



## **GMB backs call for TfL face coverings to remain compulsory**

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**Transport workers and those who have to travel on the tube deserve to be safe says GMB Union**

GMB Union has backed Mayor of London Sadiq Khan's call for TfL to keep the requirement to wear face coverings on public transport as a condition of travel on all TfL services after July 19.

**Gary Smith, GMB General Secretary, said:**

"The bottom line is it's way too early to be taking the face coverings out of public transport – where ventilation and social distancing are often not achievable.



“Transport workers and those who have to travel on the tube deserve to be safe.

“We are still very much in the grip of Covid-19 and this cannot be a return to business as usual, otherwise we are risking the spread of further infection while heaping further pressure on our NHS.”