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### Service Reduced from Hourly to 2 Hourly on Saturday June 6 from 3 p.m-10 p.m. for the Belmont Stakes

#### *Hempstead Branch Travel Alert*

Service on the Hempstead Branch will be reduced from one train every hour to one train every two hours this coming Saturday, June 6 between 3 p.m. and 10 p.m. when one track is taken out of regular service to help the Long Island Rail Road meet the extra service demand to and from Belmont Park for the Belmont Stakes. The service change affects all service between Hempstead and Atlantic Terminal in Brooklyn as well as Penn Station via connections at Jamaica.

#### **Westbound**

The 4:11 p.m., 6:11 p.m., 8:11 p.m. and 10:17 p.m. trains from Hempstead are cancelled. Instead, take trains departing Hempstead, and making all stops to Jamaica, at 3:11 p.m., 5:11 p.m., 7:11 p.m., 9:11 p.m. and 11:21 p.m.

#### **Eastbound**

The 2:45 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 6:45 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. trains from Atlantic Terminal to Hempstead are cancelled. Instead, the following trains will depart Atlantic Terminal at 1:45 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 5:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 9:45 p.m. and 10:57 p.m.

The service reduction is necessary in order to stage Belmont Stakes trains along one track of the double track Hempstead Branch, leaving one track available to operate regular Hempstead Branch service. Normal service will operate before and after this period of reduced service.

#### **For More Information**

Pick up a copy of the orange Hempstead Branch Special Timetable for Saturday, June 6 at LIRR terminals and stations or find it on the web at [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info). Customers may also call 511, the New York State Travel Information line for LIRR information.