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Weekend Subway Service Advisory July 19 to 22

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](#).

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.

Through summer 2020, the MTA is rehabilitating the **L** tunnel using an improved construction plan that maintains regular weekday and peak hour service for 90 percent of **L** customers, as weekday and peak hour service are unchanged. The project minimizes construction-related disruption to riders and communities near the work sites while yielding cost savings due to the revised work plan. Click [here](#) for more information.

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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From 11:30 p.m. Friday, July 19, to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, **A** **C** trains, shuttle buses, and M3 will replace **1** trains between 137 St and 96 St due to critically important switch replacement work at the 96 Street Interlocking in Manhattan. The project will take place in phases, ultimately leading to the installation of entirely new switches between the northbound express and local tracks at the 96 St Interlocking on the Seventh Avenue **1** **2** **3** Lines. The current switches were installed in 1990 and are nearing the end of their useful life. Workers will use the service outages to complete additional work throughout numerous stations along the **1** **2** **3** lines, including installing new track, repairing existing track and track beds, cleaning drains, and fixing signals. Ultimately, this work will help improve long term service reliability and was chosen for completion during weekends in late July and August in order to impact the smallest amount of customers possible. For more information regarding this critical work, refer to this [prior press release](#).

This weekend, **1** service will run in two sections: between Van Cortlandt Park-242 St and 137 St, and between South Ferry and 96 St, and via the **3** to/from Harlem-148 St, skipping 145 St. Shuttle buses will run between 96 St and 137 St. Transfer at 96 St and/or 137 St.

1

Until early 2020, trains skip 168 St in both directions due to elevator replacement work. For alternate service take the **A** C at/to this station. Transfer between **1** and **A** trains at 59 St-Columbus Circle. A free out-of-system transfer with a MetroCard is available between the 207 St or 215 St **1** and 207 St **A**. Take

the M5 to/from 157 St **1**. 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 **1** 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](#).

1

Through July 2019, the uptown platform at [Franklin St](#) is EXIT ONLY due to the installation of flood protection equipment. For uptown service from this station, take a downtown train to Chambers St and transfer to an uptown **1 2** or **3**. Or, use the nearby Canal St **1** station.

1 2

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, uptown trains will skip 79 St and 86 St due to track and switch maintenance near 125 St. As an alternative, use a downtown **1** or **2** local to complete your trip. Transfer at 96 St or 72 St.

2 3

Through July 2019, Manhattan-bound trains skip [Eastern Pkwy-Brooklyn Museum](#) due to accessibility improvements. During this closure, use the nearby Franklin Av **2 3 4 5** or Grand Army Plaza **2 3** stations. Or, use a Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound **2** or Crown Hts-Utica Av/New Lots Av-bound **3** (**4** local train) to complete your trip. Transfer at Grand Army Plaza or Franklin Av.

2 4

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, Manhattan-bound trains will skip Grand Army Plaza and Bergen St due to accessibility improvements. Complete your trip with a Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound **2**, or New Lots Av-bound **4** local train via transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr or Franklin Av. As a reminder, Manhattan-bound trains are skipping Eastern Pkwy-Brooklyn Museum due to ongoing station rehabilitation work.

2 5

Through July 2019, Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound trains skip [President St](#) due to station rehabilitation work. During this closure, for service to President St, take a Flatbush Av-bound **2 5** to Sterling St and transfer to a Manhattan-bound **2** or **5** train. For service from President St, use the B44 local or B44 SBS bus. Or, take a Manhattan-bound **2 5** to Franklin Av and transfer to a Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College-bound **2** or **5** train.

2 5

Through August 2019, Manhattan-bound trains skip [Winthrop St](#) due to station rehabilitation work. During this closure, for service to Winthrop St, use the nearby Sterling St or Church Avenue stations. Or, take a **2 5** train to Sterling St and transfer to a Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound **2** or **5**. For service from Winthrop St, take the B44 local or B44 SBS bus, or **2 5** to Church Av and transfer to a Manhattan-bound **2** or **5** train.

3

From 9:45 p.m. to 11 p.m. Friday, July 19, Manhattan-bound trains will skip Grand Army Plaza and Bergen St due to accessibility improvements including elevator installation and ADA platform improvements at [Eastern Pkwy-Brooklyn Museum](#). Complete your trip with a Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound **2**, or New Lots Av-bound **3 4** local train via transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr or Franklin Av. As a reminder, Manhattan-bound trains are skipping Eastern Pkwy-Brooklyn Museum due to ongoing station rehabilitation work.

