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West Midlands Railway to increase capacity as reopening of society continues

Rail operator West Midlands Railway (WMR) is introducing dozens of new and longer services as further societal restrictions ease.

The new timetable, which comes into effect on Sunday 16 May, focuses on introducing additional trains on routes via Birmingham Snow Hill.

On some routes, such as trains between Birmingham and Shrewsbury, existing services will be made longer.

Jonny Wiseman, customer experience director for WMR, said:

“Our new timetable has been specifically designed to step up capacity on the services and routes which need it most as more restrictions lift.

“We look forward to welcoming our customers back to the railway but we must be realistic that even with this extra capacity, social distancing will not be possible on the busiest services.

“This is why it is important for passengers to plan ahead and travel at quieter times if they can to help maximise the space available.”

Among the changes passengers returning to the railway may notice are [enhanced cleaning regimes](#) and one-way systems at some larger stations.

Timetables are available to view on www.wmr.uk/timetables now.

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- **London Northwestern Railway** services operate between Liverpool and Birmingham, and on the West Coast Main Line to and from London Euston.
- **West Midlands Railway** services operate to destinations across the West Midlands via Birmingham New Street and Birmingham Snow Hill.

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