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MTA LIRR to Provide Additional New Year's Holiday Service on Dec. 30 & 31 and Jan. 1

Alcoholic Beverages Prohibited on LIRR Trains, Platforms, and at Stations on New Year's Eve through 12 Noon on New Year's Day

The MTA Long Island Rail Road will provide additional trains to and from Penn Station for the New Year's holiday. The extra service includes 14 additional eastbound afternoon trains on Friday, Dec. 30; ten additional westbound evening trains on New Year's Eve, Saturday, Dec. 31; and 14 additional eastbound trains from Penn Station during the early-morning hours for New Year's revelers returning from the City on New Year's Day, Sunday, Jan. 1.

The LIRR advises customers to purchase round trip tickets, including MetroCards for connecting subway and bus service, in advance in order to save time and avoid lines at LIRR ticket windows and New York City Transit MetroCard windows and ticket machines.

As in prior years, open alcoholic beverage containers will not be allowed on LIRR trains, platforms and at stations from 12 Noon on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 2011 through 12 Noon on New Year's Day, Jan. 1, 2012. MTA Police will enforce this restriction.

Extra Service from Penn Station Friday, Dec. 30

The 14 additional early afternoon eastbound trains (from Penn Station) on Friday, December 30 between 12:38 PM and 3:40 PM include:

Ronkonkoma Branch

- 12:38 PM stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville and all stops to Ronkonkoma (with the exception of Pinelawn)
- 1:38 PM stopping at Woodside, Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville and all stops to Ronkonkoma (with the exception of Pinelawn)

Babylon Branch

- 1:28 PM express to Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon
- 1:53 PM stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon
- 2:17 PM express to Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon
- 2:24 PM express to Lynbrook, then all stops to Babylon
- 3:00 PM stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon
- 3:31 PM express to Rockville Centre, then all stops to Babylon

Note: The 5:59 PM from Penn Station to Babylon will not operate on Friday, December 23. Customers will be accommodated by the 6:05 PM from Penn Station, which will make all stops from Merrick to Babylon that day.

Port Jefferson Branch (to Huntington)

- 2:08 PM stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, then all stops to Huntington
- 2:29 PM stopping at Forest Hills, Kew Gardens, Jamaica, New Hyde Park, then all stops to Huntington
- 3:24 PM stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Westbury, Hicksville

Port Washington Branch

- 3:18 PM stopping at Woodside, Flushing-Main St., then all stops to Port Washington.
- 3:40 PM stopping at Woodside, Flushing-Main St., then all stops to Great Neck

Far Rockaway Branch

- 3:48 PM stopping at Locust Manor, Laurelton, Rosedale, Valley Stream, then all stops to Far Rockaway

Port Jefferson Branch train with added stop:

On Friday, December 30 only, the 2:50 PM train from Huntington to Port Jefferson will instead originate at Jamaica at 1:46 PM

Extra Service to Manhattan – Sat., Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve)

The ten additional evening westbound trains (to Penn Station) on New Year's Eve between

5:09 PM and 8:09 PM include:

Port Jefferson Branch

- Leave Huntington at 7:08 PM, making all stops to Jamaica, then Penn Station.
- Leave Port Jefferson at 6:45 PM, making all stops to Huntington, then Hicksville, Jamaica and Penn Station

Babylon Branch

- Leave Babylon at 6:19 PM, making all stops to Lynbrook, then Jamaica and Penn Station.
- Leave Babylon at 7:19 PM, making all stops to Lynbrook, then Jamaica and Penn Station.

Montauk Branch

- Leave Speonk at 7:11 PM, making all stops to Babylon, then Jamaica and Penn Station.

Port Washington Branch

- Leave Port Washington at 6:09 PM, making all stops to Woodside, then Penn Station.
- Leave Port Washington at 7:09 PM, making all stops to Woodside, then Penn Station.
- Leave Port Washington at 8:09 PM, making all stops to Woodside, then Penn Station.

Ronkonkoma Branch

- Leave Ronkonkoma at 5:09 PM, making all stops (with the exception of Pinelawn) to Hicksville, then Mineola, Jamaica, and Penn Station.
- Leave Ronkonkoma at 7:21 PM, making all stops (with the exception of Pinelawn) to Hicksville, then Mineola, Jamaica, and Penn Station.

Extra Service returning from Manhattan – Sun., Jan. 1 (New Year's Day)

The LIRR will be operating on a weekend/holiday scheduled on Sunday, Jan. 1. The December monthly pass will be valid for travel on New Year's Day morning. Fourteen additional eastbound trains (from Penn Station) will be provided in the early-morning hours between

12:29 AM-4:19 AM on Sunday, Jan., 1, New Year's Day. They are detailed below:

Port Washington Branch

- 12:35 AM stopping at Woodside, Flushing-Main St., then all stops to Port Washington.
- 2:19 AM stopping at Woodside, Flushing-Main St., then all stops to Port Washington.
- 4:19 AM stopping at Woodside, Flushing-Main St., then all stops to Port Washington.

Long Beach Branch

- 2:44 AM stopping at Jamaica, Valley Stream, Lynbrook, then all stops to Long Beach.

Ronkonkoma Branch

- 12:29 AM stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville, then all stops to Ronkonkoma (with the exception of Pinelawn).
- 2:03 AM stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville, then all stops to Ronkonkoma (with the exception of Pinelawn).
- 3:53 AM stopping at Jamaica, Mineola, Hicksville, then all stops to Ronkonkoma (with the exception of Pinelawn).

Port Jefferson Branch

- 2:14 AM stopping at Jamaica, New Hyde Park, then all stops to Huntington.
- 3:12 AM stopping at Jamaica, New Hyde Park, then all stops to Port Jefferson.

Babylon Branch

- 1:11 AM stopping at Jamaica, Lynbrook, then all stops to Babylon.
- 2:11 AM stopping at Jamaica, Lynbrook, then all stops to Babylon.
- 2:59 AM stopping at Jamaica, Lynbrook, then all stops to Babylon.
- 3:29 AM stopping at Jamaica, Lynbrook, then all stops to Babylon.

Montauk Branch

- 1:29 AM stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, then all stops to Speonk.

Monday, Jan. 2

The LIRR will operate on a regular weekday schedule on Monday, Jan. 2, 2012.

December Monthly Passes

The December monthly commutation pass will be accepted for one courtesy ride only after midnight on December 31 and up until 10:00 AM on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012.

For additional information, customers can call 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and say: Long Island Rail Road. Customers can also visit the LIRR's website at www.mta.info. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider for the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 511.