

## **Benefits of 'Vehicle Avoidance Lateral Lights' (VALL's) when fitted to Vehicles and Trailers**

The following benefits are not exhaustive.

### **Benefits to the driver using 'Vehicle Avoidance Lateral Lights'**

- Offers a definitive guide along the sides of the vehicle which can be used by the driver to confirm a safe clearance is being given when passing cyclists
- Helps the driver to see approaching pedestrians, cyclists or other road users that might be attempting to get in close-proximity, along the side of and adjacent to the vehicle when driving in the dark or in poor visibility
- Helps to highlight the vehicle presence if the driver chooses to drive on vehicle side lights - parking lights (not legal)
- Helps to identify the location of kerbs and other roadside furniture when negotiating junctions, roundabouts, rural roads and unlit stretches of motorway in road-works
- Helps the driver when making the mandatory vehicle checks before, during and at the end of the shift by illuminating the sides of the vehicle and the tyres
- Helps the driver when reversing into poorly lit loading bays, parking areas or tightly parked vehicles
- Helps illuminate the vehicle for other road users to see, in the event that the vehicle headlight malfunctions in the dark, where often, with a single headlight working, it may appear to be a motorbike to oncoming traffic. It will give the vehicle context in unlit environments
- Helps identify a tyre malfunction. In the event that the vehicle has a tyre blow-out on the motorway for example, the driver and the tyre fitter have additional light to work in and for oncoming drivers to see. This will help other drivers give additional clearance to be given to the incapacitated vehicle and its attendees
- Helps with vehicle security when stopped in unlit areas
- Helps the driver when stop/starting in urban and rural areas whilst dropping off passengers, negotiating tight spaces when making home deliveries
- If fitted around the driver's cab, helps to illuminate the area directly below the driver's blind-spot, where often car drivers sit when being overtaken. Occasional incidents do happen due to this area not being visible to the driver

## **Benefits to the Company**

The Company may benefit from an increased Corporate Image by administering additional Health and Safety measures towards the well-being and safety of all other road users. This should lead on to improved respect from the public, reduced asset and property damage, reduced insurance claims and so reduced downtime.

The driver is an ambassador for the Company and well-presented vehicle displaying good all-round safety measures for everyone's well-being, is the perfect image that any Organization could wish for!