

# Test (MOT) Centre Equipment Refresh



Vehicle test equipment will undergo a refresh programme at all test (MOT) centres commencing in Cookstown on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2011 and rolling out across the other centres over the next 12 months.

This will involve replacing significant parts of the current testing equipment and in order to facilitate this work there will be some closure of vehicle test lanes. The roll out programme has been designed to minimise impact on waiting times although there will be some impact experienced for all vehicle types.

To maximise choice and flexibility customers are urged to book their MOT tests as soon as possible after the reminder letter is received, which is sent 7 weeks before the test is due. Vehicles can be tested up to 28 days before the expiry of the current test certificate without affecting the expiry date for the following year.

Waiting times vary between centres and it is often the case that tests can be secured more quickly at centres close to the one customers normally use.

Customers should note that the current test process will not change as a result of this equipment refresh.

The current schedule of closures is shown below and will be subject to ongoing review to minimise impact on service delivery;

<b>Centre</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Car Lane</b>	<b>HGV Lane</b>
Cookstown	01/08/2011	05/08/2011	Closed	Closed
Larne	22/08/2011	25/08/2011	Closed	Closed
Downpatrick	12/09/2011	14/09/2011	Closed	Closed
Craigavon	03/10/2011	07/10/2011	Closed	Closed
Ballymena	24/10/2011	27/10/2011	Closed	Closed
Armagh	14/11/2011	16/11/2011	Closed	Closed
Belfast	05/12/2011	10/12/2011	Closed	Closed
Enniskillen	09/01/2012	11/01/2012	Closed	Closed
Lisburn	30/01/2012	02/02/2012	Closed	Closed
Omagh	20/02/2012	22/02/2012	Closed	Closed
Newtownards Phase 1	12/03/2012	16/03/2012	2 Closed	Closed

Newtownards Phase 2	26/03/2012	29/03/2012	3 Closed	Open
Londonderry	16/04/2012	20/04/2012	Closed	Closed
Newry	14/05/2012	17/05/2012	Closed	Closed
Coleraine	11/06/2012	14/06/2012	Closed	Closed
Mallusk	02/07/2012	06/07/2012	Closed	Closed