



warehouse systems limited



TREMCO case study



Location: Wigan
Client: Tremco Limited
Completed: April 2005

Tremco Ltd are long established market leaders in the manufacture and supply of industrial weatherproofing materials, specialist coatings and adhesives.

Their manufacturing site at Wigan was working at full capacity and Tremco needed to create additional production area.

This was where Warehouse Systems came in. We were approached and asked if we could provide a cost effective solution within the existing factory. The obvious answer was to provide additional space by installing mezzanine floors as the building had the height to accommodate this solution.

However this was not as straight forward as we would have anticipated. Firstly the floors were to be installed above the existing production area where heavy machinery was already in place. This resulted in us having to design column placements around the existing machinery.

We were able to design two floors at a height of approximately 4.5 metres, giving an additional floor space of 512 sq metres. Because of the existing machinery we were

in effect "shoehorning" our floors into place and additionally installation had to take place within a working environment, presenting serious Health and Safety implications. Our installation teams had to work to very rigorous and specific method statements to ensure safety.

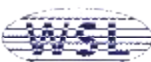
Not only this but as the factory produces highly flammable and toxic products no "hot works", could be undertaken on site. All steel work had to be cut to size prior to delivery to site. Presenting our fabricators with additional work and challenges.

The installation took place over a 2 week period and both floors fitted "like a glove". The project was handled with a minimum of disruption to Tremco, thanks to the cooperation between Tremco and the installation teams. The project was brought in on time, on budget, resulting in Tremco having dramatically increased their production area at a fraction of the cost that a factory move would have involved.

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