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Not for Publication: COVID-19 precautions for test vehicle deliveries

With the threat of COVID-19 continuing to rise in the UK, Mazda UK recognises its duty to ensure press car media recipients and delivery personal are protected, while at the same time ensuring the continuation of press fleet operations to ensure our media friends are still able to continue to carry out their jobs and test Mazda press vehicles.

Therefore the Mazda Press Office and our delivery partners SMH Fleet solutions will implement procedures in line with the latest government and NHS guidelines:

* Delivery drivers will not be shaking hands with customers during this period.
* All delivery drivers will use hand sanitiser on entry and exit of storage sites.
* Delivery drivers will wipe the steering wheel, gear knobs, door handles, seat position controls, window switches, dials and controls with antibacterial wipes when exiting the vehicle for handover.
* Press vehicles interiors will receive anti-bacterial cleaning on return.

We will continue to monitor the evolving situation and the above is of course subject to change.

The Mazda UK Press Office has moved to remote working, but this should not affect how we work with your teams.  We are here to assist you and should you have any ideas for features or news stories please let us know. We will be contacting you with our ideas and suggestions for Mazda stories as we all work to try to minimise the disruption caused by the virus.

Our office phones will be diverted to our mobiles and we will continue to be on email.  When working from home you can go a little stir crazy, so even if just for a chat our mobile numbers are below:

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