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MTA Railroads to Provide Special Service on St. Patrick's Day

***Alcoholic Beverages Not Permitted on Trains, Stations or Platforms;
Subway on Regular Schedule; Some Buses Re-Routed for Fifth Avenue Parade***

The Long Island Rail Road and Metro-North Railroad will operate special service to help those traveling to the New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade on Thursday, March 17. Customers are advised **not** to bring any alcoholic beverages, open or closed, on trains, platforms and stations through 4 AM on March 18. Any alcoholic beverages will be confiscated by the MTA Police. LIRR bar carts will not be in operation this day.

Below are details about St. Patrick's Day schedules on MTA services.

New York City Subway

All subway lines and the Staten Island Railway will operate on regular weekday schedules.

Buses in New York City

The St. Patrick's Day Parade will run along Fifth Avenue from 44th Street to 79th Street. Fifteen local bus routes and 11 express bus routes will be temporarily affected. For more details, [see this press release](#) from New York City Transit.

Long Island Rail Road

The Long Island Rail Road will provide eighteen extra trains, nine westbound and nine eastbound, for those traveling to and from the parade, supplementing the regular weekday schedule. The extra trains will operate on the Babylon, Far Rockaway, Port Jefferson, Port Washington and Ronkonkoma Branches. For details on the schedules, [see this press release](#) from the Long Island Rail Road.

Metro-North Railroad

Metro-North will run three extra New York City-bound trains on the Hudson Line and two on the Harlem Line, supplementing the regular weekday schedules. In addition, Metro-North will add extra cars to trains on the Harlem and Hudson Lines in anticipation of increased ridership.

As in the past, there is no additional service on the New Haven Line.

For details on the schedules of the special trains, see [this press release](#) from Metro-North Railroad.

Bridges and Tunnels

There are no changes to normal weekday operations at MTA Bridges and Tunnels.