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### MTA LIRR Hits a Homer with Frequent Service to Shea Stadium for Mets Home Opener, April 9

The MTA Long Island Rail Road makes Mets fans winners with frequent Shea Stadium service starting with the Mets home opener against the Phillies on April 9 and continuing through the season.

Train service to Shea Stadium is available on eastbound Port Washington Branch trains from Penn Station and westbound trains from Great Neck and Port Washington. The train ride is just 16 minutes from Penn Station to Shea Stadium. For those traveling on the LIRR from Long Island, the Stadium is just six minutes from Woodside, 15 minutes from Great Neck and 25 minutes from Port Washington.

Mets fans who ride the Railroad have the opportunity to purchase tickets to select games at a discounted rate. LIRR customers who mention "LIRR," "MetroCard," or "MetroNorth" when purchasing their Mets tickets for 20 select games this season will receive a \$10 discount on Mezzanine Reserved and Upper Box tickets. Further information is available at the Mets website at [www.mets.mlb.com](http://www.mets.mlb.com) and look under Tickets, Special Ticket Offers: "Take the Train to the Game" offer.

LIRR Opening Day service to Shea Stadium, April 9, includes:

Eastbound: Port Washington Branch trains leaving Penn Station half-hourly between 10:19 AM and 3:49 PM will stop at Shea Stadium. Additionally, on April 9, the 10:41 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:12 PM, 12:31 PM, 4:22 PM, 4:25 PM, 4:43 PM, 4:46 PM, 5:11 PM, 5:14 PM and 5:26 PM trains from Penn Station will stop at Shea Stadium.

Westbound: Trains leaving Port Washington half-hourly between 10:11 AM and

5 PM will stop at Shea Stadium. Additionally, on April 9, the 11:25 AM, 11:43 AM and 5:31 PM trains from Great Neck will stop at Shea Stadium.

The following Main Line trains will have added Woodside stops on April 9 only:

Eastbound: 4:54 PM, 5:04 PM and 5:51 PM trains from Penn Station.

Westbound: 10:09 AM from Babylon, 10:40 AM from Long Beach, 11:09 AM from Babylon, 11:04 AM from Huntington, 11:40 AM from Long Beach and 12:09 PM from Babylon.

Fans traveling from branches other than Port Washington can reach Shea Stadium by taking a regularly scheduled train to Woodside Station, then changing to an eastbound Port Washington Branch train. Since Shea Stadium is located in Zone 1, tickets to that zone from outlying stations are valid to Shea, however, passengers must retain their ticket stubs and inform ticket collectors of their intention to travel to Shea Stadium.

The Railroad's special Family Fare is a great way for future big leaguers to see their favorite team. Children, ages 5 through 11, can ride for only 75-cents each when tickets are purchased at a ticket office or from a ticket machine, during off-peak hours, when accompanied by an adult paying the regular off-peak fare. Parents with monthly or weekly tickets just pay for the children. Up to four children can travel with each parent (or guardian, 18 or older) at this special rate. The Family Fare is \$1 per child if purchased on-board a train. For travel during peak hours, the child fare is one-half the regular one-way fare. Children under 5 ride for free at all times.

Shea Stadium timetables are available at LIRR ticket offices and terminals. Fans can also contact the LIRR's 24-hour Travel Information Center. The numbers are, in Suffolk County 631-231-LIRR, in Nassau County 516-822-LIRR or in New York City at 718-217-LIRR. The Travel Information Center's TDD telephone number for the hearing impaired is 718-558-3022. Customers can also consult the LIRR's web site at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info).