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### MTA LIRR Provides Service To Mets New Citi Field Stadium

#### *LIRR Shea Stadium Stop Renamed Mets-Willets Point*

The MTA Long Island Rail Road remains the best way to get to Mets home games, although Mets fans will now have to remember some new names. First, Citi Field replaces Shea Stadium and the Long Island Rail Road stop has been renamed Mets-Willets Point.

Train service to Mets-Willets Point 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 18 minutes from Penn Station to Mets-Willets Point. For those traveling on the LIRR from Long Island, the new ballpark is just six minutes from Woodside, 17 minutes from Great Neck and 27 minutes from Port Washington. From Long Island, customers may go directly to the stadium from Port Washington Branch stations. Customers from other branches should transfer at Woodside.

LIRR trains will be making stops at Mets-Willets Point Station during regular and pre-season games. Starting times for weekday day games are 1:10 PM, weekday night games at 6:10 PM and 7:10 PM, weekend day games at 1:10 PM. There are no weekend night games scheduled for this train timetable period (through May 17).

Pre-Season April 3, 6:10 PM (vs Red Sox)

Eastbound: Depart NY at 2:49 PM, 3:18 PM, 3:49 PM, 4:25 PM,

4:46 PM, 5:14 PM, 5:29 PM, 5:50 PM, 5:56 PM, 6:14 PM, 6:42 PM, 7:14 PM,

7:49 PM, 8:19 PM, 8:48 PM, 9:18 PM, 9:48 PM, 10:18 PM and 10:48 PM.

Westbound: Depart Port Washington at 3:10 PM, 3:40 PM, 4:06 PM, 4:36 PM, 5:00 PM, 5:23 PM, 5:44 PM (dep.Great Neck), 6:20 PM (dep.Great Neck), 6:24 PM (lv. Port Washington), 6:44 PM (dep.Great Neck), 7:09 PM (dep. Port Washington), 7:39 PM, 8:09 PM, 8:39 PM, 9:09 PM, 9:39 PM, 10:09 PM and 10:39 PM.

The following Main Line trains will have added Woodside stops:

Eastbound: 9:16 PM and 10:16 PM trains from NY to Ronkonkoma, and 10:41 PM from NY to Babylon.

Westbound: 4:05 PM train from Huntington, 3:42 PM, 4:09 PM, 4:35 PM and

4:39 PM trains from Babylon, 5:14 PM from Long Beach.

Pre-Season April 4, 1:10 PM (vs Red Sox) & Regular Season Games

Eastbound: Depart NY at 10:19 AM, 10:48 AM, 11:19 AM, 11:48 AM, 12:04 PM, 12:19 PM, 12:48 PM, 1:19 PM, 1:48 PM, 2:19 PM, 2:48 PM, 3:19 PM, 3:48 PM, 4:19 PM, 4:48 PM, 5:19 PM, 5:48 PM, 6:19 PM, 6:48 PM and 7:19 PM.

Westbound: Depart Port Washington at 10:10 AM, 10:39 AM, 11:10 AM,

11:39 AM, 11:59 AM (dep.Great Neck), 12:10 PM, 12:33 PM, 12:39 PM, 1:10 PM, 1:39 PM, 2:10 PM, 2:39 PM, 3:10 PM, 3:39 PM, 4:10 PM, 4:39 PM, 5:10 PM, 5:39 PM, 6:10 PM, 6:39 PM,

7:10 PM and 7:39 PM.

The following Main Line trains will have added Woodside stops:

Eastbound: 4:10 PM train from NY to Babylon, 4:25 PM train from NY to Huntington, 4:40 PM, 5:10 PM and 5:40 PM trains from NY to Babylon, and

5:25 PM from NY to Huntington.

Westbound: 11:02 AM train from Huntington, 11:02 AM and 12:02 PM trains from Babylon, 12:02 PM train from Huntington.

