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Memorial Day 2012: MTA Getaways and Service Plans

LIRR & Metro-North to Provide Extra Service on Friday, May 25

Memorial Day is coming on Monday, May 28, which means the MTA will add extra trains on Friday, May 25, to help New Yorkers get an early start on the long three-day weekend. And on Memorial Day, all MTA services will operate on Sunday schedules. Details are below.

New York City Subway

Subway customers are reminded to use the **A, C, D or Q** instead of the **B** and the **J** instead of the **Z**. In addition, on Sundays, some subway routes are shortened:

- **J** trains run between Jamaica Center and Chambers Street
- **M** trains run between Metropolitan Avenue and Myrtle Avenue-Broadway
- **Q** trains run between 57th Street-7th Avenue and Coney Island-Stillwell Avenue
- **5** trains run between Dyre Avenue and Bowling Green (daytime) and East 180th Street (overnight)

Long Island Rail Road

The LIRR will provide additional early-afternoon train service from Penn Station on Friday, May 25 on the Babylon, Far Rockaway, Montauk, Port Jefferson, Port Washington and Ronkonkoma Branches. On Saturday, May 26, the LIRR will offer a special escorted package to Calverton National Cemetery for those wishing to visit the grave of a loved one.

For details, please [see the attached press release from the Long Island Rail Road](#).

Metro-North Railroad

Beginning at noon on Friday, May 25, Metro-North will offer extra early afternoon departures from Grand Central Terminal on all three lines – Hudson, Harlem and New Haven.

For details, please [see the attached press release from Metro-North Railroad](#).

MTA Bridges and Tunnels

MTA Bridges and Tunnels will suspend all routine maintenance work beginning 1 p.m. on Friday, May 25, through the end of the morning rush on Tuesday, May 29, to accommodate motorists traveling throughout the busy travel weekend. Motorists can ease their trip by using E-ZPass.

For more details, please [see the attached press release from MTA Bridges and Tunnels](#).

Staten Island Railway

MTA Staten Island Railway will operate its Early Departure Get Away schedule on Friday, May 25. This schedule means extra SIR trains will be added earlier in the afternoon beginning at 2:30 p.m. from the St. George Ferry Terminal. There will be one express train and one local train awaiting every boat until 7:50 p.m. The Early Departure Get Away service plan on SIR is also available on Tuesday, July 3 (before Independence Day), Labor Day weekend, Christmas and New Year's. It will also operate on the day before Thanksgiving.

For all services, customers are encouraged to visit www.mta.info for "Current Service Changes" and "Planned Service Changes." They may subscribe to our free email or text message alerts or use Triplanner+ to plan their rides.