



Temporarily closing your MOT station guidance

Whilst MOT stations are permitted to open and test under the current restrictions, some VTS's are choosing to temporarily close their testing station.

DVSA, at the time of writing, have not yet issued any official advice on what should be done if a VTS chooses to do this.

However, we have asked DVSA for clarification on what the procedure should be so as not to fall foul of any requirements at a later date.

DVSA stated to us that:

"...Due to the unprecedented situation, test stations do not need to inform us if they are closing temporarily – as this is reasonable behaviour in the circumstances and we don't want to add remembering to inform DVSA to the stress they may be under.

"We can see and are monitoring from daily reports which sites are open and testing."

We would recommend though, as a precaution, that the Site Manager or AEDM remove any Tester roles from the VTS as a security measure.

When testing resumes these can easily be added back on, as long as no more than six months has elapsed since the last test conducted by that Tester.

As soon as any more information is given by DVSA we will update this guidance.

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