BEST PRACTICE

LOCATION:	**Quarry**	**ARTICLE YEAR**	**2006**
ACTIVITY:	**Public Perception**	**COMPANY:**	**Tarmac**
SUB ACTIVITY:	**N/A**	**COMPANY LOCATION:**	**Stancombe Quarry, Somerset**
BEST PRACTICE No:	**BP376**	**COMPANY TEL:**	**01275 512945**
COUNTRY OF ORIGIN:	**United Kingdom**		

TITLE

Safety of vehicles on site

ARTICLE

This quarry has made three distinct improvements to its site:

1) After reading of a fatal injury following the unauthorised use of a 'Bobcat', it was decided that action needed to be taken. An immobiliser was installed and discreetly hidden on the site's vehicles. The immobiliser can only be released by an authorised driver through the use of a unique fob, removing the risk of unauthorised users.

2) The noise produced by a reversing vehicle was considered to be intrusive. So, more discrete white noise reversing alarms have been fitted to small vehicles, which are quiet enough to be used outside an operative's residence in the early hours of the morning, but loud enough to be used in pedestrianised parts of the quarry.

3) A winter working procedure was produced and handed to each worker. Developments in this field include:
? Purchasing a specialised salt spreader
? Placing 20kg bags of rock salt around the site
? Fitting tow hitches to site vehicles to tow the spreader
? Purchasing four hand-pushed spreaders
? Frost alert signs which change colour as the temperature reduces.

ARTICLE IMAGES