

Service time for cable car



Flying high: The cable car is 90 metres high, making it a unique way to take in the sights of the city

The Emirates Air Line, located in North Greenwich, will close for one week for planned maintenance from today until Sunday, March 18.

THE essential work happens every year to ensure that the highest standards of safety are maintained on the cable car.

This year, the rollers on top of the Emirates Air Line's two north side towers, which are responsible for moving the cable, will be replaced.

Each roller weighs about 50 kilograms, with the towers containing between six and 72 rollers.

The hydraulic and braking systems at both the north and south terminals will be serviced, along with electrical equipment in each of the cabins.

Lift maintenance will also be carried out to ensure the Emirates Air Line remains fully accessible for all passengers.

TfL's head of the Emirates Air Line, Dave Fisher, said: 'Since opening in 2012, more than nine million passengers have enjoyed a unique and spectacular ride on the UK's first urban cable car, including more than 1.4 million passengers in the last year alone.'

'Our planned maintenance week ensures that we can continue to run a safe and reliable service for all of our customers. We apologise for any disruption this causes. However, by carrying out all this vital work now, we will not require any further planned closures this year.'

The work will be done by operator Mace Macro with assistance from Doppelmayr, who built the cable car

system and has since been involved in the operations and maintenance.

During the closure, the nearest alternative public transport is North Greenwich Tube station for the Jubilee line on the south side of the river, and Royal Victoria DLR station on the north side.

River services will operate from North Greenwich Pier next to the Emirates Greenwich Peninsula terminal. Bus services are also available from North Greenwich bus station and Royal Victoria.

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Did you know?

HERE are five interesting facts you may not know about the UK's first urban cable car:

- There are 36 cabins in total - up to 34 are in use at any one time
- You can see a number of London's iconic landmarks from the cabins, including the Thames Barrier, The Shard and the Cutty Sark
- Many well-known people have enjoyed a flight including Princess Anne, actor Arnold Schwarzenegger, singer Bruno Mars, wrestler Hulk Hogan and boxer David Haye
- Daleks and Cybermen from Doctor Who have taken a ride, as has the Rugby World Cup on its 2015 tour
- You can catch a night flight. After 7pm, journey times are slowed down and passengers can see London's captivating night sky, including the reflections of the O2 and the awe-inspiring lights of Canary Wharf



All smiles: Wrestler Hulk Hogan gives a thumbs up to the Emirates Air Line

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