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Weekend Subway Service Advisory

Enhanced M14A Bus Service, Special Weekend  Service & Shuttle Buses Provide Alternate Service for  Line Customers this Weekend

Service Changes are Part of Subway Action Plan, Station Repairs and Other Ongoing Maintenance, and Upgrade Work for Improvements on Multiple Lines

These weekend service changes are part of the [MTA Subway Action Plan](#), station improvements in Queens and Manhattan, and ongoing maintenance, repair and upgrade work throughout the MTA New York City Transit subway system to maintain and upgrade track, signal, station and other infrastructure in order to provide customers with safe and reliable service. More information on the 2015-2019 MTA Capital Program is available [here](#). Background information about the  train preparatory work this weekend is available [in this press release](#).

This weekend, work crews will be dispersed throughout the entire subway system to perform a variety of critical tasks in the areas of track replacement and maintenance, signal modernization, station enhancements, electrical upgrades and communication improvements. All this work is aligned with the MTA Subway Action Plan, a comprehensive plan to stabilize and modernize the subway system by attacking the key drivers of 79 percent of delay-causing major incidents and strategically targeting additional personnel and equipment to focus on critical parts of the system.

For a simple, graphical guide that makes it easy to visualize how this weekend maintenance, upgrade and repair work will affect subway service – and what alternative travel options are recommended – consult The Weekender at web.mta.info/weekender.html. The Weekender is accessible through the [MTA website](#) by clicking the “Weekender” tab within the Service Status Menu, and is also available as a free app for iPhone and Android devices.

[TripPlanner+](#) is an online tool that provides customized travel guidance based on available service and takes weekend service diversions into account. In addition, customers can receive customized subway status emails or texts by signing up at www.MyMTAalerts.com.

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At all times until winter 2018-19, downtown trains skip 238 St due to station improvements. As an alternative, take the Bx9 to 231 St, or take an uptown train to 242 St and transfer to a downtown train.

1 2

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov 19, uptown trains skip 50 St, 59 St, and 66 St due to track maintenance near Times Square-42 St. As an alternative, use a downtown **1** or **2** local to complete your trip. Transfer at 72 St or Times Square-42 St.

2 3

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, Manhattan-bound trains run express from Franklin Av to Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use a Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound **2** or New Lots Av bound **3** to complete your trip. Transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr or Franklin Av.

3

At all times until November 2018, trains will skip 145 St in both directions due to MTA's Enhanced Station Initiative project. The 145 St station opened more than a century ago in 1904. As crews make critical repairs to the station infrastructure such as concrete and metal platforms, stairs, beams and columns, they will also modernize the station with enhancements to all entrances including stairs, LED lighting, digital signage providing real-time service information, and new turnstile areas with security cameras and brighter lighting. Countdown clocks and Help Points, which allow customers to communicate quickly with staff for assistance or emergencies, will be installed. New station furniture and platform safety enhancements such as tactile edge warning strips also will be installed to improve customer safety. For subway service, use nearby stations at 148 St **3**, 145 St **A C B D**, or 135 St **2 3**. Use M7 and M102 buses along Lenox Av, or the Bx19 along 145 St and transfer to the subway with a MetroCard. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions, click [here](#).

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From 11:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, **2** trains and free shuttle buses replace **3** service between 96 St and Harlem-148 St due to tactile installation and other station improvements at 145 St. **3** trains will run between New Lots Av and 96 St, and via the **1** line to 137 St, the last stop, all weekend. Free shuttle buses will run between Harlem-148 St and 135 St. Transfer between **2 3** trains at 96 St and between **2** trains and shuttle buses at 135 St.

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From 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov 19, **4** trains will not run between New Lots Av and Bowling Green in either direction due to station improvements at Borough Hall. **4** trains will run between Woodlawn and Bowling Green. **3** trains will operate to/from New Lots Av all weekend. For service between Manhattan and Brooklyn, take the **2** or **3** via transfer at Fulton St.

4

From 3:45 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, downtown trains skip 176 St, Mt Eden, 170 St, 167 St, and 161 St due to track replacement. As an alternative, use an uptown train to complete your trip. Transfer at 149 St-Grand Concourse of Burnside Av.

4

From 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, trains run every 16 minutes between 125 St and Woodlawn due to track replacement. The last stop for some trains headed towards Woodlawn is 125 St. Transfer at 125 St to continue your trip.

4 6

At all times until December 2018, 4 6 trains will skip 28 St in both directions due to MTA's Enhanced Station Initiative project. The 28 St station is one of the oldest in the subway system, opening in October 1904. See the second 3 entry above for project details. For alternate service, use the nearby 6 stations along Park Avenue South at 33 St or 23 St. Or, use the nearby 28 St R N station on Broadway. Local buses are also available along Lexington and Madison avenues. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions, click [here](#).

4 6

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, uptown trains skip 23 St and 33 St due to station enhancements at 28 St. As an alternative, use a downtown 4 local or 6 to complete your trip. Transfer at Grand central-42 St or 14 St-Union Sq.

