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SAFETY FIRST: Road Safety Campaign August 2020

All Royal Mail colleagues have a responsibility to drive safely and minimise risk to themselves and the public. As part of business-wide focus on road safety, we are sharing a series of Road Safety messages with drivers in National Distribution; the next campaign is on **17th August 2020** on **Clear Windscreens**.

Background and context

For the Road Safety campaign in August 2020, we're highlighting the importance of having a '**ClearView**' from your Windscreen, ensuring the vehicle's windscreen is always clean, clear, and free of obstructions. We're also highlighting the devastating consequences it can have if your windscreen is dirty, if you have any objects on the dashboard or hanging from the rear-view mirror that can obstruct your view of the road.

The law states that windows and windscreens must be kept clean and free of obstructions to vision. If you are involved in an accident, even if it wasn't your fault, and your windscreen isn't clear you can be charged with 'careless driving'. Drivers could face a £100 on-the-spot fine and three penalty points which can rise to £5,000 if the accident is serious and nine points if the driver can't see clearly through dirty glass.

Driving safely means making sure that your line of vision is kept clear. If your vision is obscured, you will not be able to see the road ahead properly and it could create a blind spot.

The key message for this campaign is to ensure our drivers are keeping their windscreens clean and free from any obstructions.

Driver Actions

- Ensure your windscreen is clean and clear of obstruction in order to provide a "Clearview" before each shift
- Take all of your rubbish and duty packs with you at the end of your shift.

IF YOUR WINDSCREEN IS NOT UP TO THE REQUIRED STANDARD DO NOT DRIVE THE VEHICLE