

IN THE DRIVING SEAT

More than 3,000 colleagues have chosen MyDrive, so what makes it such a great benefit?

MyDrive, the Royal Mail salary exchange car scheme, is a hassle-free way to get behind the wheel of a new car. Including fully comp insurance, servicing, tax and breakdown cover and more, it has proven to be an extremely popular benefit.

Sharnie Keen, a postman at Caterham delivery office (pictured), has been driving a Toyota Yaris Hybrid for two years through the scheme.

'It was a nice and easy way to get a new car. They were very helpful when they dropped the car off and everyone I have dealt with there has been great,' he says.

'Often when I speak to colleagues about it I find that they don't realise how much is included. You won't find a better plan than that, everyone else wants a deposit.'

MyDrive is an anytime benefit, provided by Zenith, that can be chosen throughout the year should you want a brand new car for either yourself, a partner, spouse or dependant. There's no deposit or credit

checks and the process is managed online.

You can log on to MyDrive through My Bundle, browse from the large range of cars available, select your choice of car and get a quote in minutes. The most popular cars on the scheme include the Toyota Aygo, Peugeot 2008 and Audi A1.

The scheme is also a great way for you to make savings. You'll pay for your brand new car in a regular, affordable salary reduction, before tax, and you can even see the progress of your order through My Bundle.

FIND OUT MORE

To find out more about the scheme log on to My Bundle or contact the Zenith team:

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MY BUNDLE

Here are some of July's top offers. More at mybundle.myroyalmail.com - T&Cs apply. Please note offers are available to current Royal Mail employees only.

HOUSE OF FRASER - SAVE 16%

Save a fantastic 16% when you load or order a House of Fraser reloadable card from 1-14 July.

TESCO - SAVE 5%

Save 5% at Tesco when you load or order a Tesco reloadable card from 2-8 July.

WICKES - SAVE 12%

Save 12% when you load or order a Wickes reloadable card from 1-31 July.

SAINSBURY'S - SAVE 5% AND WIN £100

Load or order £120 or more on a Sainsbury's reloadable card from 1-31 July and be entered into a prize draw to win £100. Plus, save 5%.

NEW LOOK - SAVE 15%

Save 15% when you load or order a New Look reloadable card between 1 - 15 July.

THE RESTAURANT CARD - SAVE 10%

Receive £5 for every £50 you load or order on The Restaurant Card between 1-31 July. Restaurants include: Café Rouge, Bella Italia and more. Plus, save 10%.

The wheel deal

Colleagues across the country are enjoying the convenience of having their cars fixed at their workplace using our Autocare scheme.

Joe Hetherington, shift supervisor at Hull service centre, says it has been a big hit with workers at the nearby mail processing unit.

'We've had a really good time with it,' he says. 'Interest in Autocare has doubled over the past year. It's brilliant for colleagues because they can just drop their cars off and head in to work. I ring them when they're done and they pick it up after their round.'

Joe says happy customers mean the message about Autocare is spreading through word of mouth.

'Some colleagues were dropped off in a taxi

'We then got that taxi in for £350 of repairs. As a business, getting that kind of work with professional drivers is a positive change,' he says.

When not working on private cars, the Hull service centre team maintains the region's 320-strong 'red fleet' of Royal Mail vans and lorries, alongside work on British Gas vehicles.

Mechanic technician Graham Meakes has worked on Autocare at Hull for three months. 'It's a good deal for postmen and women because it's reasonably priced and convenient,' he says.

'Autocare gives us a bit of variety as you get to work on different cars as well as vans. We're getting good feedback from the customers and

ALL ABOUT AUTOCARE:

- Autocare offers competitively priced MOTs, repairs and servicing on private vehicles, with discounts for Royal Mail colleagues, their friends and families.
- Since launching in September 2016, mechanics at 86 workshops have handled more than 10,000 Autocare jobs.
- Colleagues can receive a £10 discount for servicing or repairs of £100 or more - available until 31st July 2017.

NEWS IN BRIEF

DASHBOARD CAMERA TRIAL



We are trialling dashboard cameras to protect our drivers, while they are out on the road.

The cameras are widely used across the logistics industry, and many of our drivers already choose to install cameras for their own personal use.

As part of the trial, a total of 20 forward-facing cameras have been installed at the vehicle operating centre at Rochester - which achieved a 50% reduction in road traffic collisions in the past financial year (2017-18).

The trial will last three months before the next steps are decided.

Driver Ashley Wigg says: 'It's protection for the drivers in case of any incidents and will also protect the company against other road users.'

NEW EMERGENCY BRAKING SYSTEM

We have placed our first order for 100 Volkswagen Caddy and 262 Volkswagen Crafter vans, which are due to start arriving on our sites from next month.

The vans will all be fitted with the city emergency braking system, a collision-avoiding technology.

Automatically activated at speeds under 18mph, it uses a laser sensor to detect the risk of an impending collision and automatically primes the brakes to make them more sensitive. If the driver does not brake and a collision is imminent, then the system applies them automatically.

PRIDE & PREJUDICE

Sue Whalley, CEO Post & Parcels, attended *The Economist's* Pride and Prejudice LGBT Summit in London last week where a panel discussed whether organisations still need to make a business case for diversity.

Pride and Prejudice began in 2016 as a global conference and initiative to instigate debate and discussion around the economic and human costs of discrimination against the LGBT community.

Speaking at the event, Sue said: 'We want to create a workplace where all employees feel respected, included and comfortable.'



ANYTIME BENEFIT
INCREDIBLE DEALS

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We challenge you to find a cheaper and easier way to drive a brand new car.

With MyDrive, the Royal Mail Salary Exchange Car Scheme, everything's included, except the hassle:

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- Fully comp insurance
- Road tax
- Scheduled servicing and maintenance
- Breakdown cover
- Replacement tyres
- Windscreen and glass cover
- Accident management

Get a quote on a VW Polo from just £65 per week - one of our most popular cars ordered in May!

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Open for business

We've expanded our Autocare scheme with the opening of a new workshop in Boston, Lincolnshire.

The new vehicle maintenance workshop opened at Boston delivery office last month and is equipped with a dedicated MOT service area.

Boston is now one of 72 in-house MOT facilities across the country. We have almost doubled our MOT capability in recent times as part of our drive towards greater commercialisation of the business.

Fleet technician Paul Hartnett is excited by the new range of commercial work being carried out at the site. 'It's brilliant for our apprenticeships,' he says. 'You've got to make them interested, and apparently we're doing a good job at that.'

First-year apprentice Tom Gibbon agrees. 'If you enjoy it, it's not really work. There's nothing more I could really ask for,' he says.

Head of fleet maintenance Sally Warren recently visited the college that is helping to train Tom.

'They told me Royal Mail has the best retention rate of all of their major vehicle providers,' she says. 'They were asking us what it is we do to look after our apprentices, because we generally don't have anyone leave the program.'



From left: Paul Hartnett, Tom Gibbon, Steven Faulk, Sally Warren and Gary Hayes at the opening of the workshop