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I've just been challenged by a security guard at @LidlGB.

He informed me that a policy has been rolled out today that requires security to "politely challenge" customers without masks.

After informing him I was exempt, he asked me for my card.

I said I didn't need one and...

that he wasn't supposed to challenge me or ask me to present one.

We then exchanged some pleasantries, very politely, where I asked him to either refuse me entry or let me in.

I advised him that if he refused me entry, he was acting against the law and I would have to sue him..

He advised me that because this was my first time, he would let me shop but asked me to bring the card next time.

I reminded him I didn't need one and wouldn't be bringing a card or wearing a lanyard and told him that the next time I shopped I would present the legal documents..

that early shown that an exempt person can not be asked to present documents or refused entry as this would be a breach of the discrimination act.

I told him that I would request to see the store manager and ask for the name of the man or woman who was refusing me entry so...

that I could sue them in their personal capacity.

I was then introduced to the store manager and we exchanged the same story.

She asked me politely to buy a lanyard or bring my card otherwise she could refuse me entry.

I reminded her she couldn't and told her that if she did..

I would have to sure her in her personal capacity too.

She told me that was fine as she was protected by lidl insurance so I explained that I wouldn't be sueing lidl, I would be sueing her in her personal capacity.

At which point she exasperated that there was nothing she...

could do and she was supposed to finish at 6.30 and it was now 6.35.

I said that was fine, we didnt need to go through it now and I didn't want to keep her at work.

I finished by letting them know that the next time I shop, somebody would have to make the decision to refuse..

me entry or let me shop.

After explaining I wouldn't wear a lanyard or bring an exemption card because I wasn't legally required to, I thanked them and said I'd see them next time.

To be continued...

(I only wanted some mayonnaise)

I will now print out these two government guidance documents for my next visit along with the complaints letter below:

1. Gov guidance on face coverings
https://t.co/JUBLVB4jqk

2. Cabinet Office guidance
https://t.co/C0g3Qg4pJa

3. Complaint
https://t.co/6mm4oMuPyP

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When you do not need to wear a face covering

In settings where face coverings are required in England there are some circumstances where people may not be able to wear a face covering.

Please be mindful and respectful of such circumstances. Some people are less able to wear face coverings, and the reasons for this may not be visible to others.

This includes (but is not limited to):

- children under the age of 11 (Public Health England does not recommend face coverings for children under the age of 3 for health and safety reasons)
- people who cannot put on, wear or remove a face covering because of a physical or mental illness or impairment, or disability
- where putting on, wearing or removing a face covering will cause you severe distress
- if you are speaking to or providing assistance to someone who relies on lip reading, clear sound or facial expressions to communicate
- to avoid harm or injury, or the risk of harm or injury, to yourself or others – including if it would negatively impact on your ability to exercise or participate in a strenuous activity

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