

History



In **1969**, Mr Jean GEORGES set up NEO GARAGE, a car dealership in his own name. Most of the vehicles were bought in Belgium and Germany, so after a few years in business it was necessary to rationalise the means of transport to enable large quantities to be imported into France.



In **1974**, the company changed its name to "LES REMORQUES INDUSTRIELLES JIGE". The workforce grew to 6, with sales of 2 million francs.

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In **1976**, a new stage was reached, with production diversifying into recovery towing. A hydraulic sliding platform system was developed and successfully marketed. To improve the growth of its business, a new 2,500 m² factory was acquired in St MIHIEL and 15 additional jobs were created. Given the specific nature of his industrial activity, Mr GEORGES felt that his sales activity was slowing down on the national market and decided to export to Germany, where this type of sophisticated equipment was a real success. It was also in 1976 that the public limited company "LES REMORQUES INDUSTRIELLES JIGE S.A." was created.

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In **1982**, the company's name was changed to "SA JIGE WRECKERS", wreckers meaning tow truck in English, allowing the company's activities to be located abroad.



In **1986**, the company was saturated by demand and, faced with the impossibility of extending its activity on the existing site, a logical response was found in selling half its capital to the LOHR company. Thanks to the financial and technological complementarity of the LOHR group, the company acquired a new factory in REVIGNY sur ORNAIN and more efficient machinery.

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As a result of these export efforts and results, we were awarded the **1993** trophy for the best Lorraine export company in the industry.

In **1995**, the company acquired a factory in LONGEVILLE en BARROIS, along with high-performance production machinery, in a bid to gain control over its mechanical and sheet metal subcontracting, which until then had been scattered across France and abroad.

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In **1996**, the American group MILLER INDUSTRIES of Chattanooga in Tennessee acquired a majority stake in JIGE LOHR, which became JIGE INTERNATIONAL. The MILLER Group exports worldwide under the Holmes, Century, Eagle, Champion, Boniface, Challenger and Vulcan brands and has a turnover of 600 million francs for 600 employees. Through this alliance, JIGE INTERNATIONAL is asserting its position as world leader in the European market, offering customers an unrivalled choice of equipment at unbeatable prices.

Also in **1996**, JIGE INTERNATIONAL formalised and proved its determination to guarantee its customers the very high quality of its products by becoming the first recovery manufacturer in the world to be **ISO 9001** certified.

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In **1998**, as part of its ongoing drive for technological improvement, JIGE INTERNATIONAL introduced proportional distribution on its heavy-duty equipment, giving the operator greater precision in his work thanks to variable speed. The combination of ultra-high frequency and digital electronics has made it possible to design a radio control system at the cutting edge of technology, giving priority to order efficiency and operator safety with real-time transmission.



In **2000** and **2001** JIGE INTERNATIONAL achieved two major commercial successes, including a military contract with the French army for 22 HGV recovery vehicles with Mega City 42 equipment and the Touring Secours Belge for 27 Simplex sliding platform recovery vehicles and Mid City baskets.

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In **2002**, sales rose to 20 million euros for 160 employees.
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At the beginning of **2003**, after more than a year's development, a new range of Simplex sliding trays was launched on the market, featuring an innovative Solematic-type sliding system that provides an unrivalled loading angle with no real added value, thanks to the translation of the tray by a patent-pending hydraulic cylinder with extended stroke.



2005 saw the launch of the Tépématic system, a platform specially designed for heavy-duty vehicles, as well as two options dedicated to HGV recovery vehicles: the new Bonimatic arm and the Top Boom double extension beam.

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2008 saw the launch of a new range of sliding trays. The result is a range of standardised sub-assemblies that are easy to fit to all types of chassis. The wiring harness has a directed connector system that immediately identifies any faults, leaving scope for additional options not provided for at the time of construction.

In **2010**, Jige and Soframe were awarded a contract by the French army for 50 MR30PPLD recovery vehicles.



2011/2012 will see the launch of 2 new Solomatic models and the range of light flatbeds, the Simplex VL 2T.

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In **2013**, the Russian government selected Jigé to supply 10 MEGA 45s for towing and recovery operations at the various Olympic venues in Sochi.

This year sees the launch of the Light City arm, an ultra-light arm designed for the pick-up market.

In **2014**, the design office produced the extra-flat hydraulic basket for the Mid City arms.

Delivery of 5 century 5230 to Renault Truck Défense.

In **2015**, the 10,000th piece of equipment to leave our workshops.

In **2016**, stainless steel edge profiles will be added to the tray range.

From **2019** to **2023**, takeover of the company by Nicolas GEORGES with new buildings at the Revigny and Longeville sites and renovation of the historic site at Saint Mihiel.





CERTIFICATE



This is to certify that

JIGE INTERNATIONAL SA

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with the organizational units/sites as listed in the annex

has implemented and maintains a **Quality Management System**.

Scope:
Design, production and marketing of roadside assistance equipment.

Through an audit, documented in a report, it was verified that the management system fulfills the requirements of the following standard:

ISO 9001 : 2015

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