3

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, **1 2 4** trains and free shuttle buses will replace **3** service due to track and switch maintenance near 125 St. Free shuttle buses will run between Harlem-148 St and 135 St, stopping at 145 St. **1** trains will make **3** stops in Manhattan between Harlem-148 St and Chambers St (trains will skip 145 St). **2** trains will make **3** line station stops between 135 St and Franklin Av. **4** trains will make **3** stops between Franklin Av and New Lots Av. Transfer between **1 2** trains and buses at 135 St, and between **2** and **4** at Franklin Av.

4

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, **4** service will run to/from New Lots Av. **4** trains will make all **3** line station stops between Nevins St and New Lots Av.

5

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, free shuttle buses will replace trains between Eastchester-Dyre Av and E 180 St due to station renewal work at Gun Hill Rd. **5** trains will run days/evenings between Bowling Green and E 180 St. Free shuttle buses will make all **5** line station stops between Eastchester-Dyre Av and E 180 St. Transfer between shuttle buses and **2****5** trains at E 180 St. As a reminder, the Eastchester-Dyre Av bound platform at Gun Hill Rd is closed for ongoing station rehabilitation work.

5

Through September 2019, Eastchester-Dyre Av bound trains skip [Gun Hill Rd](#) due to station rehabilitation work. When finished, this will yield a better travel experience for customers, including the installation of a mezzanine to platform elevator, providing mobility impaired customers with better accessibility. Rehabilitation work will consist of the expansion and reconfiguration of the control house, a new booth, a larger unpaid area, new ADA signage and cameras throughout the station, new station entrance and retail configuration, reconstructed platforms, new ADA boarding areas and tactile platform warning strips, new ADA hand railings along the platform staircases and modifications to the platform canopies to accommodate the new elevator shafts.

In order to accomplish the repair and reconstruction of the platforms within a safe environment, the northbound side of this station will be closed for approximately six months. For service to this station, take the **5** to Baychester Av and transfer to a Manhattan-bound **5**. For service from this station, take the **5** to Pelham Pkwy and transfer to an Eastchester-Dyre Av bound **5**.

7

From 3:45 a.m. Saturday, July 20, to 10 p.m. Sunday, July 21, 34 St-Hudson Yards bound trains will run express from Mets-Willets Point to Queensboro Plaza due to track maintenance between Mets-Willets Point and Queensboro Plaza. As an alternative, use a Flushing-Main St bound **7** train to complete your trip. Transfer at Queensboro Plaza, 61 St-Woodside, Junction Blvd, or Mets-Willets Point.

A

From 10 p.m. Friday, July 19, to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, uptown trains will stop at Spring St, 23 St and 50 St due to track maintenance near W 4 St-Wash Sq.

A C

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, July 19, to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, Manhattan-bound trains will skip Kingston-Throop Aves, Franklin Av, Clinton-Washington Aves, and Lafayette Av due to signal maintenance. As an alternative, use a Queens-bound **A** or Euclid Av-bound **C** train to complete your trip. Transfer at Hoyt-Schermerhorn Sts, Nostrand Av, or Utica Av. As a reminder, **C** trains do not during the late nights.

A

From 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer, the [Rockaway Park/Beach 116 St S shuttle service](#) will be extended to Rockaway Blvd to facilitate beach traffic to the peninsula. Customers can take any **A** train to connect with the shuttle at Rockaway Blvd. This seasonal service will also be available on Labor Day. For more information on how to take MTA services to the beach, refer to [this prior press release](#).

B

Beginning 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 19, service will end early due to track maintenance near W 4 St-Wash Sq. As an alternative, take **C****D** and/or **Q** trains instead. As a reminder, **B** trains do not run on weekends.

D

From 10:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, Norwood-205 St bound trains will skip 182-183 Sts due to track maintenance near Fordham Rd. As an alternative, use a Coney Island-Stillwell Av bound **D** trains to complete your trip. Transfer at Fordham Rd or Tremont Av.

E F

From 12:01 a.m. Saturday, July 20, to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, trains will run local in both directions in Queens due to ongoing signal modernization work along the Queens Boulevard corridor.

L

Through summer 2020, **L** trains will run every 20 minutes between Brooklyn and Manhattan, in both directions on weekends and weeknights. Within Brooklyn, **L** trains run every 10 minutes in both directions on weekends from 6 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. NYC Transit encourages customers to take advantage of extensive and robust options in its alternative service plan for quicker travel or to avoid crowds. A [dedicated website on the L Project](#) is available with trip planning tools, information on the project and travel guides for **L** stations from 8 Av to Lorimer St. Customers are also encouraged to sign up for a [weekly email newsletter on the L Project](#) to get progress updates and reach Transit staff with feedback or questions. For more information, visit <https://new.mta.info/l-project>.

