

4.2 FAQs for the Gosport Local Testing Site – walk-through Covid-19 testing location

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How does the booking process for walk-through testing sites work?	People can book a walk-through test via the nhs.uk/coronavirus page or by calling 119.
How do LTS's work in practice?	Those attending a walk-through testing site will be asked to confirm their identity on arrival. Test subjects will be then be issued with a test kit and directed to a testing booth, where they will be provided with guidance to help them self-administer a swab test, taking swabs from both the nose and mouth. After safely completing the test, a testing assistant will advise how to register their test online and exit the site. They will receive their results the next day.
What days and hours is the Gosport LTS open?	The Gosport LTS is open from 08:00am until 08:00pm every day, seven days a week.
When will you open new walk-through testing sites?	The Government through the Department of Health and Social Care will continue to open further walk-through testing sites where there is demand from local communities. Our ultimate goal is to ensure that everyone in Gosport with coronavirus symptoms has access to free tests to support continued efforts to reduce the transmission of the virus.
Why have you launched walk-through testing sites? Who are they targeted for?	We have launched this additional route to allow people without access to cars to book appointments, and to improve accessibility to testing in the heart of communities who need it most.

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Why did these sites not exist previously, given many people in metropolitan areas particularly affected by COVID-19 don't have access to a car?	DHSC has provided a range of ways for people to be tested. For those without access to a car this has included satellite deliveries to centres at places like hospitals that have a particularly urgent or significant need, delivering test kits to people's homes, and offering walk-up appointments at mobile testing units. As capacity has increased the range of options for people has expanded.
Is this safe – why are you asking symptomatic people to walk into busy places?	Anyone attending an appointment at a walk-through testing site will be provided with guidance on getting to and from the test site safely, including : adhering to social distancing; not travelling in a taxi or on public transport; wearing a face covering throughout (including travelling to and from the testing centre); and washing their hands thoroughly before leaving for their appointment. Our approach has been agreed with expert clinical oversight.
Can people show up for a test at my local walk-through testing site?	Our aim is that everyone in Gosport with coronavirus symptoms has access to free tests to support continued efforts to reduce the transmission of the virus. To ensure sites have enough capacity to meet demand, people should book an appointment to attend a walk-through testing site. It is vital for safety reasons they arrive at the correct time.
How will people be kept safe on site?	We have detailed clinical operating procedures, developed in collaboration with clinical experts, for local walk-through testing sites. Layouts at walk-through testing sites have been carefully designed to ensure people can move around them safely and prevent spread of the virus; social distancing will be maintained throughout the testing process; and people attending the sites are asked to wear a face covering.

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Is it safe for symptomatic people to be walking around outside/doesn't this contradict government guidance?	<p>Before trialling the sites, we consulted with clinical experts including public health professionals. Our view is that this is a proportionate step given the benefits of increased access to testing, including for some of our most vulnerable citizens. Those attending LTSs are provided with rules about how to do so in a way that minimises the risk to themselves – including the need to avoid contact with others while on route and to wear a face covering.</p> <p>The guidance that people should follow in attending an LTS are set out in an animation here.</p>
Will self-test or administered testing be available?	All LTSs are self-test.