

## **Press Release**

## ATIEL released two new tools 'Auditor Checklist' & 'Flowchart' to strengthen Lubricant Marketer compliance 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**ATIEL**, the Technical Association of the European lubricants industry, has today released two new tools to strengthen Lubricant Marketers' compliance with the engine oil sequences of the European vehicle manufacturers, ACEA. The tools comprise of an **Auditor Checklist** and **Flowchart**.

The **Auditor Checklist** helps Lubricant Marketers meet the requirements of Section 10.2 of the ATIEL Code of Practice on Auditing and Assessment in supporting both internal and external auditors in reviewing the quality management frameworks within which finished lubricants making claims against the ACEA engine oil sequences, are produced. The checklist can be utilised by external quality management auditors as part of their regular review, or by internal auditors to ensure continued compliance with the framework.

The **Flowchart** is intended as a marketer self-reference tool to support the quality management production process of finished lubricants, from specifying the products performance claims and technical specification at the outset, securing suitable raw materials from accredited or approved suppliers, blending within a quality management framework and finally quality assuring the finished lubricants meet the intended specification.

Commenting on the release of these tools, ATIEL President Marco Digioia said 'these tools form part of a continued improvement process that ATIEL uses to support Lubricant Marketers to meet their obligations under the European Engine Lubricant Quality Management System, or EELQMS. Through education, engagement and support we can help Lubricant Marketers produce consistent finished lubricants that are compliant with the ACEA engine oil sequences.'

Michael Boyer, Director of SAIL the body responsible for compliance monitoring commented' these tools are a step forward in providing support to Lubricant Marketers by aligning with the quality management frameworks that finished lubricants are produced within, ensuring that end users can rely on the performance claims of products making claims against the ACEA engine oil sequences.

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