

## News Article

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### Top Safety Accreditation for Xylem's Bellingham + Stanley brand

Leading refractometer and polarimeter manufacturer Bellingham + Stanley, a Xylem brand, has been awarded accreditation from Safecontractor for its commitment to achieving excellence in health and safety.



"Safecontractor is a leading third party accreditation scheme that recognises very high standards in health and safety management amongst UK contractors and membership is an important part of our customer services," says Kevin Wilson, contracts coordinator at Bellingham + Stanley. "We now have greater access to existing and potentially new customers that are also part of the scheme as they will recognize our ability to work safely whilst visiting their sites" Kevin Wilson continued.

Bellingham + Stanley's **refractometers** and **polarimeters** are primarily used in the food, beverage, chemical, pharmaceutical and other industries to control the concentration of liquid products and also as a test for purity. The instruments provided by Bellingham + Stanley in the United Kingdom, including the **TitroLine® Series of automatic titrators** manufactured by Xylem's SI Analytics brand, often require on-site commissioning, validation and maintenance. Bellingham + Stanley employs over 40 people in its United Kingdom facility, 7 of which are principally involved in the after sales sector.

John Kinge, technical director of Safecontractor said, "Major organisations simply cannot afford to run the risk of employing contractors who are not able to prove that they have sound health and safety policies in place."

"Safecontractor plays a vital role in supporting our clients in meeting their compliance needs, whilst working with their contractors as they progress through the accreditation process."

Under the Safecontractor scheme, businesses undergo a vetting process which examines health and safety procedures and their track record for safe practice. Those companies meeting the high standard are included on a database, which is accessible to registered users only via a website. Client organisations that sign up to the scheme can access the database, enabling them to vet potential contractors before they even set foot on site.

Bellingham + Stanley operate a quality management system in accordance with ISO9001:2008 and have recently been awarded ISO 14001 (Environmental) and OHSAS 18001 (Occupational Health & Safety) and are one of only a few companies in their field to achieve such high accreditations relating to health and safety systems.

### Bellingham + Stanley