 938693 for more details.

Read more about Stallard Kane here.

FeRFA Recycling Scheme - are you taking part?



FeRFA partners **Reconomy** can assist you to reduce your total waste management costs, increase your landfill diversion, ensure compliance, under current Environmental Agency legislation, maintain consistency and best practice across all sites and back-office functions. Contact Reconomy on 0800 834 133/01952 211790.

If you are not already submitting your recycling data to FeRFA please start doing this now to qualify for the recycling logo within your FeRFA website entry.

It is easy to do using the datasheet (if not using Reconomy) - only two figures are needed per month - total weight collected and total weight recycled or recovered. This is information that should be provided by your waste collector. If it isn't then ask them why not. The spreadsheet includes a graph, automatically generated from your figures - which you can show to prospective clients

More details on the recycling initiative are here. You can also read Reconomy's brochure here.

SITUATIONS VACANT

Remmers UK: Technical Area Sales Manager





Star Uretech: Technical Sales Coordinator

MEMBERS' NEWS FOSROC JOINT SEALANT SELECTION

Although a relatively small budget component of a flooring project, when sealant works fail, the repercussions and access costs can be extreme – which makes the correct selection of joint sealant very important. Fosroc can advise on the correct product for your application from their range of joint sealants.

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CASE STUDIES

Full Floor Installations at Bonus Arena, Hull

Floor & Wall Ltd were chosen by BAM Construction to install the car park coatings and all resin floor finishes within the venue itself.





New Floor Installation At New Laboratory Testing Facility in Manchester

A brand new, state of the art medical testing facility was being built in Manchester. John

Lord was chosen to install high-performance flooring for the facility, working to an extremely tight timescale. The site will process and provide results for medical tests for employees of a major global corporation and is currently one of only two in the world.

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MK:Centre MSCP Development

After a technical procurement process, Floor & Wall Ltd were chosen to carry out a large scale waterproof deck coating and new expansion joint package for the MK:Centre, as part of a £30 million multi storey car park development.

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MEETINGS & EVENTS

The Flooring Show Moves to 2021

The Flooring Show has announced that it is moving dates to 28 February - 2 March 2021 at the Yorkshire Event Centre (YEC) in Harrogate.

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