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### Buses Replace Some Midday LIRR Trains on Montauk Branch between Babylon and Speonk for Rail Inspections October 9 & 12

The MTA Long Island Rail Road will provide bus service in place of some midday trains between Babylon and Speonk on the Montauk Branch Tuesday, October 9 and Friday,

October 12 as track inspections are performed.

The rail testing, which is being performed between Babylon and Sayville from approximately 9:15 AM until 12 Noon each day, will result in buses replacing train service between Babylon and Patchogue or Speonk for three eastbound and three westbound midday trains.

#### October 9 & 12

##### Eastbound:

The 8:52 AM train from Jamaica to Patchogue will terminate at Babylon, and the 10:25 AM train from Babylon to Patchogue will be canceled on both October 9 and 12. Customers for both these trains will receive bus service from Babylon to Patchogue.

Additionally, on October 9 only, the 11:26 AM train from Babylon to Speonk will be canceled. Customers for this train will receive bus service from Babylon to Speonk.

Eastbound customers using the substitute bus service should allow for up to 23 minutes additional travel time.

##### Westbound:

The 9:40 AM, 10:40 AM and 11:40 AM trains from Patchogue to Babylon will all be canceled on both October 9 and 12. Customers at stations Patchogue through Bay Shore will board buses at their stations for travel to Babylon where a train connection can be made for points west.

Customers will board buses up to 18 minutes later than regular scheduled train times and should anticipate increased travel time of up to 18 minutes, depending on their destination.

The Sperry Rail Car, which will be performing the specialized track inspection, is a bright yellow vehicle fitted with ultrasonic and induction test equipment, and it's designed to detect internal rail defects not readily visible to the eye. Defects that are found will be corrected immediately by a crew of LIRR track maintenance workers. The Sperry Rail Car is used twice a year to inspect approximately 500 miles of LIRR track.

For additional information, customers can consult the [LIRR's website](http://www.mta.info/lirr) at [www.mta.info/lirr](http://www.mta.info/lirr) or contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and say: Long Island Rail Road. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, use your preferred relay service provider for the free 711 relay to reach LIRR at 511.