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## Paperless Hot Works Permit Control System

The Laing O'Rourke team on C502 have recently implemented a system that produces hot works permits (HWPs) on their 'Priority 1' android based monitoring system. These are then provided to the permit receiver with a waterproof permit and high visibility armband to make recognition of who is in receipt of a permit clear.

Any manager can see who has a permit by using the 'scan' setting over the QR code on their 'Priority 1' tablet to ensure that the permit is in date and that the permit receiver is working within the parameters set out in the permit i.e. location. On the back of the permit are the generic checks that the receiver and supervisor are to carry out and information such as the fire exit locations.

This system also enables the issuer to check that anyone required to carry out any hot work activities is sufficiently trained and deemed competent. The permit is issued to an individual undertaking the hot works rather than the area in which the hot works are to be undertaken.

This will help to prevent situations where those not adequately trained in the use of abrasive wheels, for example, picking up a disc cutter to cut steel as they have no permit. Not only is this unsafe because they have not had the fire risks explained to them but also without the correct training they might injure themselves or those around them or increase the risk of asset damage through fire.



For more information on 'Priority 1' monitoring system please visit <http://www.mobilecomputing.uk.net/>