



Road Surface Treatments Association

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Sustainable Renewal; **Saving Carbon**; Cost-effective,
Long-Lasting Solutions

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RSTA membership

RSTA members includes international, national and regional contracting companies, local authority direct service organisations, testing, material and equipment suppliers. RSTA members are encouraged to operate to the National Highway Sector Scheme 13 or BBA/HAPAS product certification and approved installer's scheme.

Membership of RSTA offers many benefits including:

- Representation on key industry committees
- Networking with client bodies, industry colleagues and suppliers
- Participation in industry level research and development
- Development of industry codes of practice and sector schemes
- Promotion of member products and services
- Annual industry dinner and conference
- Training courses and seminars
- Apprenticeship schemes leading to NVQ awards
- RSTA is recognised by the National Highway Sector Scheme as the only route through which member companies can obtain endorsed CSCS cards as demanded by Sector Scheme 13 for Surface Treatments

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For a full list of RTSA members visit: **www.rsta-uk.org**



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The Road Surface Treatments Association (RSTA) is the focal point for the road surface maintenance industry. It was formed following the merger of the Road Surface Dressing Association, the High Friction Surfacing Association and the Slurry Surfacing Contractors' Association in 2008. The RSTA also has a Specialist Treatments Sector which represents companies who offer complimentary road surface treatments such as; re-texturing, patching, road recycling, geosynthetics, skid resistance monitoring and asphalt preservation techniques.

The RSTA aims to:

- Provide the road surfacing industry with a coherent voice
- Represent industry views to government and key stakeholders
- Raise awareness of the range and benefits of road surface treatments
- Promote work force competence and professionalism
- Develop and encourage safe working and sustainability practices
- Champion innovation and best practice
- Contribute towards the development of European Product Standards, National Guidance Documents and Codes of Practice
- Provide liaison between the industry, national and local government, client bodies, standards and regulatory bodies, trade and professional organisations

By achieving these aims, RSTA undertakes to develop the road surfacing industry as a whole.

RSTA members offer a wide range of road surface products and maintenance solutions including:

- Surface dressing
- Slurry-micro surfacing
- High friction and coloured surfacing
- Aggregates and materials
- Plant and equipment
- Binders and sealants
- Testing and surveying
- Rapid patching and reinstatement techniques
- Pavement preservation
- Geotextile and geo-grids
- Re-texturing and grooving
- Soil stabilisation and full depth recycling

Road surface treatments:

The sustainable, safe and cost effective solution

Motorists contribute a massive £45 billion every year to the chancellor in the form of fuel tax, vehicle excise duty and VAT yet only £7.5 billion is invested into the road network. The result of this shortfall is a deteriorating national and local network that is increasingly unable to cope with the demands placed upon it. An efficient road network is fundamental to the economic performance of the UK. Road congestion costs the UK some £20 billion a year. With the Department for Transport calculating that by 2015 traffic will have grown by over 30% compared to 2000 levels the national costs of an inadequate road network can only rise further.

Representing many local authorities, consultants and the vast majority of companies involved in the day-to-day maintenance of the UK's highway infrastructure, RSTA is well placed to understand the problem of under-spending on our roads.

The Association also points out that for road maintenance, repair and renew is a far more sustainable approach than structural reconstruction and replacement.

There is a whole range of innovative surface treatments that can substantially and cost effectively prolong the service life of roads by restoring the texture depth and skid resistance, filling pot holes and sealing the pavement. Road surface treatments provide solutions that are less energy intensive and generate minimum or no waste thus helping local authorities meet their National Indicator 185 and 186 carbon reduction obligations.

Well maintained roads also enable councils to fulfil their obligations to provide road surfaces that are safe with reduced potential for accidents.

In addition, road surface treatments provide considerable cost economies that enable national and local highway authorities to get the best value for their pressurised budgets. Sustainable, safe and cost-effective, road surface treatments offer a win-win solution.



RSTA

Training and Education

An important objective of the RSTA is the continued improvement of the competence of the road surfacing industry's workforce. To facilitate this, RSTA has developed a comprehensive training programme that includes:

- Training courses developed for junior engineers and technicians
- Seminars for engineers and managers
- Pre-season workshops for workforce induction

To keep costs down we will run training courses at the clients premises or off site whichever is preferred.

In addition, RSTA also operates three training centres for training in surface dressing practices and plant. Visit www.rsta-uk.org for information on all training courses.

The RSTA Assessment Centre enables operatives to achieve NVQ Levels 1, 2 and 3 in accordance with the RSTA Golden portfolio's leading to RSTA endorsed CSCS cards as required by National Highway Sector Scheme 13.

RSTA offers the following NVQ's:

- Asphalt Reinforcement
- Road Recycling
- Surface dressing by machine
- Microsurfacing by machine
- Slurry Surfacing by hand
- High friction surfacing by machine
- High friction surfacing by hand
- High friction surfacing hot applied
- High friction surfacing cold applied
- Surface re-texturing
- Velocity Patching

RSTA NVQ qualifications are continually updated to meet the latest industry and EU directive requirements.

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