Opening Night, April 13

On Opening Night, April 13, there will be additional eastbound trains from Penn Station to Mets-Willets Point and additional westbound trains from Great Neck on top of the regular Mets schedule. The full listing of Opening Day train service follows:

Eastbound (April 13, Opening Night, 7:10 PM Game Start)

Depart NY at 3:49 PM, 4:22 PM, 4:25 PM, 4:43 PM, 4:46 PM, 5:11 PM, 5:26 PM, 5:29 PM, 5:44 PM, 5:50 PM, 5:56 PM, 6:11 PM, 6:14 PM, 6:24 PM, 6:42 PM,

7:01 PM, 7:14 PM, 7:27 PM, 7:49 PM, 8:19 PM, 8:48 PM, 9:18 PM, 9:48 PM, 10:18 PM, 10:48 PM, 11:18 PM, 11:48 PM and 12:19 AM.

Westbound

Depart Port Washington at 4:06 PM, 4:36 PM, 5:00 PM, 5:23 PM,

5:44 PM (Dep. Great Neck), 6:04 PM (depart Great Neck),

6:20 PM (dep. Great Neck), 6:24 PM (dep. Port Washington), 6:44 PM (dep. Great Neck), 7:09 PM (dep. Port Washington), 7:39 PM, 8:09 PM, 8:39 PM, 9:09 PM, 9:39 PM, 10:09 PM, 10:39 PM, 11:39 PM and 12:40 AM.

The following Main Line trains will have added Woodside stops:

Eastbound: 10:16 PM train from NY to Ronkonkoma, 10:41 PM train from NY to Babylon, 11:09 PM train from NY to Huntington, 11:34 PM train from NY to Babylon.

Westbound: 4:09 PM, 4:35 PM, 4:39 PM trains from Babylon, 5:14 PM train from Long Beach, 5:53 PM train from Far Rockaway.

Monday to Friday-Night Games (start at 7:10 PM)

Eastbound: Trains leaving Penn Station at 3:49 PM, 4:25 PM, 4:46 PM, 5:14 PM, 5:29 PM, 5:50 PM, 5:56 PM, 6:14 PM, 6:42 PM, 7:14 PM; then half hourly between 7:49 PM and 12:19 AM.

Westbound: Trains leaving Port Washington at 4:06 PM, 4:36 PM, 5 PM, 5:23 PM, 6:24 PM, 7:09 PM; then half hourly 7:39 PM through 10:39 PM, then at 11:39 PM and 12:40 AM. Trains leaving Great Neck at 5:44 PM, 6:04 PM, 6:20 PM and 6:44 PM will also stop at Mets-Willets Point.

The following Main Line trains will have added stops at Woodside for weekday night games:

Eastbound: 10:16 PM, 10:41 PM, 11:09 PM and 11:34 PM trains from Penn Station.

Westbound: 4:09 PM from Babylon, 4:35 PM from Babylon, 4:39 PM from Babylon, 5:14 PM from Long Beach and 5:53 PM from Far Rockaway.

The LIRR's Mets-Willets Point Station is not handicapped accessible. The Flushing Line Mets-Willets Point subway station received a refurbishing that improved station appearance while introducing accessible features. In an effort to begin making the subway Flushing Line Mets-Willets Point station accessible via the Queens-bound local platform, two existing wooden elevated walkways (ramps) connecting the Queens-bound local platform to the station mezzanine were modified to make them ADA compliant; furthermore, a new ADA ramp connecting the existing ramps to the sidewalk on the south side of Roosevelt Avenue was built.

LIRR Customers with mobility impairments who are traveling to see the Mets should travel to Woodside Station. At Woodside Station, which is ADA accessible, customers should transfer to a Flushing-bound #7 subway train to the Mets-Willets Point subway stop, and then use the ramp to reach Roosevelt Avenue, across from the ballpark. To return to Woodside after the game, customers with mobility impairments should board the #7 subway and travel one stop east to its end point, the Flushing-Main Street Station. There, after a brief wait on the train, the subway will head west to Woodside. This is necessary due to the location of the ramp, which will only permit access to the eastbound platform.

Fans traveling from branches other than Port Washington can reach Mets-Willets Point by taking a regularly scheduled train to Woodside Station, then changing to an eastbound Port Washington Branch train. Since Mets-Willets Point is located in Zone 1, tickets to that zone from outlying stations are valid to Mets-Willets Point. However, passengers must retain their ticket stubs and inform ticket collectors of their intention to travel to Mets-Willets Point Stadium. Customers must hold onto their tickets, which will be collected at the Mets-Willets Point after they disembark.

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.

Mets-Willets Point 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 [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info).