

# Bombardier suspends its work in Derby, Ilford and Crewe

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Bombardier has suspended its rolling stock production in Derby.

The company also says it has temporarily paused heavy maintenance in Ilford and component refurbishment and overhaul in Crewe.

Bombardier says the difficult decision has been made to protect its staff from COVID-19 and support the Government's efforts to delay the spread of the virus.

In a statement to [railbusinessdaily.com](https://www.railbusinessdaily.com) the company said: "In the current unprecedented circumstances, we want to protect our people from COVID-19, support the UK Government's efforts to delay and mitigate the virus, and to ensure sustainable business continuity.

"Following the new Government social distancing measures announced on Monday night, Bombardier Transportation UK has made the difficult decision to temporarily pause rolling stock production at our Derby site, heavy maintenance at our Ilford site, and component refurbishment and overhaul at our Crewe site. These pauses will remain in place pending further clarity from Government on social distancing rules, and will be kept under constant review.

"The UK rail and London Underground networks remain open for the use of essential workers, so our staff based at our services sites will continue to play our part in keeping Britain moving by providing maintenance on trains in service, technical support and materials. Our staff will be protected by enhanced safe working practices, while across the business our people are continuing to work from home.

"We look forward to the full resumption of production, and to the continued success of Britain's leading rail engineering business."