

AMENITY ASSURED MUST BE MINIMUM STANDARD

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The Chemical Regulations Directorate (CRD), part of the Health & Safety Executive (HSE), has thrown its weight behind the latest Sustainable User Regulations and urged all local authorities to now only use Amenity Assured pesticide users and contractors.

It was a move warmly welcomed by leading treatment specialist Japanese Knotweed Control (JKC) which has long been at the forefront of campaigning for improved industry standards when it comes to weed control practices.

In the increasingly competitive Japanese knotweed treatment market, now awash with hundreds of so called 'experts', choosing a reputable and reliable specialist has become more and more

difficult for local authorities and specifiers, particularly as it is they who have the duty of care responsibility for all contractor work undertaken, and potential liabilities should treatments go wrong.

JKC's Joint Managing Director, David Layland commented: "We've long maintained that the Amenity Assured Standard should be seen as a minimum contractor requirement. It's good to see the CRD and HSE is also now supporting and openly communicating this recommendation to all local authority chief executives."

The Amenity Assured Standard is administered by BASIS.