

Focus on

Winter Safety Management for Greene King Fine Ales



Problem Identified

The Greene King Fine Ales Brewery in Bury St Edmunds employs approximately 950 personnel and covers a 45 acre site. The Brewery serves 2,340 public houses nationwide and runs part of its logistics operations from this site. A production site and workforce of this size can pose a number of health and safety challenges. This was particularly true for Greene King during winter months when snow and ice sometimes made pathways, car parks and access roads hazardous for employees, visitors and vehicles on the site. The gritting methods used by the company's maintenance staff were relatively slow, and it could often take a whole morning to make the site safe. After reviewing the situation, Adrian Goodwin, the Facilities Safety and Maintenance Manager decided to look for a new solution to the company's winter safety needs.

Solution

Mr Goodwin had previously purchased litter bins from Glasdon and was aware of the range of winter safety equipment offered by the company and he approached Glasdon for product advice. A representative visited the site and gave recommendations on possible solutions. Following this, Greene King purchased a range of winter safety equipment to meet their specific safety management needs. The brewery selected the following products:

Cruiser Turbocast 300™

A manual broadcast gritter which spreads damp, dry or wet material with minimum effort. The unique spinning mechanism spreads grit to a width of up to 7 metres with minimum effort, making this ideal for use in car parks, loading bays and on access roads. Cruiser Turbocast 300 is easy to manoeuvre, even when fully laden.

Cruiser™ Manual 50

A manual drop grit/salt spreader which can spread damp, dry or wet material. The slimline design of Cruiser 50 makes it ideal for gritting footpaths and pavements. A continuous rippling action within the hopper ensures the gritting material does not clog.

Slimline™ Grit/Salt Bins

Ideal for protecting gritting materials from the elements, Slimline Grit/Salt bin is ideal where space is limited. Manufactured from tough, weather-resistant, Durapol®* material, the bin has a large, easy access aperture.

Resulting Benefits

Staff have found the Cruiser Turbocast 300 and Cruiser Manual 50 units easy to use, allowing the whole site to be gritted quickly and efficiently. Control settings on each of the units allow measured dosing which eliminates waste and ensures economic spreading. The Slimline Grit/Salt Bins keep gritting materials safe and dry, and the compact design has allowed the bins to be sited in all areas where easy access to gritting materials is required.

The products purchased by Greene King have greatly improved the winter safety management operation on site. The efficient gritting process can now be completed by maintenance staff in two hours, saving time and money. This also means that the site can be safely gritted before employees, visitors and vehicles arrive, reducing the hazards caused by snow and ice.

What the customer says

“The Cruiser Turbocast 300 and Cruiser Manual 50 gritting machines have greatly improved the effectiveness of our winter safety strategy. The units have made the gritting process much easier for our operators, improving efficiency and saving the company time and money.”

Adrian Goodwin, Facilities Safety and Maintenance Manager.

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