

Sent to BID Businesses on 8th June 2020

Information from Transport for London & Keeping Staff safe as the return to work

Transport for London have provided a briefing for businesses to assist the planning and preparations for returning to work. The briefing brings together Government advice on returning to work, their travel guidance and the work they're doing to support London:

<https://tfl-newsroom.prgloo.com/news/tfl-press-release-transport-for-london-publishes-advice-for-businesses-on-how-to-keep-staff-safe-as-they-return-to-work>)

Do visit the link above but the highlights are listed below:

- TfL has asked all employers to give the following advice to their staff:
- TfL is taking measures across the transport network to enable social distancing of two metres where possible. **It is mandatory from 15 June to wear a face covering** and do not travel if you have any symptoms of the virus.
- Given the national requirement to maintain two metres distance between passengers wherever possible, the capacity on the Tube and buses will be reduced to around 13-15 per cent, even once services are back to full strength. This of course means transport must operate very differently.
- In line with new Government advice, everyone who can work from home should continue to do so. Public transport should be avoided wherever possible to free up the limited space available to those who have no alternative way to travel.
- If you must travel, please plan ahead and travel outside of the busiest times, particularly first thing in the morning. You should take the most direct route and avoid busy interchanges.
- Peak times to avoid wherever possible are 05:45-08:15 and 16:00-17:30.
- If you can, please walk or cycle for all or part of your journey. TfL has been introducing a wide range of improvements in partnership with boroughs to widen footpaths and provide more cycle lanes.
- You may be asked to wait to enter a station. Some stations will have one-way systems, or you may be asked to walk on the left. TfL is also asking people to maintain social distancing throughout stations, for example on stairs, escalators and in lifts.
- If travelling by bus, please maintain social distancing at stops and bus stations wherever possible.
- It is also important that you continue to follow the Government advice on hygiene. Please wash your hands before and after travel and carry hand sanitiser with you. We have also started putting hand sanitiser dispensers in stations and will be installing many more in the coming weeks.
- Please be considerate to transport staff and follow their instructions. Everyone is doing their best in these difficult times.

TfL will continue to update the briefing as government advice changes and their travel advice adapts. The initial briefing is on their website here: <https://tfl.gov.uk/campaign/restart>.

As you will be aware, the Government has indicated the lifting of restrictions and reopening of the economy will be done in phases and by sectors. As such, TfL are working to tailor their travel advice to the needs of specific sectors, as appropriate, and they will share this information when ready and in line with the Government's roadmap for lifting restrictions.

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If you are a Clapham Junction BID business and you have missed any of these communications, or for more information – please contact Roz Lloyd-Williams, The Executive BID Director, The Junction BID Tel: 07522 812299 email: roz.lloyd-williams@thejunctionbid.co.uk