

PAS 2012 Technical Interpretation		Interpretation number	007
Title	Minimum character size for tail lift Safe Working Load markings		
PAS Version	2012 : 2015		
Clause(s)	5.4.5.5		
Enquiry	The requirement in 5.4.5.5 is for the Safe Working Load to be marked in characters at least 15mm high on a tail lift. However, some commercially available tail lifts do not comply with this requirement. As the markings on a tail lift are outside the control of a WAV manufacturer, can this requirement be relaxed?		
Decision	Yes, this requirement can be relaxed. The requirement was carried over from BS 6109, but most mass-produced tail lifts available today conform to BS EN 1756 instead (which contains no similar requirement for marking)		
Rationale	It is not fair to expect a WAV converter to be able to exercise sufficient control over a tail lift manufacturer to demand this change and as BS EN 1756 is already widely accepted, it makes little sense to impose it in PAS. At the next review, the PAS will be amended to remove the requirement.		
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