

Black Friday protests at Amazon



Ambulances called to Amazon warehouses 600 times in three years

The conditions our members at Amazon are working under are frankly inhuman. They are breaking bones, being knocked unconscious and being taken away in ambulances.

Earlier this year, we revealed that ambulances were called out to Amazon warehouses 600 times during the past three financial years.

So we're standing up and saying enough is enough, these are people making Amazon its money. People with kids, homes, bills to pay - they're not robots.

On this Black Friday, we're staging protests across the UK in anger at the 'inhuman conditions' people work under at the company's warehouses.



Hundreds are expected to demonstrate at five Amazon warehouses across the country on Friday November 23, 2018, as follows:

- Amazon Rugeley – from 5pm at Tower business park, Power Station Rd, Rugeley, WS15 1LX
- Amazon Milton Keynes – at 6:30am and 11:30am, at Marston Gate Distribution Centre, Badgers Rise, Ridgmont MK43 0ZA
- Amazon Warrington – from 5:30pm at 1 Orion Blvd, Great Sankey, Warrington WA5 3XA
- Amazon Peterborough – from 5:30am at Unit 1, Kingston Park, Flaxley Rd, Peterborough PE2 9EN
- Amazon Swansea – at 7:30am and 6pm at Ffordd Amazon, Skewen, Swansea, SA1 8QX

Amazon workers in Italy and Spain take action on the same day.

Separate figures unearthed by GMB revealed a total of 602 reports have been made from Amazon warehouses to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE).

GMB members working in Amazon warehouses have reported working in constant agony, not having time to go to the toilet and a heavily pregnant woman being forced to work standing.

“ Jeff Bezos is the richest bloke on the planet; he can afford to sort this out. You'd think making the workplace safer so people aren't carted out of the warehouse in an ambulance is in everyone's interest, but Amazon seemingly have no will to get round the table with us as the union representing hundreds of their staff.

Tim Roache, GMB General Secretary

Working people and the communities Amazon operates in deserve better than this. And that's what we're campaigning for.

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