

Transfers

When transferring from bus-to-rail or rail-to-bus, Metro (and most regional bus systems) offers a 50¢ discount on the second trip. Transfers from bus-to-bus are free as long as the bus you're transferring to does not cost more than the first bus. If it does, you must pay the difference. **IMPORTANT:** To get the discounted or free transfer, you must pay your fare with a SmarTrip® card. If you pay with cash or a pass, you will not be able to get the discounted or free transfer. The transfer period is two hours between the start of the first trip and the start of the second trip.

Farragut Crossing

Transfer free between the Red, Orange and Blue lines by walking above ground between the Farragut stations. It's not a tunnel between the stations, it's more like a virtual tunnel. With your SmarTrip® card, Farragut Crossing allows you 30 minutes to exit one of the stations and enter the other without paying a new entry fee.

Regional passes and tickets

Good for full Metrobus fare:

- MARC/VRE Transit Link Card (This monthly card also is good for a month of unlimited Metrorail rides.)
- MARC weekly/monthly passes
- VRE tickets/passes

Buying rail passes and SmarTrip® cards

In Metro stations:

- Farecards and Passes machines offer Metrorail 1-Day Unlimited, 7-Day Short-Trip, 7-Day Fast and 28-Day passes.

- Cash, debit or credit cards are accepted. If you pay with cash, use small bills because farecard machines only give up to \$5 in change (in coins).
- Buy a SmarTrip® card at any Metro station.

Online at wmata.com:

- Use VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover card.
- Orders are mailed within five days.
- Shipping and handling are free.

At Metro sales offices and retail sites:

- Metro sales offices at Anacostia station, Metro Center station, Pentagon Transit Center, Northern Bus Division (4615 14th St., NW) and Metro Headquarters (600 5th St. NW).
- Over 200 retail sites. (See Web site for locations.)

Fare replacement

Lost farecards, passes or unregistered SmarTrip® cards cannot be replaced. If you lose yours while riding on Metrorail, you will be charged the maximum fare when you exit.

If your farecard, pass or registered SmarTrip® card does not work, show it to the station manager. If it's damaged, ask the station manager for a fare adjustment envelope for a replacement by mail. Complete the information, keep the receipt and either give the envelope back to the station manager or mail it to Metro. A replacement will be sent to you. There is a \$5 replacement cost for a SmarTrip® card (unless it is found to be defective).

If you prefer, you can buy a new SmarTrip® card, register it online at wmata.com, then call SmarTrip® Customer Service at 1-888-762-7874 (please wait 24 hours for registration to occur)

and tell them to transfer the value of the old card to the new card. This process usually takes 4-7 days.

Immediate replacements of farecards and paper passes are available from the sales offices at the Anacostia station, Metro Center station, Northern Bus Division (4615 14th St., NW), Pentagon Transit Center and Metro Headquarters (600 5th St. NW).

- Only one damaged farecard can be replaced per visit.
- Replacement farecards are only available in preset denominations at Metro sales offices so you may need to pay the difference in cash.
- Unused farecards and paper passes may be exchanged by mail and at a Metro sales office.
- Unopened tokens may be exchanged at a Metro sales office.

Your Guide to Metro Fares and Passes

- Regular and discounted fares
- Where and how to buy
- Buying and using SmarTrip® cards
- Using transfers
- Fare replacement



Metrorail fares

- Each customer must have a farecard, pass or SmarTrip® card.
- Buy farecards from machines in stations.
- SmarTrip® is Metro's rechargeable farecard. Learn more about it under SmarTrip® cards.
- Fares are based on the length of your trip and the time that you travel.
- Station-to-station fares are posted on farecard machines, at the kiosk and beneath the large Metrorail map display in every station.
- If you're unsure about the fare, ask the station manager for help.
- TIP: Visit wmata.com and use the Trip Planner to plan your trip and determine your fare.

Metrobus fares

- \$1.60 Regular fare using a SmarTrip® card
- \$1.80 Regular fare using cash
- \$3.65 Express fare using a SmarTrip® card
- \$4.00 Express fare using cash
- \$6 Airport Express (5A and B30)

When using cash, use exact change because no change is given.

