

Like BTME & ClubHouse, held every January in Harrogate, all Saltex displays focus on labour and money saving products for the effective maintenance and management of turf and sports surfaces.

More than 15,000 visitors attend the annual three-day event at Windsor Racecourse, Berkshire, where approximately 400 exhibitors display the latest developments in fine turf and sports surfaces; turf maintenance equipment; landscaping; contractors; commercial vehicles; outdoor leisure and facilities and estate management, as well as software and security equipment.

Launched in 1938 as a grounds care show, IOG Saltex has grown in size and stature to cover every aspect of open space management. The show covers every open space profession from groundsmen and greenkeepers to play officers, architects, designers and surveyors.

The Machinery Dealer Village, where dealers and distributors from manufacturers of turfcare machinery and equipment will be able to display their wares, is the latest exciting new feature planned for this year's show. The Dealer Village is designed to enable visitors to inspect and compare a wide range of grounds care machinery and equipment from around the world in one special, dedicated area on the Windsor showground.

The national final of the Skills Challenge Landscape Skills Competition is to be held at Saltex again this year and more finalists than ever will be competing for a possible place at the WorldSkills Competition in Japan, 2007. Four teams of two people will be expected to complete a pre-determined seven metres by seven metres landscape project, from scratch during the three-day show.

The show is open from 9am until 5pm (Tuesday and Wednesday September 5 and 6) and 9am until 4.15pm on Thursday, September 7.

Visitors to IOG SALTEX can register now for their free entry badge at: www.iogsaltex.co.uk or can call the Visitor Hotline on: 0870 429 4524 to order free visitor tickets.



HOW TO GET TO SALTEX

SALTEX is hosted at Windsor Racecourse, which is accessible from the M4, M25, M3 M40 motorways.

BY ROAD:

From the M25:

Leave the motorway at Junction 15, where you'll join the M4, heading west.

From the M4

Westbound - leave the M4 at junction 6, follow the brown signs for Windsor Racecourse or yellow AA signs for IOG SALTEX 2005.

From the M4:

Eastbound - leave the M4 at junction 8/9, follow the brown signs for Windsor Racecourse or yellow AA signs for IOG SALTEX 2005.

BY BUS:

Windsor Express bus number 700 connects London with Windsor. They depart from London Victoria Green Line Coach Station and you alight at Maidenhead Road, a short walk from the Racecourse.

BY RAIL:

You can travel by rail to Slough station from Paddington or the South West, or to Windsor Riverside & Eton station from London Waterloo. There will be a shuttle bus running from near Windsor Riverside & Eton station to and from the exhibition site every day.

In addition, the IOG has introduced a water taxi service for visitors travelling by public transport.