A C

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, downtown trains skip 50 St, 23 St, and Spring St due to track replacement. As an alternative, use an uptown A local or C to complete your trip. Transfer at Canal St, W 4 St-Wash Sq, 14 St, 34 St-Penn Station, 42 St-Port Authority, or 59 St-Columbus Circle A C. As a reminder, C trains do not run overnight.

A C

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19 uptown trains run express from 59 St-Columbus Circle to 145 St C/168 St A due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use a downtown A local or C to complete your trip. Downtown A trains will stop at 163 St, 155 St, and 135 St. Transfer at 168 St A, 145 St, 125 St, or 59 St-Columbus Circle. As a reminder, C trains do not run overnight.

A C

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, trains skip 103 St in both directions due to station maintenance. For uptown service, use the M10 bus, days/evenings. Or, take the 1 at nearby 103 St station; transfer to the A at 168 St. For downtown service, use the nearby 96 St or 110 St stations. As a reminder, C trains do not run overnight.

B D

At all times until December 2018, trains will skip 174-175 Sts in both directions due to MTA's Enhanced Station Initiative project. As an alternative, customers are advised to use the nearby Tremont Av **B D** or 170 St **B D** stations. Use the Bx1 or Bx2 along Grand Concourse and transfer to **B D** trains at Tremont Av or 170 St with a MetroCard. For either station, customers transferring to another bus can ask the driver for a MetroCard Bus Transfer, which can be used on another local bus ride within two hours. For return trips, ask the station agent at the Tremont Av **B D** or 170 St **B D** station for a transfer to the bus. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions, and listing of nearby bus routes, click [here](#).

C

From 9:45 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, and from 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 17 and Nov. 18, trains will not run between 145 St and 168 St due to track maintenance. Take the **A** instead. **C** trains will run between Euclid Av and 145 St. Downtown **A** trains will stop at 1163 St, 155 St, and 135 St. Transfer at 125 St or 145 St.

D

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 6 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, Norwood-205 St bound **D** trains run express from 36 St to Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr, and skip DeKalb Av due to track maintenance near DeKalb Av. Use the **N** local or **R** to complete your trip. Transfer at 36 St or Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr.

E

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, downtown trains skip 23 St and Spring St due to track replacement. As an alternative, use an uptown **A** local, **C** or **E** to complete your trip. Transfer at Canal St, W 4 St-Wash Sq, 14 St or 34 St-Penn Station.

E R

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, Jamaica-bound **E R** trains run express from Queens Plaza to 71 Av due to the ongoing Queens Boulevard signal modernization project. As an alternative, use a Manhattan-bound **E** local or **R** to complete your trip. Transfer at 71 Av, Roosevelt Av, or Queens Plaza. As a reminder, **R** service is extended to Jamaica-179 St this weekend. **R** trains do not run overnight in Queens.

F

At all times until December 2018, **F** trains will skip 57 St in both directions due to MTA's Enhanced Station Initiative project. When this project is completed, customers will benefit from new station entrances enhanced with digital signage providing real-time information, countdown clocks, new railings or canopies, and brighter, more energy-efficient lighting, upgraded turnstile areas with glass barriers, security cameras, new information centers and digital dashboards. Platforms will be outfitted with new platform edge warning strips, accessible boarding areas, new seating furniture, digital dashboards with wayfinding information and new countdown clocks. For alternate service, use nearby stations at 57 St-7 Av **N Q R W**, 5 Av/59 St **N R W**, 7 Av **B D E**, 5 Av/53 St **E M**, or 47-50 Sts **B D F M**. Local buses are also available along Fifth Avenue, Sixth Avenue and 57th Street. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions, and listing of nearby bus routes, click [here](#).

F M

At all times until December 2018, trains will skip 23 St in both directions due to MTA's Enhanced Station Initiative project. The 23 St station opened around the time of World War II, in December 1940. Crews are making extensive repairs to fix structural defects and deterioration, and include functional station improvements, leading to an enhanced customer experience for approximately 31,000 daily riders who use the station. For alternate service, use the nearby 34 St-Herald Sq or 14 St stations along Sixth Avenue. Or, use the nearby 23 St **R W** station on Broadway. Local buses are also available along Sixth and Seventh avenues. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions, and listing of nearby bus routes, click [here](#).

G

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, Court Sq-bound trains skip Bedford-Nostrand Av due to station maintenance. As an alternative, use a Church Av-bound train to complete your trip. Transfer at Myrtle-Willoughby Avs or Classon Av.

J

From 3:45 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, to 10 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, free shuttle buses and **E** trains replace **J** trains between Crescent St and Jamaica Center due to station rehabilitation at 104 St. **J** service will operate between Broad St and Crescent St. Free shuttle buses will make all station stops between Crescent St and 121 St, and connect with the **E** at Jamaica-Van Wyck. Transfer between trains and free shuttle buses at Jamaica-Van Wyck **E**, and/or Crescent St **J**. As a reminder, the Jamaica Center-bound platform at 104 St is closed for renovations.

