

# BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF REINFORCEMENT

# RAISING THE BAR



As the focal point for the UK steel reinforcement sector, the British Association of Reinforcement [BAR] is committed to adding value to the reinforcement sector through market and product development, promotion of good industry and health and safety practices and forwarding the development of the reinforced concrete industry as a whole.

It is not just the association that is ready to raise the bar. So too are its producer and fabricator members. In terms of quality, innovation, customer service and investment in reinforcement design efficiency, BAR members aim to lead the field. For a directory of current members visit: [www.uk-bar.org](http://www.uk-bar.org)

BAR has a programme of initiatives and industry representation developed to forward the reinforcement sector. These include:

- **Provision of an industry forum**

BAR provides a forum where common issues facing the sector can be discussed and which provides a single voice of representation to government and industry decision makers.

- **Review and development of industry standards**

On behalf of its members and the UK reinforcement sector, BAR plays an active role in the review and development key standards such as: BS 4449; prEN10080; BS8597; BS8548

- **Provision of CE marking guidance**

There continues to be some confusion as to whether steel reinforcement requires a CE mark. BAR provides guidance on this issue and continues to monitor developments in EN10080.

- **Provision of health and safety guidance**

BAR is currently reviewing and updating its suite of health and safety guidance for the safe off-loading of fabric reinforcement, the safe off-loading of cut and bent reinforcement and the design and lifting of pre-fabricated and fabricated reinforcement cages for piling and walling works. The review is to ensure that the best practice guidance provided is informative and current.

- **Forwarding reinforced concrete solutions**

The association has an active editorial campaign that forwards the construction and performance benefits of reinforced concrete in order to encourage market development and growth.

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**For further best practice guidance on The Safe Off-loading of Reinforcement Fabric, visit [www.uk-bar.org](http://www.uk-bar.org)**



**GIVE YOUR PROJECT A REINFORCED ADVANTAGE**  
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**FOR REINFORCED SUCCESS CHOOSE A MEMBER OF THE  
BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF REINFORCEMENT FOR:**

- CARES APPROVAL
- COMMITMENT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY
- COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY
- TECHNICAL EXPERTISE
- ADDED VALUE
- PRODUCT INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT
- QUALITY PRODUCTS AND SERVICE



**BAR MEMBERS: RAISING STANDARDS. DELIVERING QUALITY**

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