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### Weekend Subway Service Advisory

*Service Changes are Part of Subway Action Plan, Station Repairs and Other Ongoing Maintenance, and Upgrade Work for Improvements on Multiple Lines; Special Subway and Bus Service on Presidents' Day, Feb. 18*

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](#).







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](http://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](http://www.MyMTAalerts.com).

#### Special Subway and Bus Service on Presidents' Day, Feb. 18

##### New York City Subways and Buses

On Presidents' Day, Monday, Feb. 18, the New York City Subway will operate on a Saturday schedule with some planned service changes due to scheduled maintenance and repair work. As a reminder, some subway lines do not run on weekends: there will be no   express,  and  trains will not operate, and customers are reminded to use the  instead of the .









As a reminder, [LaGuardia Link Q70 Select Bus Service](#) is operating fare-free over the Presidents' Day weekend from Thursday, Feb. 14, to Monday, Feb. 18.

On Presidents' Day, Monday, Feb. 18, New York City buses will operate on a Saturday schedule. Staten Island local and express buses will operate on a reduced weekday schedule. For the real-time position of buses on all bus routes, use the MYmta or MTA Bus Time smartphone apps, or visit [bustime.mta.info](http://bustime.mta.info)

##### Staten Island Railway

On Presidents' Day, Monday, Feb. 18, the Staten Island Railway will operate on a Sunday schedule.



At all times until early 2020, trains skip 168 St in both directions due to elevator replacement work. For alternate service take the   at/to this station. Transfer between  and  trains at 59 St-Columbus Circle. A free out-of-system transfer with a MetroCard is available between the 207 St or 215 St  and 207 St . Take the M5 to/from 157 St . Late nights, the M5 will run between 168 St and 157 St. This work is part of a [major elevator replacement project](#) at five separate “deep” stations in the Washington Heights section of Manhattan. The  line part of the 168 St station is 112 years old. Some of the oldest components in these elevators and the accompanying machine rooms are more than 90 years old. When completed, the

elevator doors at 168 St **1** will open at both the front and rear sides at the lower mezzanine level. The rear passageway behind the elevators at the lower mezzanine level will be reopened in order to improve customer flow. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions, [click here](#).

**4**

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, uptown trains will skip Canal St, Spring St, Bleecker St, and Astor Pl due to station maintenance at all four stations. As an alternative, use a downtown **4** local or 6 to complete your trip. Transfer at 14 St-Union Sq or Brooklyn Bridge-City Hall.

**4**

From 3:45 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, to 10 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18, downtown trains will skip 176 St, Mt Eden, 170 St, 167 St, and 161 St-Yankee Stadium due to track replacement between 167 St and 161 St-Yankee Stadium. As an alternative, use an uptown **4** to complete your trip. Transfer at 149 St-Grand Concourse or Burnside Av.

**4**

From 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17, and from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18, trains will run every 16 minutes between 125 St and Woodlawn due to track replacement between 167 St and 161 St-Yankee Stadium. The last stop for some uptown **4** trains will be 125 St. Transfer at 125 St to continue your trip.

**6**

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, uptown trains will skip Canal St, Spring St, Bleecker St, and Astor Pl due to station maintenance. As an alternative, use a downtown **4** local or **6** to complete your trip. Transfer at 14 St-Union Sq or Brooklyn Bridge-City Hall.

**6**

From 6:45 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, and Sunday, Feb. 17, Brooklyn Bridge-City Hall bound trains will skip Buhre Av, Middletown Rd, Westchester Sq, Zerega Av, and Castle Hill Av due to track maintenance near Pelham Bay Park. As an alternative, use a Pelham Bay Park-bound **6** to complete your trip. Transfer at Parkchester or Pelham Bay Park.

**A**

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, uptown trains will skip 135 St, 155 St, and 163 St due to track and switch maintenance. As an alternative, use downtown **A** to complete your trip. For 135 St, take the **D**. Transfer at 168 St, 145 St or 125 St.

**A**

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, uptown trains will run express from 59 St-Columbus Circle to 125 St due to structural maintenance at 103 St station. Trains will skip 103 St in both descriptions. As an alternative, use a downtown **A** local or **C** to complete your trip via transfer at 125 St or 59 St-Columbus Circle. For 103 St, use the nearby 103 St **1** station via transfer at 59 St, or take the M10 bus.

**A**

From 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, downtown trains will stop at 163 St, 155 St and 135 St due to track and switch maintenance.

**B**

Beginning 8:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 15, service will end early due to track and switch maintenance near 168 St. As an alternative, use **C** **D** and/or **Q** trains. As a reminder, **B** service does not run on weekends.

**C**

From 9:45 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, and from 6:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday to Monday, Feb. 16 to Feb. 18, trains will not run between 145 St and 168 St due to track and switch maintenance near 168 St. Take the **A** instead. **C** trains will run between Euclid Av and 145 St. Downtown **A** trains will stop at 163 St, 155 St, and 135 St. Transfer at 125 St or 145 St.

