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## Simple ESDAL FAQs for Structure Owners

*When is ESDAL likely to be complete?*

Phase 3 is working now, and Phase 4 should follow later in 2009, which will complete the original ESDAL project. But there is now talk of a Phase 5 to follow ...

*Will ESDAL then deal with **all** abnormal load notifications made by hauliers and plant operators?*

No, ESDAL will never do this whilst using it is voluntary, and the ESDAL website site states quite clearly that '... there will be no changes to legislation - ESDAL is a tool to streamline the notification process ...'.

*What proportion of abnormal load notifications is ESDAL likely to handle?*

All the indications at present are that most hauliers will continue to contact structure owners direct as they do now. Current notifications through ESDAL are minimal. But as ESDAL becomes easier to use, so more hauliers may be tempted to use it.

*Can we get ESDAL to forward to us the notifications it receives, so that we can manage ESDAL notifications and direct notifications together?*

Yes. After registering with ESDAL you can elect to have ESDAL send all the notifications it receives either by fax or email.

*If we do that, what is then the best way to manage and check both direct and ESDAL notifications?*

Naturally, we would suggest that you use our \*\*\* ABLOADS \*\*\* software, which will integrate, manage and uniformly check notifications from both sources with minimal resource input. And notifications forwarded through ESDAL can be part processed automatically in \*\*\* ABLOADS \*\*\*.