

Swiftclean Accredited within CHAPS

Swiftclean are now registered as an accredited company within CHAS (Contractors Health & Safety Assessment Scheme (CHAS) Accreditation).

Swiftclean Promote a 'One Stop Shop' Industry Guideline

Since the launch of the company with its core business 23 years ago, Swiftclean has made a steady and successful transition into the leading Environmental Services Company it is today.

Development has been part of the strategy for Group Managing Director, Gary Nicholls, who started the business with his friend and business partner, Paul Argles in 1982. Mr Nicholls said: "Over the last 20 years or so, we have seen significant changes in the priorities of those responsible for the maintenance of building services relative to the hygiene of air and water systems. Much of these changes have arisen due to the development and publication of various industry guidance documents, some of which Swiftclean have assisted with".

Today the company boasts offices around the UK, and a strong workforce to serve their impressive client base. Their services specialise in the inspection, cleaning and monitoring of HVAC systems, also focusing on water hygiene and Legionella prevention.

2002 saw the launch of the Midlands Division, now a Limited Company in its own right, headed by Paul Downing.

Having worked together on the HVCA's Drafting Panel for TR/17 – Guide To Good Practice – The cleanliness of ventilation systems, both Gary Nicholls and Paul Downing welcomed the launch of TR/19 in May this year. Paul Downing said: "This new publication amalgamates DW/TM2 with TR/17. TR/19 will effectively become a "one stop shop" and eliminate confusion between designers, consultants, contractors and end users regarding standards of cleanliness on both existing ductwork and new installations".

Exhibiting alongside the HVCA at the London HEVAR event on 5 & 6 October, Swiftclean intend to further promote this comprehensive industry guideline. Gary Nicholls said: "In the past there has been a distinct lack of clarity as to what the responsibilities and requirements have been in terms of ventilation ductwork cleanliness for new installations. This has often lead to contractual dispute and bad feeling between the instructing parties and those installing ductwork. If designers and specifiers use TR/19 to establish this missing clarity then it will be possible for new ventilation systems to begin operation in a clean condition rather than moderately dirty as is often the case. In comparison, it is unlikely that purchasers

of new cars would accept them with 3,000 delivery miles on the clock, so why should purchasers of ventilation systems feel any different about the cleanliness of their newly installed ductwork system?"

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