Metrorail passes

1-Day Unlimited Trip Pass \$14.00

This pass is available on paper or it can be loaded onto a SmarTrip® card. It allows a full day of unlimited rides and is activated upon initial use. The pass expires when Metrorail closes: midnight on weeknights and 3 a.m. on weekends.

7-Day Short-Trip Pass \$35.00

This pass is available on paper only. It allows unlimited rides costing \$3.50 or less, 5:30 to 9:30 a.m. and 3 to 7 p.m. on weekdays and midnight-closing on Friday and Saturday for seven consecutive days. The pass is valid for any trip at all other times. If a trip costs more than \$3.50, use the Exitfare machine to add fare. The pass is activated upon initial use.

7-Day Fast Pass \$57.50

This pass is not available on paper; it can only be loaded onto a SmarTrip® card. It allows unlimited rides for seven consecutive days and is activated upon initial use.

28-Day Pass \$230.00

This pass is not available on paper; it can only be loaded onto a SmarTrip® card. It allows unlimited rides for 28 consecutive days and is activated upon initial use.

Metrobus passes

7-Day Regional Bus Pass \$16.00

It allows unlimited rides regionwide on regular Metrobuses. On express buses, it covers \$1.60 of the \$3.65 fare.

7-Day Regional Senior/Disabled Bus Pass \$8.00

It allows unlimited rides regionwide on all buses. Only customers with proper ID cards can buy and use these passes.

These bus passes are not available on paper; they can only be loaded onto a SmarTrip® card. The pass is activated the first time you use it and is valid for seven consecutive days. Add the regional bus pass to your SmarTrip® card at any Metro sales office, regional transit store or at selected retail outlets. For locations, please visit wmata.com or call 202-637-7000.

Discounted fares

Children

- Up to two children, 4 and younger, ride free with a fare paying customer.

Senior citizens and people with disabilities

Senior citizens 65 and older, people with disabilities and customers with a Medicare card and photo ID may ride for half the regular fare. On Metrorail, use a senior/disabled farecard or SmarTrip® card.

On Metrobus, use a senior/disabled bus pass or SmarTrip® card or show your Metro ID or Medicare card and pay the senior/disabled fare. For more information about qualifying for a Metro ID and buying senior/disabled farecards, SmarTrip® cards and passes, visit wmata.com or call 202-637-7000 (TTY 202-638-3780).

Visitors, 65 years of age or older, may get the senior citizen discount by showing a photo ID card including date of birth and address.

District of Columbia students

- May buy the SmartStudent pass for a month of unlimited bus and rail rides within D.C. You must have a Travel ID Card to buy this pass or eligibility letter to load on a DC One Card.
- May transfer free from rail to bus in D.C. and at Capitol Heights, Friendship Heights, Naylor Road, Silver Spring and Southern Ave stations (using a SmartStudent pass).
- May buy school tokens to ride any Metrobus within D.C. To buy school tokens, you must present a token form.
- May buy a D.C. Student farecard, valid for 10 trips on Metrorail.

SmarTrip® cards

- A SmarTrip® card is easy, safe and fast. Best of all, it saves you money! On Metrorail, save \$1 per trip when you use a SmarTrip® card instead of a paper farecard. On Metrobus, save 20¢ when you use a SmarTrip® card instead of cash.
- You may use SmarTrip® to pay for parking at Metro parking facilities, although most facilities also accept major credit cards.
- You don't lose the value of a registered SmarTrip® card if the card is lost or damaged. For a \$5 replacement fee, you'll get a new card with the value of the lost card at the time you notify Metro.
- Store up to \$300 in value on the card.
- Sold at:
 - Any Metro station for \$10 (\$5 for a card with \$5 in value already on it).
 - All CVS/pharmacy stores for \$10 (\$5 for a card with \$5 in value already on it).
 - Online at wmata.com for \$30 (\$5 for a card with \$25 in value already on it).
- Metro sales offices, regional transit stores and select Giant and Safeway locations for \$5 (with no value on it).
- Metro's SmartBenefits® program can automatically transfer your monthly transit and parking benefit to your SmarTrip® card.
- You can add value and passes to your SmarTrip® card from our Web site. You can also go to the Web site to find out how much value is on your card, see where and when you used it last or report it lost or stolen. To get started, create your SmarTrip® online account today!