

Safe Loading Pass Scheme Terminal Checks project update August 2026

Background

The Safe Loading Pass Scheme (SLPS) helps to meet each terminal's obligations under the Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015 (COMAH). This keeps sites safe for all. The last major revision of the scheme was in April 2016. Ten years on and following user feedback, the Management Group feel that it is time to take the scheme forward, ensuring it remains fit for purpose for the next ten years.

Terminal checks are already carried out as part of the ongoing implementation of the SLPS. They are the critical element to ensure that only those road tankers which have passed a SLPS inspection within the previous six months and remain compliant post inspection are permitted entry to a terminal. They provide safety critical checks on equipment and the vehicle and will be used to provide ongoing data on the effectiveness of the scheme, enabling action to be taken to improve safety and ensure continuous improvement.

The project development is complete now complete and will be launched on 15th September 2026.

Overview of the Terminal Check project

Project phase	Description
1. Review	A Working Group has reviewed the existing form and process. The original form contained 35 items to be checked, the new form has just 14, concentrating on SLPS and site-safety items that can be checked visually at ground level (with the assistance of the driver, if available). The check should take around five minutes for anyone who has familiarised themselves with the new manual. A background in tankers or fleet management is not essential. A vehicle will either have no issues found, receive a notification or have failed. A failed check means the SLPS pass is revoked, and the vehicle will not be permitted to continue onto the site to load. The failed item must be rectified and a new SLPS pass issued following inspection. Notifications are given for minor issues that don't currently pose a danger, but which must be rectified by the operator as soon as possible. The revised form and new manual are completed and can be downloaded here (scroll to the downloads section at the bottom of the page)
2. Train	An instructional video for terminal checkers has been produced to support the manual and can be downloaded here
3. Data capture and reporting	System changes will allow terminal check data entry, an App to capture checks in real time and a dashboard for dynamic reporting from 15 th September.
4. Communication	All stakeholders will be advised of changes and given guidance before the enhancements are implemented. The SLPS website will be updated

What this means for you

Terminal organisations

You can download the new terminal check form and manual [here](#) , along with the instructional video [here](#).

For you and your teams to access the SLPS database and App, we will need to set you up on the SLPS database. There is a simple online form for you to complete with details of your organisation, locations and personnel, assigning them with the permissions you choose. Each user will need a unique email address.

The various permissions are summarised in the columns of the table below. The rows show some examples of how you might choose to set up individuals.

Examples of job roles (you will be able to use your own job titles)	Associated with all locations	Associated with specified location(s)	Carry out/input terminal check and look up vehicles/passes	Look up vehicles/ SLPS passes	Set up and manage terminal users on SLPS*	View Terminal Check data
Operator		☒	☒			
Admin Manager		☒	☒		☒	
Terminal Manager		☒		☒	☒	☒
Terminal Operations Manager	☒			☒		☒

*The Scheme Administrator (Logistics UK) will set up and manage your personnel instead, if you prefer

Complete the online form here: [SLPS Terminal Checks - terminal online survey](#) We will provide a User Guide for the applications in the weeks before launch.

Inspection Providers

You can download the new terminal check form and manual [here](#) , along with the instructional video [here](#). We suggest you make your SLPS customers aware of this communication and circulate any future information.

Following roll out in September, Inspection Technicians (or Administrators) will be required input the name of the vehicle operator onto the database when they complete the SLPS pass information (it is already captured on the SLPS Inspection form), along with the trailer C number, which has a new field on the trailer inspection form. We will also be providing the ability to revoke a SLPS pass if, on inspection, your technicians find a failure item that poses an immediate danger to terminals. More details will be provided in the weeks before, including an updated User Guide and new trailer inspection forms.

Fuel tanker vehicle operators

You can download the new terminal check form and manual [here](#) , along with the instructional video [here](#). We suggest that you consider including the check items in your drivers' daily walk around checks (if they are not already included) and informing your drivers through the video ahead of the roll out.

If one of your vehicles receives a notification or failure at a check, your driver will be given a hard copy of the check and instructed to hand it to you. There will also be an option for you to be automatically informed by email. There is a simple online form for you to complete with your details here: [SLPS Terminal Checks - vehicle operator online survey](#)