



WINCANTON INSTALLS SALVO ACROSS WHOLE SITE

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Leading European supply chain management company Wincanton has adopted Castell's drive-away prevention system Salvo across its entire Gloucester site.

Wincanton conducted an in-depth survey of current anti-drive-away methods before deciding that Salvo was its best option. Among the rivals dismissed were axle-restraining and plate systems – both of which proved cost-prohibitive and procedurally complex – and an electrical approach that failed to immobilise the trailer.

“Ultimately, Salvo offered us a robust, cost-effective solution that our workforce had faith in”, says Mark Ford, Assistant General Manager at the site. “Our warehouse staff are now more comfortable in their working environment and our drivers have taken to the system quite readily.”

Wincanton already operated a traffic light system in conjunction with radio communication between shunters and loading bay operatives, but felt that introducing Salvo would eliminate any potentially fatal human error.

Once a trailer has been reversed up to the relevant bay, the shunter removes the emergency air line and fits the Salvo lock to the air line coupling. This action releases a uniquely-coded Castell key from the end of the lock, which the shunter then inserts into an electrical switch located next to the bay door. Turning the key powers up the bay, allowing the warehouse operative to raise the door and position the dock leveller, ready for loading or unloading to begin.

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