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**JOST GB**

## **More Innovations in the Competence Area of Safety**

***JOST supplies everything that is required for a safe coupling between truck and trailer. The sustained innovative strength of the company continues to ensure its success in the market.***

Since its inception in the year 1952, JOST, in a continuous expansion process, has become the market leader in the area of couplings for trucks and trailers, with a presence in every significant market in the world. The company is, for example, the only provider of fifth wheels and telescopic landing gears that can offer its customers global after-sales service. In addition, the product portfolio includes products like trailer couplings, container technology, ball steering rings, drawbars and many others. Innumerable trucks on all the continents are fitted with components from JOST.

Safety has an important role to play in those areas in which JOST products are used. Therefore, at JOST, quality has top priority. This is backed up by strong after-sales service and the high flexibility of the production and distribution systems. JOST provides active support to its customers in achieving modern production conditions and in fact, sets standards in doing so. Quality as well as after-sales service are both key qualifications for JOST, on the basis of which markets all over the world are mainly serviced from the German head office in Neu-Isenburg near Frankfurt am Main. With the inauguration of a new central warehouse for the European market, this location in the Rhein-Main area has proven itself as a superior logistics hub.

It was on its own strengths that the company grew in the past years. The takeover of the ROCKINGER brand, known for trailer couplings, in the year 2000 provided an additional thrust from the outside. Since the Regensburger Zuggabeln company was also absorbed this year, JOST is able to offer all the important components from a single source and under one qualitative standard.

### **Innovative Interface Technology**

As a market leader, JOST takes on the responsibility for continuous development of the interface technology. The thrust is on the aspects of safety (in the meaning of operational safety as well), functionality and comfort. An example of the innovative conjunction of safety and convenience was the launch of the Komfort-Kupplungs-System or Comfort Coupling System KKS in the year 2004.

The KKS makes it possible to monitor the entire coupling process from the driver's cab safely and reliably, and in addition, provides comfortable operation as well. The repeated getting in and out of the driver's cab, which was a widespread cause of injury, is eliminated. The French employer's liability insurance association promotes the installation of electronically controlled systems like the JOST KKS, because all that is then required is an inspection of the coupling at the end of the coupling process. Here, the Komfort-Kupplungs-System (Comfort Coupling System) saves time and money.

From June 2005, a new lubricating system for low-maintenance fifth wheels will be available in the form of a retrofit kit (JOST LubeTronic), which lubricates the lock for three full years, reliably, uniformly and practically maintenance-free. The efficient use of the consumable material also has some positive ecological consequences. With this product, too, JOST will underscore its reputation as the leading provider world-wide for interfaces between trucks and trailers.

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