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### **SCHMITZ CARGOBULL MAKES ENHANCED SAFETY A STANDARD OPTION**

Schmitz Cargobull has introduced flashing side markers as a standard factory-fitted option as part of its ongoing commitment to safety and in an effort to help protect vulnerable road users.

Although flashing side markers are currently not mandatory on UK roads, Schmitz Cargobull is allowing operators to exemplify best practice by selecting the option when ordering new trailers.

Alan Hunt, Managing Director, Schmitz Cargobull UK, says: "Our industry has a duty to ensure the safety of not only the people working directly in it, but those who might be impacted by the work we do. That's why we've made flashing side markers a standard option on all our trailers. We're giving operators the choice to easily add on safety features that will help protect everyone."

Flashing side markers are fitted along the full length of the trailer to create a much more visible flashing signal than conventional lighting – particularly well suited for urban environments where operators may find cyclists attempting to pass by their vehicle.

They are also a useful addition for operators looking to enhance their FORS certification standard, allowing them to demonstrate to customers their safe operating credentials.

Flashing side markers can be selected at the point of ordering and factory-fitted at Schmitz Cargobull's state-of-the-art facilities in Altenberge and Vreden, with no impact on manufacturing or delivery lead times.

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**Editor's notes:**

Schmitz Cargobull UK and Ireland is a subsidiary company of the German-owned Schmitz Cargobull Group. With an annual production of some 50,000 vehicles and around 5,100 employees, Schmitz Cargobull AG is Europe's leading manufacturer of semi-trailers, truck bodies and trailers for temperature-controlled freight, general cargo and bulk goods. A turnover of € 1,779 billion was reported in the 2015/2016 business year. As a pioneer in the industry, Schmitz Cargobull AG developed a comprehensive brand strategy early on and has consistently established quality standards spanning every level: from research and development, to production, to specialist services such as trailer telematics, financing, spare parts and used trailers.

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