

Distribution Update

9th September 2022

The Queen – Potential disruption to distribution

Dear All,

We are writing to inform you that due to the incredibly sad news regarding The Queen passing as announced last night there may be some delay or disruption to your newspaper distribution this morning.

In short there are three ways in which your supply may be affected:

- 1) There is an agreed cut-off extension of 45 minutes which may be used by publishers and so any onward distribution to you may be delayed.
- 2) Increased volume – publishers are planning to significantly increase print runs and pagination; we will endeavour to deliver and charge your full supply in one go, but there may be certain areas where supplies need to be split. Please don't raise any claims until you have received your full supply.
- 3) Magazines – your magazines may arrive on either a pre-run or a post run due to the expected increase in weight and volume of live news.

Finally, we are also expecting increased volumes of copies to be printed over the weekend. Unfortunately, usual newspaper weekend supplements have already been printed and so there will be **no** increase in supplements available. Please manage the expectations of your customers accordingly as some newspapers will need to be sold without supplements.

Please be rest assured that our teams are working as hard as possible to minimise any disruption to your business and we thank you for your support at this time.

Kind regards,

Smiths News