

It's all in the granules! Big Wipes Power Gel keeps you grime free on site

Most days can be messy days when you're out on site, but with the Big Wipes Power Gel, tough grime can be quickly shifted, so you can leave the dirt at work. Big Wipes Power Gel is an all-in-one multi-purpose skin cleaner containing special 'power scrub' granules, which means the Power Gel can remove deeply ingrained dirt and grime 100% faster than smooth gels.

While Big Wipes hand cleaning wipes are perfect for mopping up muck on the go and when water is not available, Big Wipes Power Gel is ideal for an end-of-day deep clean. Simply rub the Power Gel into your hands and let the power granules do their work, then rinse with water and dry your hands. Just a small amount of the Power Gel can easily remove uncured paint (oil, water and hammer finish), adhesives (including adhesive and tape deposits), silicone, epoxy, PU foam, oil, grease and much more from the skin. The fresh citrus scent means hands smell good too, which is important for those tradespeople who, for instance, have to eat lunch on site or meet customers after handling materials.

Big Wipes Power Gel is not just highly effective at intense cleaning, it's also kind to the skin.

For more information about Big Wipes visit www.bigwipes.com



Norbord Announces £95 Million Reinvestment in Inverness OSB Mill

Investment to nearly double mill capacity and secure the future of a key local employer TORONTO, ON and INVERNESS, SCOTLAND (January 28, 2016) – Norbord today announced a £95 million modernisation and expansion of its oriented strand board (OSB) mill in Inverness.

The investment will upgrade the mill to continuous press technology and nearly double its production capacity, positioning it to meet growing demand for OSB in markets across the United Kingdom and Europe, as well as securing the long-term future of its employees and the indirect jobs it provides across the region. The investment is further supported by a development grant from Highlands and Islands Enterprise of up to €15 million.

"Demand for OSB is increasing rapidly and this investment will ensure we can continue to meet customers' needs and remain at the forefront of the European industry," said Karl Morris, Managing Director, Norbord Europe and a Senior Vice President of the company. "Our SterlingOSB product manufactured in Inverness is the UK's leading OSB brand, and with direct road, rail and port access the reinvested mill will be in an even better position to efficiently serve our customers across the UK and in continental Europe.

For further information visit www.norbord.co.uk.



Linde Material Handling launches driver assistance system

Global industrial truck manufacturer, Linde Material Handling, has launched a new driver assistance system to support the safe operation of forklift trucks both in and outside the warehouse.

Linde's new 'SpeedAssist' system helps operators move more safely between the indoor and outdoor areas of logistic centres and production halls by ensuring their speed is reduced when entering the warehouse.

Linde's new system uses modern radar technology which operates accurately regardless of weather conditions. It's response times are fully adjustable as is the difference in speed between indoors and out. The system ensures loads are transported to their destination, while helping to protect employees in the workplace.

Warehouse and production halls often have set speed limits for forklifts and other industrial trucks as entering a working area too fast can endanger employees, or result in sudden braking manoeuvres that can dislodge the load.

For more information please visit www.linde-mh.co.uk



New brochure for Helifix Dixie micro-piles

Helifix has produced a new 12 page technical brochure giving full details of its versatile, high performance, Dixie micro-piles, which are used to rapidly and cost-effectively stabilise buildings suffering from subsidence.

The brochure looks at the benefits of using the innovative, simple, but extremely effective Dixie micro-pile system, such as minimal disturbance to occupants and no spoil removal, and full technical specifications are provided. The main causes of subsidence are also examined and how, following detailed investigations, appropriate repairs are designed based on the damage, the weight of the individual property and the local ground conditions.

A step by step installation process is included in the new literature, complementing Helifix's recently launched animation on the micro-pile system, which can be viewed at www.helifix.co.uk/ videos. Illustrated case studies are also available.

Backed by International Code Council (ICC) certification and conformance to AC308, the International Standard for helical foundation underpinning systems, these well proven and technically advanced micro-piles are the ideal solution for the problem of foundation settlement.