**C**

From 9:45 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, and from 6:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday to Monday, Feb. 16 to Feb. 18, uptown trains will run express from 59 St-Columbus Circle to 125 St due to structural maintenance at 103 St station. Trains will skip 103

St in both descriptions. As an alternative, use a downtown **A** local or **C** to complete your trip via transfer at 125 St or 59 St-Columbus Circle. For 103 St, use the nearby 103 St **I** station via transfer at 59 St, or take the M10 bus.

**D**

From 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, uptown trains will stop at 135 St due to track and switch maintenance near 168 St.

**E**

From 12:01 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, trains will run local in both directions between Queens Plaza and Forest Hills-71 Av due to signal modernization.

**F**

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, **F** trains run between 179 St and Church Av due to track and switch maintenance near Ditmas Av. Free shuttle buses will replace trains between Church Av and Coney Island-Stillwell Av, making all **F** station stops between Church Av and Coney Island-Stillwell Av. Transfer between trains and buses at Church Av. For direct service between Coney Island-Stillwell Av and downtown Brooklyn/Manhattan, take the **D** **N** or **Q**.

**F**

From 12:01 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, trains will run local in both directions between 21 St-Queensbridge and Forest Hills-71 Av due to signal modernization.

**J**

At all times until summer 2019, trains skip 111 St in both directions due station rehabilitation work. The elevated 111 St station opened for service in 1917, and its structure has not been replaced since the station was built. The platform girders at 111 St will be replaced as part of structural improvements at several Jamaica Line stations, that will benefit thousands of customers who rely on the line between Manhattan and Queens, and provide a safe station environment for many more decades to come. For more details about this critical structural repair project, refer to this [prior press release](#). As an alternative, use nearby stations at 104 St or 121 St to complete your trip. Take the Q56 bus to/from 104 St and 121 St **J** **Z** stations; free transfer with MetroCard. Additional free transfers with MetroCard will be available between Q37, Q56 and the subway at 104 St, 121 St, or Woodhaven Blvd stations. The Q56 will run with enhanced service between 111 St and 121 St. For a graphical guide to these alternate travel directions [click here](#).

**J**

From 3:45 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, to 10 p.m. Monday, Feb. 18, **J** trains will run between Broad St and Crescent St due to station rehabilitation work at 111 St. Free shuttle buses and **E** trains will replace **J** trains between Crescent St and Jamaica Center. Free shuttle buses will make all **J** line 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**. For service to JFK Airport Air Train, use the Howard Beach-JFK **A** station via transfer at Broadway Junction.

**L**

From approximately 10:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, **L** trains will run between Rockaway Pkwy and Broadway Junction due to reliability improvements. Trains will not run between Broadway Junction and 8 Av in Manhattan. More information on this critical work is available [here](#).

During this work, **M** trains will provide service into Manhattan by running between Metropolitan Av and 47-50 Sts, via the **F** line between 47-50 Sts and Lexington Av/63 St, and via the **Q** line between Lexington Av/63 St and 96 St.





Free shuttle buses will also operate along three routes, detailed below. Transfer at Myrtle Wyckoff Avs **M**, Broadway Junction **A** **C** **J** **L**, Marcy Av **J** **M**, Delancey-Essex Sts **F** **J** **M**/M14A, or 14 St/6 Av **F** **M** and M14 bus. A graphical guide to these changes is available [here](#).

- Loop serving Marcy Av **J** **M**, Hewes St **J** **M**, Broadway **G**, Lorimer St, and Bedford Av;
- between Lorimer St and Myrtle-Wyckoff Avs;
- between Myrtle-Wyckoff Avs and Broadway Junction.



**M**

Beginning 9:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, service will end early between Forest Hills-71 Av and 47-50 Sts due to signal modernization. Take the **E** and/or **R**. For Queens, take the **R** via transfer at 34 St-Herald Sq. For Court Sq, Lexington Av-53 St and 5 Av/53 St, take the **E** via transfer at W 4 St.





**M**

From 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, special weekend  service will run between Metropolitan Av and 47-50 Sts, and via the  to/from Lexington Av/63 St, and via the  to/from 96 St due to reliability improvements on the  line.




From 3:45 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, to 10 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 17,  trains will run between Coney Island-Stillwell Av and Queensboro Plaza due to station improvements at Ditmars Blvd. Free shuttle buses will replace trains between Ditmars Blvd and Queensboro Plaza, making all  line station stops between Ditmars Blvd and Queensboro Plaza. Transfer between trains and buses at Queensboro Plaza.





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  instead. Transfer between  and  trains at 36 St.



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.  trains will stop at 53 St and 45 St in both directions.





From 9:45 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Monday, Feb. 18, downtown trains skip 49 St due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use an uptown  local or  to complete your trip. Transfer at Times Sq-42 St or 5 St-7 Av.






From 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, to 5 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, uptown trains will stop at Prince St, 8 St-NYU, 23 St and 28 St due to track maintenance.



From 9:45 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, and from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 16 and Feb. 17, downtown trains skip 49 St due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use an uptown  local or  to complete your trip. Transfer at Times Sq-42 St or 5 St-7 Av.



Beginning 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15, service will end early due to track maintenance between Prince St and 34 St-Herald Square. Take the  or . As a reminder,  service does not run on weekends.