

## LETTER TO BRANCHES





No. 121/25

23rd June 2025

Dear Colleague

## **ROYAL MAIL: DRUGS & ALCOHOL - FOR-CAUSE TESTING PILOT**

Further to LTB 078/25 dated 16<sup>th</sup> April. Branches are reminded that the Postal Executive agreed to extend the Drugs & Alcohol For-Cause Testing Pilot (for drivers only and excluding Parcelforce) until Friday 5th September and also to extend the geographical boundaries. The Terms of Reference (ToR) previously agreed with Royal Mail was extended to include South Central, South East and Northern Ireland ROD areas from the following dates:

- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June South East
- Monday 16th June South Central
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Northern Ireland

The extension means the Pilot is now running in six ROD areas in total, including Wales, Anglia and South West.

We are pleased to report that at the time of writing there have been no further forcause tests instigated since the most recent extensions. Only two tests have been called for in total in the 23 weeks since the initial Pilot in Wales began on 13<sup>th</sup> January, both of which had a negative outcome. We will continue to monitor the progress of the Pilot and further developments will be reported.

Yours sincerely,

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