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### The Thoroughbreds Are Off And Running And So Is The MTA LIRR "Belmont Special" To The Fall Meet

#### SAVE \$1 OFF GRANDSTAND ADMISSION WITH THE LIRR'S BELMONT SPECIAL

The new fall racing season is getting underway and the MTA Long Island Rail Road is the winning route to beautiful Belmont Park. The LIRR's "Belmont Special" package ticket includes round-trip rail transportation and a \$1 discount off the \$2 grandstand admission to the track. Starting Friday, September 5, and continuing through Sunday, October 26, LIRR trains will operate to and from Belmont Park for all racing days. First race begins at 1:00 PM. The track is closed for racing on Mondays and Tuesdays, with the exception of Monday, October 13, Columbus Day. The track is also closed for racing on Wednesday, October 15.

Belmont Park is only a half-hour from midtown Manhattan by train.

#### Package Fares To Belmont Park

<i>Purchased at Station</i>	<b>From Zone 1</b> (NY, Brooklyn, & Woodside)	<b>From Zone 3</b> (Jamaica)
One-Way	\$6.00	\$5.00
Round-Trip	\$11.00	\$8.00
<i>Purchased On-Board Train</i>		
One-Way	\$10.00	\$9.00
Round-Trip	Not Available	Not Available

Round-trip and one-way tickets for the "Belmont Special" can be purchased at LIRR stations in advance or on the day of the trip. Round trip tickets will not be sold on the train -- only one-way tickets are available for purchase on the train.

Belmont Package tickets are also available at LIRR full-service "Tickets" machines at stations – just press the "Getaways/Packages" button on the first screen; then select "Belmont Park." Payment can be made with cash, ATM/Debit or Credit Cards. The ticket office at Belmont is closed and there are no ticket machines at Belmont.

To avoid higher on-board fares and save time, customers should purchase round-trip tickets in advance. Commutation tickets are not valid on Belmont Park trains.

(Please note: CityTicket is not valid for travel to or from Belmont Park.)

Racing fans should pick up a copy of the LIRR's Belmont Park Fall Meet timetable at line stations and western terminals, or contact the LIRR's 24 hour Travel Information Center in New York City at 718 217 LIRR for schedule information. The Travel Information Center's TDD telephone number for the hearing impaired is 718-558-3022. Belmont schedule information is also available on the LIRR's website at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info).