Lifting Equipment Colour Code Chart 2026

Quality International Certifications (QIC) — EIAC-accredited inspection body IB-125 — verified October 2026

The Rotation (ADNOC-style regimes, UAE)

Step	Colour	When it applies
1	**ORANGE**	After a passed thorough examination
2	**GREEN**	After the next passed examination (6 months later)
3	**WHITE**	After the next passed examination
4	**BLUE**	After the next passed examination — then the sequence repeats
FAIL	**RED (RAL 3028)**	Any failed or rejected item — quarantine immediately, unusable until re-certified

Regimes at a Glance

Regime	Rhythm	Who sets the colour
ADNOC-style (UAE)	Every 6 months: Orange - Green - White - Blue	Site + registered third-party inspector after passed examinations
PDO-style (Oman)	Campaign waves: February/March and August/September	PDO HSE framework + PDO-registered inspection body
Re-code frequency	6 months (accessories) / 12 months (appliances)	Competent person under ISO/IEC 17020-accredited body (EIAC/ENAS)

Verify the Current Colour at YOUR Site — 5 Steps (2 Minutes)

1. Check the facility notice board — the displayed colour outranks any published chart.
2. Read the site lifting procedure — it names the cycle your facility runs.
3. Pull the latest inspection certificates — the current period is on the newest one.
4. Ask the competent person — EIAC/ENAS-accredited (ISO/IEC 17020); ADNOC-approved on ADNOC sites.
5. Cross-check before audits — regulators verify colour against certificates, not memory.

Important

There is no single national calendar colour. The current colour is set by each facility's own cycle and shown at its notice board. This chart summarises the system; the site board and the latest certificates are always the authority. Sling stripe colours (purple/green/yellow) indicate working load limit (1t/2t/3t) — a separate capacity system, not the inspection code.

Source: quality-int-certifications.vercel.app/blog/lifting-equipment-colour-code-chart-2026 — chart re-verified monthly. Inspection and certification: QIC, EIAC IB-125.