

Our lateral flow device testing (rapid testing) pilot site at Southwark Crown Court went live on 15 February and has now been extended to at least 23 April.

We are making some changes to make the testing site more accessible to users, and would welcome your feedback on your experience of testing so far.

What changes are we making?

Access to the test centre will now be through the main doors to the public canteen on the 1st Floor, rather than through the security gatehouse entrance. This is to save you needing to exit and re-enter the building in order to take a test.

At the main doors to the canteen, you will be greeted by one of the test team marshals. If you have booked in advance, you will still need to produce a confirmation of your booking to take your test.

You will now also be able to walk in to the site and take a test if additional capacity is available. Simply head to the main doors of the canteen and the testing team will tell you if there is capacity for you to take a test without a booking. Please remember to not eat or drink at least 30 minutes before taking a test.

All staff, judiciary, jurors, contractors, professional and public court users will now be able to use the testing site. Judiciary, jurors, staff and contractors (touchpoint cleaners and security) will still be able to take tests twice a week if they wish to do so.

How can I take a test?

Staff, judiciary, jurors, professional users and contractors can either attend the centre for a walk in appointment or email the address below with preferred days and times for a pre-booked appointment:

SouthwarkTestCentreEnquiriesandSupport@justice.gov.uk

The testing centre will be open:

Monday – Friday: 8:30am – 4:45pm (last test slot at 4:45 pm).

If your appointment is pre booked the booking scheduler will confirm your test date and time after considering your preferences and you will receive a confirmation of test booking.

Where to get more information

If you would like further information, or wish to provide feedback, please email SouthwarkTestCentreEnquiriesandSupport@justice.gov.uk