
Best Stock Auditing Specialists 2025 – Northern England

Stocktaking is a crucial practice for any business, ensuring that stock is recorded accurately and helping organisations maintain control of their assets. Through regular and accurate stocktaking operations, businesses can better identify discrepancies, optimise supply chains, and enhance profit margins. Championing this philosophy is DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES, a company playing a pivotal role in facilitating improved management and operational effectiveness for clients across the country through unparalleled stock auditing services that ensure better decision-making and reduced loss. We took a closer look at DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES below, as the company is named in the Hospitality Awards 2025.

Losses from a business can result in a variety of reasons, including the use of incorrect measures or glass sizes, failure to maintain beer and dispense systems, incorrect sales figures, delivery shortages, theft of stock or finances, and many more. Therefore, regular and accurate stocktaking is essential for detecting early-stage problems, enabling swift action and the rapid remediation of error. Failure to detect losses and errors can lead to larger problems in the long-term; unsatisfactory gross profit levels can spark enquiries from HM Revenue and Customs, resulting in significant fines, penalties, repayments, and – in the severest cases – imprisonment.

Based in Threshfield, DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES is a licensed stocktaking company providing services throughout the North of England and its surrounding areas. Since its inception over 40 years ago, the company has remained steadfast in its mission to provide a complete and professional service, aid clients in maintaining profits throughout particularly challenging times, and helping to optimise business growth and overall profitability.

Leveraging more than four decades of unrivalled experience, DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES keeps its clients and their unique business needs as its number one priority. The company offers the same friendly and professional service to each client it serves regardless of their size or sector, whether they are a multi-site operator or a single site businessowner. Such clients include pubs and nightclubs, wedding venues, golf clubs, hotels, restaurants, newsagents, off-license stores, and petrol stations.

Whilst DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES serves a diverse clientele, the company operates

primarily within the licensed trade sector. When serving bars, nightclubs, and public houses, the company offers a full and complete service that delivers on-site results and an analysis of the report, which includes advice on bar pricing and wastage control, theft and security issues, and cellar management; the conduction of hydrometer tests; the auditing of goods received; in-house surveillance; accurate stock counting and gauging; till to stock reconciliation to pinpoint any areas of concern; and end-of-year, insurance, and change of ownership valuations.

DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES delivers a similarly comprehensive suite of services to companies requiring stocktaking for their food operations. This includes the accurate counting, gauging, and weighing of all products stocked by the business; consultations on menu pricing and costs; analysing what gross profit percentage is being achieved and how to improve upon that; wastage control; the auditing of all goods received and all relevant sales from food operations; and on-site results, including a trading report and line-by-line listing of all products and their relevant costs, pricing, and stockholding.

What's more, DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES also conducts business stock valuations for off-license stores, newsagents, petrol stations, convenience stores, pharmacies, cafes, and more. These services include business transfer services, change of ownership valuations, shop valuations, end-of-year valuations, and the provision of a full valuation certificate.

Ultimately, no business is too small to benefit from stocktaking services. It is imperative that businesses know and understand the gross profit they are achieving, especially in a landscape characterised by restrictions and



regulations. Too many businesses operating in this environment opt to wait until the end of the financial year to learn their true profit margins, a practice that is not to be recommended or advised due to the considerable amount that may be lost during this period. In fact, DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES recommends that most businesses undergo stocktaking each month, though this timeframe can be altered in alignment with business size and turnover.

For more than 40 years, DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES has been on a mission to reshape the ways in which businesses operate by aiding them in understanding and optimising their gross profitability and stocktaking operations. The company has served as an essential partner to countless clients since its inception, helping businessowners across the country to maintain and increase their working profits whilst reducing losses through accurate, professional stocktaking and auditing services. For its unwavering dedication to driving business growth and optimising profitability, DALES STOCKTAKING SERVICES has been named Northern England's Best Stock Auditing Specialists 2025.

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