

What areas does the LTA Scheme cover?

The LTA scheme covers all aspects of engineering in the landbased sector:



Agriculture:

- Arable
- Precision in farming
- Livestock
- Crop drying



Amenity:

- Professional Turf Care
- Groundscare
- Irrigation
- Landscaping



Horticulture:

- Nurseries
- Environmental control
- Crop processing
- Harvesting



Forestry:

- Timber harvesting
- Amenity
- Energy
- Processing



Environment:

- Energy
- Amenity
- Monitoring
- Waste processing



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Who are members of the LTA Scheme?

The following companies are part of the LTA scheme:



The LTA scheme is endorsed by the UK Government's Health and Safety Executive (HSE) who state:

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) commends the use of this type of Scheme to those who have duties under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, as it promotes awareness of health and safety, high standards of training and adoption of good practice within businesses involved in the machinery and equipment supply chain and, ultimately, amongst the customers they serve.

In addition the National Farmers Union and leading insurance companies such as the NFUMutual, Towergate, BiB and Farmers & Mercantile have endorsed the LTA scheme and fully support its aims.



Customers

Landbased Technician Accreditation Scheme

Want to be sure that your machinery is being serviced by the best in the industry?

Employ professionals registered under the LTA scheme

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The Dynamics of Change

Look at how the use of land for farming, horticulture, forestry and amenity has evolved over the past century. The underlying science may not have changed much but the application of this science has.

Then look at the speed of developments in the related machinery industry over the same period - a speed of development which is ever accelerating.

New technology, complex systems, all mean a need for a wider variety of skills and more efficient ways of working - not just for your operators but for the technicians who maintain, repair, and train your staff on the equipment.

This in turn means you, the customer, need to have confidence in not only the product but in those who are key to the optimal use of one of your major investments - your equipment.

By ensuring that your kit is being repaired and maintained by highly skilled professionals who have attended specific training related to your equipment, you can be re-assured that you are maximising the return on your investment.



Look for the LTA logo for this reassurance.



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What is the LTA Scheme?

Developed, with the backing of the major manufacturers of agricultural, horticultural, forestry and ground care equipment, the **Landbased Technician Accreditation scheme (LTA)** is administered by **IAgrE** on behalf of the industry.

The scheme provides a common means of benchmarking, monitoring and assessing the competence of technicians and others employed within the sector. The **LTA** scheme also provides encouragement and recognition for both employers and technicians and other employees who voluntarily commit to continual professional development in pursuit of technical support excellence.

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LTA Technicians are registered at four tiers:

- **LTA 1** - for Apprentices (on recognised programmes) or more skilled/mature entrants not yet otherwise assessed and categorised.
- **LTA 2** - Assessed skilled technicians will form the core of this group. Recently qualified and experienced technicians meeting the required criteria may also qualify
- **LTA 3** - A skilled & experienced technician who has successfully attended a series of assessed course programmes - may be a product specialist.
- **LTA 4** - A highly skilled and experienced technician, who has completed a rigorous assessment programme, to prove their fault finding, diagnostic and customer mentoring skills. In addition, a specific ongoing training schedule is designed to keep the technician updated with the latest technology.

What does the LTA scheme mean for you The Customer?

Public Trust

- LTA is an independently accredited scheme with regular skills updating and testing underpinned by all the major manufacturers.

Public Confidence

- LTA is an independently accredited scheme with regular skills updating and testing underpinned by all the major manufacturers.
- By selecting a Dealer with LTA registered technicians, you are guaranteeing that your equipment servicing and repair will be to the highest standard.

Professional Identity & Integrity

- All LTA registered technicians are highly skilled professionals. Those registered at LTA3 and LTA4 are also recognised by the landbased engineering sector's professional body, IAgrE, and registered as Engineering Technicians with the Engineering Council (UK).
- All LTA registrants adhere to a code of conduct similar to those in other professions.
- Registration means that customers and the public can be confident in the abilities of LTA registered technicians.



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