

Press release from Stoneridge

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Stoneridge first past the post with new generation digital tacho

Stoneridge Electronics won the race this week to win the first Type Approval certification for its next generation digital tachograph. This means that it will be the only digitach at the CV Show next week which is fully approved for instant order and fitment.

Operators wanting to benefit immediately from the savings possible from the new device can enjoy a £100 discount by ordering now – meaning a retro-fitted unit can be installed for typically under £800.

Stoneridge's next generation digital tachograph, the SE5000 Exakt™, is designed and manufactured at the company's European headquarters in Sweden and its launch is expected to bring major efficiency gains to the road transport industry. What makes the new digital tachograph different is that it records driving time and non-driving time in segments of a minute versus whole minute sections currently.

Trials under 'real world' operating conditions in the Coca-Cola fleet in Sweden have shown that savings of 45 minutes driving time per day are possible in their typical multi-drop delivery work, a significant amount. This could make the difference between a driver being able to legally complete his delivery route and having to call in a reserve vehicle or driver.

"We are delighted that we have secured No 1 spot in the industry by getting our new generation tachograph to market first", says Amanda Robertson, Stoneridge's UK Marketing Manager. "We've invested heavily to enable our customers to enjoy the benefits of this product more than six months before the legal deadline. Operator trials, in the UK and elsewhere, are proving that there are real benefits to be gained from early fitment. That's why we've developed our Comparison Website for fleets to find out their exact drive time gains."

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