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**To: All NSI Guarding Gold and Guarding Silver Approved and Applicant Companies**

Dear Colleague

**ANNOUNCING THE INTRODUCTION OF BS 7499:2013**

I am pleased to announce the introduction of BS 7499:2013 "Static site guarding and mobile patrol service – Code of practice". The Foreword shows that the new edition of BS 7499 came into effect on 30 September 2013 and supersedes BS 7499:2007.

We are giving **NSI approved companies** until 31 March 2014 to comply fully with the revised requirements and further details are given in NSI Technical Bulletin 0025, which is available for download from the approved company login area of our website. The Technical Bulletin contains a summary of main changes and also further details on a clause-by-clause basis.

With immediate effect **applicant companies** will be assessed against the 2013 edition.

Hard copies of BS 7499:2013 may be purchased from NSI or from BSI. The cost from NSI is £141.75 per hard copy including discount.

As an alternative, you can gain access to BS 7499:2013 via the on-line subscription to BSI Standards, again from the approved company login area of our website, and the subscription is renewable annually. Whilst the on-line subscription does provide the benefit of low cost access to Standards, there are certain restrictions including one that requires downloads to be held on a single computer, not for example on a company intranet, and another that prohibits printing of Standards. For further information on obtaining Standards please go to our website [www.nsi.org.uk](http://www.nsi.org.uk) or telephone NSI's Maidenhead office on 01628 637512.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries regarding the application of BS 7499:2013.

Yours sincerely

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