

# GMB announces 12 more British Gas strike dates as company refuses to drop fire and rehire



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Engineers will walk out on March 12 to 15, 19 to 22 and 26 to 29 after they overwhelmingly rejected a revised offer from the company at ACAS.

The new industrial action will bring the total number of strike days in the ongoing dispute to 42.

GMB says fire and rehire remains the main obstacle to members accepting a deal.

**Justin Bowden, GMB National Secretary, said:**

“Twelve more strike days will go ahead at British Gas after gas and electrical engineers overwhelmingly rejected a revised offer at ACAS because the company didn’t take fire and rehire off the table.

“The company needs to understand its fire and rehire plan is the big obstacle to members accepting a deal – they must withdraw it now.

“After 30 days of strikes, more than 250,000 homes are in a backlog for repairs and 350,000 planned annual service visits have been axed.

“The company is misleading the media that it is catching up after 24 hours.

“The behaviour of British Gas bosses is hurting workers, customers and ultimately company shareholders.

“GMB’s executive has determined action could continue to mid-April in this deadlocked dispute.”

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