

## Four weeks of strikes announced by the RMT today

November 22, 2022



The RMT has announced four weeks of 48 hours strikes, to take place throughout December and January.

Following on from yesterday's shock announcements from the union, network Rail and the RDG, where it was revealed that no settlement had been able to be reached, it has just been announced that over 40,000 members will strike on 13, 14, 16 and 17 December and on January 3,4,6 and 7.

There will also be an overtime ban across the railways from 18 December until 2 January.





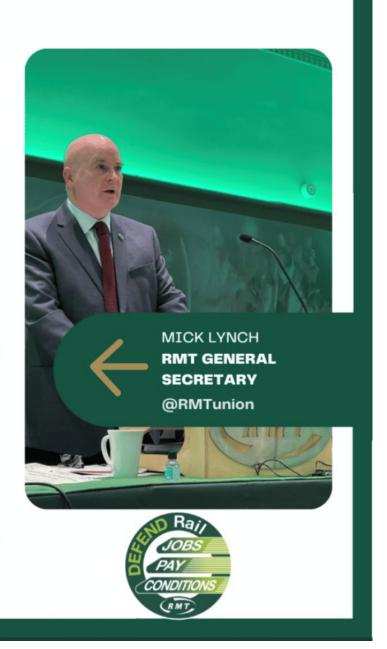
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Following the announcement, RMT general secretary Mick Lynch said: "This latest round of strikes will show how important our members are to the running of this country and will send a clear message that we want a good deal on job security, pay and conditions for our people.

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These latest strikes are in addition to strikes planned by Aslef, which are due to take place on Saturday, 26 November, and the RMT on Avanti West Coast services on Sunday 11 and Monday 12 December.