



Machinery Safety

POWER INSPECTION SERVICES

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Introduction

If your business or organization uses work equipment or is involved in providing work equipment for others to use (e.g. for hire), you must manage the risks from that equipment.

At SGS, we offer a Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998 (PUWER) assessment service to inspect industrial machines prior to first use and at suitable intervals thereafter. The review will generate a comprehensive report to identify where any areas of action are required – supplemented with easy-to-follow guidance demonstrating the requirements for compliance.

Our experienced professional assessors deliver in-depth knowledge of plant and equipment, by commissioning well tried protocols to deliver an accurate and dependable inspection service.

PUWER

- To guarantee the safety and appropriate upkeep of the machinery and equipment employers must abide by the Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations. Not only is (PUWER) compliance essential for the safety of your workers but it demonstrates the ethical risk management of business assets.

Applicability

- According to the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974, employers have a duty to maintain the safe operation and prevent deterioration of equipment as laid out in section 2(a): “the provision and maintenance of plant and systems of work that are, so far as is reasonably practicable, safe and without risks to health”. To ensure conformity with the legislation an effective (PUWER) assessment will help employers demonstrate compliance. Everything from simple hand tools to complex, state-of-the-art machinery must comply with (PUWER).
- Both the supply and utilization of work equipment are covered under (PUWER). The term “use” refers to all potential uses.

Typical applications of PUWER for end users could be before first use of equipment, or for maintenance at suitable intervals to ensure subsequent deterioration of equipment does not occur.

How we can help

OUR EXPERTS WILL EVALUATE AND ADVISE ON:

- Suitability of equipment for its intended task
- If it is Safe for use
- If it is being maintained in an efficient working order
- Inspected regularly to confirm all the above
- Used exclusively by people given adequate information, instruction, and training.

SIGNIFICANCE OF COMPLIANCE

(PUWER) non-compliance raises the possibility that your work may cause injury to employees, contractors, or the public.

Contravention of (PUWER) can lead to the same levels of legal action as those imposed by other laws.

The Health & Safety Executive has the power to:

- Serve notices to duty holders
- Stop operations
- Impose fines
- Prosecute employers or other accountable persons

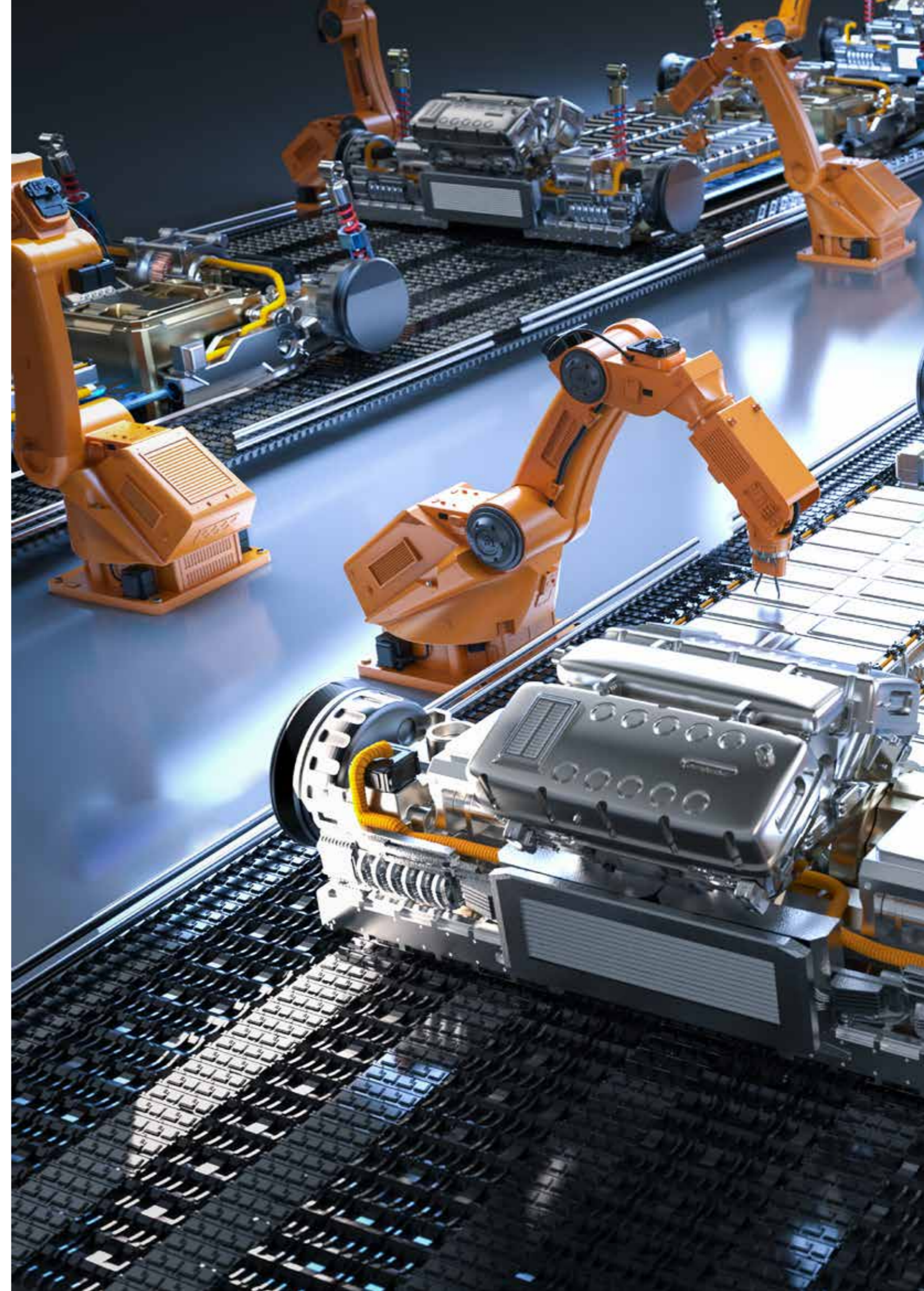
Industries covered

- Manufacturing
- Food and Beverage
- Automotive
- Oil & Gas
- Metal forming
- Pharmaceutical
- Waste Recycling
- Plastics
- Chemical
- Mining
- Electronics
- Renewables
- and more

The SGS commitment

We strive to deliver outstanding value at every step of your training in being committed to add value to your work by providing:

- Rapid turnaround time
- Value-based pricing
- Technical assistance
- Key account management
- Accurate and timely reporting
- Quality and trusted test results
- In long-term partnerships our input will increase the return on your investment.



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