



# BREAKING POINT!

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### GMB Scotland in the Scottish Ambulance Service

**Breaking Point! Over worked, under-resourced. It's time for an honest debate about the future of the Scottish Ambulance Service.**

You are overworked and under resourced. But with lives in your hands there remains an expectation that you will always be there and always deliver. That's not realistic and it's not sustainable. You know what this looks like...

Working over and above your proper shift patterns is the new normal. Vehicle and equipment checks go undone because of the demands on your working time. Meals breaks are missed and rest periods are spent on the job. Patient transfer supply cannot meet demand. Stress is constant.

The truth is that the increasing demands and pressures heaped on you against a backdrop of service cuts is yet another example of the austerity shame across our public services - and it cannot go unchallenged.

The priority of GMB Scotland is to defend your interests. That's why it's time for an honest debate about the future of the Scottish Ambulance Service.

There is denial in senior management and the Scottish government over the scale and severity of the problems in our ambulance service. There is ignorance among the public about the pressures you are under on a daily basis.

The first step in addressing a problem is recognising that there is one and GMB Scotland will campaign to expose the uncomfortable truths about the working conditions of staff and the state of service delivery across the SAS.

Keep up to date with GMB Scotland's campaign for an honest debate about the future of the SAS. Drop us an email in confidence about the issues you are facing **gmbscotcampaigns@gmb.org.uk** or call direct on **0141 352 8132**

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