L

From approximately 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16, to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, service is suspended in both directions between 8 Av and Broadway Junction due to extensive track maintenance at Wilson Av, and signal improvements and station work at Bedford Av. For the remainder of 2018, **L** service on weekends will run as normal. In 2012, the **L** tunnel suffered the devastating effects of Superstorm Sandy when it was flooded with seven million gallons of salt water, damaging vital infrastructure and systems such as power, signal and communication cables, tracks, switches, lighting, cable ducts and bench walls in the 7,110-foot tunnel. While we were able to drain the tubes and restore service just 10 days after the storm, it was clear that the damage Sandy left in its wake simply must be addressed and a full reconstruction of the tunnel is required. This weekend's improvement work will help prepare the L line for reliable service when the **L** tunnel between Brooklyn and Manhattan is reconstructed in 2019, causing **L** trains to run in Brooklyn only for 15 months.

To minimize the impact of these preparations, the work is being done on weekends when ridership is significantly lower. This weekend, trains will not run between 8 Av and Broadway Junction. **L** trains will run between Rockaway Pkwy and Broadway Junction. M14 and free shuttle buses will provide alternate service between 8 Av and Broadway Junction. Free shuttle buses will operate along the following three routes: between Marcy Av JM and Lorimer St; between Lorimer St and Myrtle-Wyckoff Avs; between Myrtle-Wyckoff Avs and Broadway Junction. Transfer between trains and buses at Myrtle Wyckoff Avs **M**, Broadway Junction **A C J L**, Marcy Av **J M**, Delancey-Essex Sts **F M J** and M14 bus, or 14 St/6 Av **F M** and M14 bus. Additional nearby subway and local bus service is also provided to accommodate customers. **M** trains will provide additional service into Manhattan from 10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Oct. 19, and will operate between Metropolitan Av and 47-50 Sts, and via the **Q** line between Lexington Av/63 St and 96 St.

M

From 10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, trains will run between Metropolitan Av and 47-50 Sts, and replaces **Q** service between Lexington Av/63 St and 96 St due to track maintenance on the **L** line.

N

At all times until spring 2019, Coney Island-Stillwell Av bound trains skip Fort Hamilton Pkwy, New Utrecht Av, 18 Av, and 20 Av, due to station rehabilitation work on the [Sea Beach Line](#). When finished, this will yield a better travel experience for customers, including the installation of elevators at 8 Av and New Utrecht Av stations, providing mobility impaired customers with better accessibility, upgraded communication systems, installation of Help Point intercoms, new stairways and handrails, reconstructed platforms and overpasses, repairs to canopies and columns, and artwork. For service to these stations, use a Manhattan-bound train to complete your trip. Transfer at Bay Pkwy or 8 Av. For New Utrecht Av-62 St, take the **D** instead. Transfer between **N** and **D** trains at 36 St.

N

At all times until July 2019, trains will run local in both directions between 59 St and 36 St in Brooklyn due to structural rehabilitation work to repair and replace steel columns, lighting, ventilators, and deteriorated concrete, and perform water mitigation work to address water seepage in the express tunnel between the 59 St and 36 St stations. **N** trains will stop at 53 St and 45 St in both directions.

N

At all times until February 2019, trains will skip [Broadway and 39 Av](#) in both directions due to MTA's Enhanced Station Initiative project. When this project is completed, customers will benefit from critical structural and safety repairs and improvements to concrete and steel features such as columns, beams, platforms, walls and stairs. There will also be other improvements and upgrades such as improved waterproofing, a reconfigured mezzanine area including new glass barriers, new security cameras, LED lighting for increased light and energy efficiency, and enhanced signage for easier navigation including digital, real-time service change and train and bus arrival information. For alternate service, use the nearby open Astoria line stations at 30 Av, 36 Av, or Queensboro Plaza via the Q102 bus. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions, click [here](#).

N

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, Astoria-bound trains skip 30 Av and 36 Av and due to station enhancements at 39 Av and Broadway. As an alternative, use a Coney Island-Stillwell Av bound **N** train to complete your trip. Transfer at Astoria Blvd or Queensboro Plaza. As a reminder, trains skip Broadway and 39 Av in both directions until February 2019 due to station renovations.

N

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, **N** trains are rerouted via the **R** (Lower Manhattan) in both directions between Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr and Canal St due to track maintenance near DeKalb Av. Trains will stop at DeKalb Av, Jay St-MetroTech, Court St, Whitehall St, Rector St, Cortlandt St, and City Hall.

Q

From 10:45 p.m. Friday, Nov 16, to 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19, free shuttle buses and **D M N R** trains replace **Q** trains between Prospect Park and 96 St due to track maintenance near 7 Av. **Q** trains will run between Coney Island-Stillwell Av and Prospect Park. **M** trains will run to/from the 96 St **Q** station all weekend. Free shuttle buses will make all **Q** line station stops between Prospect Park and Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr. Transfer between **Q** trains and free shuttle buses at Prospect Park, and/or between buses and **D N R** trains at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr. Transfer between **D N R** trains and **M** trains at 34 St-Herald Sq. Consider using **D F N** trains for service to/from Coney Island-Stillwell Av.

R

From 5:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 17 and Nov. 18, service runs to/from the Jamaica-179 St **F** station.