Copies of the Dixie micro-piles brochure, an important new addition to the Helifix technical library, can be downloaded from the website or requested direct from Helifix.
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Grant UK introduces even cleaner 'Blue Flame' technology to its Vortex range

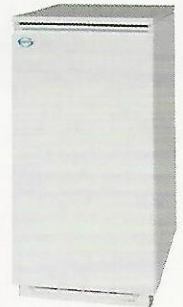
Available in 15 internal, external and combi models with heating outputs from 21kW to 36kW, the new VortexBlue oil-fired boiler from Grant UK combines the company's existing proven condensing boiler technology with a revolutionary new state-of-the-art Riello 'Blue Flame' compact burner.

Using this burner reduces the NOx levels from the boiler to below the new European limit of 120mg/kWh to be introduced in 2018. In fact with this burner the Grant VortexBlue boilers will also meet the even lower NOx emission limits to be introduced in 2020.

As with all Grant products, the VortexBlue gives heating engineers an easy to install product that will provide years of reliable heating with minimal emissions.

"The introduction of the Grant VortexBlue epitomises how modern oil-fired burner technologies can deliver and sustain cleaner, reliable heating," explains Anna Wakefield, Marketing and Corporate Communications Manager for Grant UK. "Our products, including the Vortex oil-fired boilers and renewable technologies, have been market leaders in efficiency, and the VortexBlue is another product which we believe will quickly set the standards in the marketplace."

For more details call 01380 736920 or visit www.grantuk.com.



Infrared heating is the winner when it comes to energy efficiency

Incredibly efficient, highly controllable and requiring no maintenance or servicing, Far infrared heaters typically require almost 40% less energy than conventional 'energy efficient' electric heaters. This is the message from Herschel, the UK market leader in Far infrared heating which provides solutions for many different environments, including homes and commercial premises.

Most electric heating requires around 45 watts per m³, whereas infrared heating needs only about 25 watts per m³. Unlike electrical heaters, which heat the air mainly through convection, infrared heaters heat objects, including people and the fabric of the building itself, making use of the thermal mass of the structure to store the heat. This radiant form of heating means energy is used incredibly efficiently and the heating effect is more comfortable.

Infrared heating is much more comfortable for the building's occupants and does not create drafts like electric convector heaters. The feeling is the same as the pleasant warmth of the sun on your face or the heat from a coal fire.

For further information, please call 01473 760 059 or visit www.herschel-infrared.com



Threat of burglaries keep Brits up at night

Over half of the UK population worry about their houses being burgled on a regular basis, according to new research.

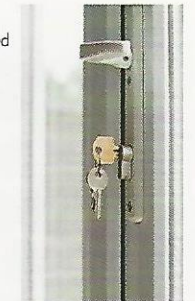
53% of Brits said that they were worried about their homes being broken into, with 47% of these saying it is a regular concern and 6% admitting that they worry about it all of the time.

The study of 1,000 people, conducted by IronmongeryDirect, was undertaken to find out Brits' views on home security and investigate how secure their homes really are. It found that over a third of people (34%) have had their home broken into in the past five years, with 9% of these people having been a victim more than once. And nearly half (43%) knew someone else in their neighbourhood who had been burgled.

Despite these figures, the study found that two-thirds of the population (62%) actually felt safe in their homes, with those living in the North West claiming to feel the safest - 93% said they felt safe. The area that people felt less safe in was West Midlands, with just over a quarter of people admitting they felt safe in their homes.

Wayne Lysaght-Mason, managing director at IronmongeryDirect, said: "Everyone has the right to feel safe in their own home, and although most people do feel safe, a lot of people are still concerned about the threat of burglary."

For more information visit www.IronmongeryDirect.co.uk/home-security



New professional product guide from Richard Burbidge

Timber specialist, Richard Burbidge has published a new professional product guide, which includes full details of its latest timber home improvement products.

The new user-friendly guide contains full product information for Richard Burbidge's extensive timber portfolio, including stairparts, mouldings and decking.

Offering a useful resource for retailers, merchants and trade professionals alike the Richard Burbidge trade guide makes selection and ordering of products quick and easy. The guide also includes striking photography and easy to follow stairpart configuration instructions.

Paul Martin, Channel Marketing Manager for Richard Burbidge said: "The new professional product guide, is an invaluable resource that provides our customers with the information they need in an easy to understand format."

To request a copy of the new catalogue contact your local Richard Burbidge sales representative.

Richard Burbidge is the leading name in timber industry, and is also part of the Archwood Group, which includes sister brands, Atkinson & Kirby and Masons Timber Products, so Richard Burbidge's customers can benefit from exciting cross brand opportunities.
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