



RM/CWU - Covid-19 Tender Proposal To Deliver T24 Test Kits



Royal Mail Group and the CWU are proud to be playing a key role in the delivery and return of Covid-19 test kits which is an integral part of the Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This is a vital part of the national effort to combat the coronavirus.

In April 2020 the Government selected Royal Mail Group and its unparalleled nationwide network to lead as the Prime Supplier on a number of products. To date Royal Mail and the CWU have worked together to adapt to the changing demands from Government as the pandemic unfolds.

To meet the demand for testing into the autumn and Winter the Department of Health & Social Care (DHSC) have issued a tender to support the effort by delivering test kits using the Tracked 24 product seven days a week. Royal Mail has submitted a bid in response to this tender. The Royal Mail Board and the CWU are committed to winning this bid. Confirmation of an award is expected on the 9th November with a requirement to be operational by the 17th November 2020.

Given the very tight timescale between contract award and go live Royal Mail are seeking to commence planning and scoping work to establish a Sunday delivery operation based on the LAT model and to test the appetite from Royal Mail employees to resource the Sunday.

Further details on the operational processes and timings will follow further to National talks and an agreed Joint Statement being concluded.

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