The alternate service options include:

- Enhanced subway service on **G** **M** and **7** lines on weeknights and weekends, including extended **M**
- Enhanced bus service on 14th Street, including additional weeknight and weekend M14A bus service to Delancey/Essex St for links to **F** **J** **M**
- The Williamsburg Link bus route, B91A, connects with the Bedford Av and Marcy Av subway stations.
- Free subway transfers to make connections easier between Livonia St **L** and Junius St **3**, and from Broadway **G** to Hewes St **J** **M** or Lorimer St **J** **M**.

L

From 11 p.m. Friday, July 19, to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, free shuttle buses will replace trains between Lorimer St and Broadway Junction due to station improvements and electrical work on the portions of the **L** line in Brooklyn. This work, which requires crew access to platforms and tracks, includes connecting the new substations in Brooklyn to power that will allow NYC Transit to run more trains once the L Project is complete. For more information, refer to [this page](#) on **L** service changes.

L service will run in two sections: between 8 Av and Lorimer St every 20 minutes, and between Broadway Junction and Rockaway Pkwy, every 10 minutes, days/evenings, and every 20 minutes overnight. Shuttle buses will run along two routes: between Lorimer St and Myrtle Av, and between Myrtle Av and Broadway Junction. Transfer between trains and buses at Lorimer St and/or Broadway Junction. Consider using the **C** **J** to/from Broadway Junction, or the **M** to/from Myrtle-Wyckoff Avs.

M

Through summer 2020, service ends at approximately 10 p.m. between Forest Hills-71 Av and 47-50 Sts-Rockefeller Ctr due to ongoing signal modernization work along the Queens Boulevard corridor. For Queens, take the **R**. For Court Sq-23 St, Lexington Av-53 St, and 5 Av/53 St, take the **E**. Transfer at 34 St-Herald Sq **M** **R** or W 4 St **E** **M**.

M

Through summer 2020, from 10 p.m. Friday to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, and from 6 a.m. Saturday to 1:30 a.m. Monday, special weekend **M** service to help accommodate customers during the **L** Project runs between Brooklyn and up to 96 St in Manhattan. **M** trains will run between Metropolitan Av and 47-50 Sts, and via the **F** to/from Lexington Av/63 St, and via the **Q** to/from 96 St.

N

From 10:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, Manhattan-bound trains are rerouted via the **Q** (Manhattan Bridge) from Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr to Canal St, skipping DeKalb Av, due to signal and switch maintenance near DeKalb Av. Use the **Q** instead, which will run via the **R** Line (Montague Tunnel) during this time. Transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr or Canal St.

N

From 3:45 a.m. Saturday, July 20, to 10 p.m. Sunday, July 21, free shuttle buses will replace trains between Astoria-Ditmars Blvd and Queensboro Plaza due to station renewal work at Astoria Blvd. **N** trains will run between Coney Island-Stillwell Av and Queensboro Plaza. Free shuttle buses will make all **N** line station stops between Queensboro Plaza and Astoria-Ditmars Blvd. Some buses departing from Ditmars Blvd will run express to Queensboro Plaza. Transfer between trains and buses at Queensboro Plaza. As a reminder, the Astoria Blvd station is closed for ongoing renewal work.

N

Through December 2019, trains will skip Astoria Blvd in both directions due to station renewal work to add four new elevators and other accessibility features, as well as demolish and rebuild the station mezzanine with more vertical clearance to over-height vehicles traveling below the station structure. When this project

is completed in late 2020, the Astoria Blvd station will have two street-to-mezzanine elevators, two mezzanine-to-platform elevators, a new station mezzanine, repaired or replaced structural columns and foundations, repaired concrete platform surfaces, new street and platform stairs, new platform stair enclosures, and new platform canopies and mezzanine overpass walkway canopies. Lights, signs and gates will also be replaced. The new station structure will be reinforced to support the weight of the new elevators and facilities. For more details about this critical structural repair project, refer to this [prior press release](#). For information on improvement projects on the Astoria Line, refer to [this prior press release](#).

As an alternative, use nearby stations use nearby stations at 30 Av or Ditmars Blvd. Take **NW** to Queensboro Plaza, then **7** to 74 St-Roosevelt Av, or take the **EFRR** to 74 St-Roosevelt Av. As a reminder, **R** trains operate days/evenings only, and **NW** trains do not run overnight or on the weekend. M60 SBS customers are advised to use the LaGuardia Link Q70 SBS instead. The LaGuardia Link Q70 SBS serves the 74 St-Roosevelt Av station.

N

Through 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.

Q

From 10:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, Manhattan-bound trains are rerouted via the **R** (Montague Tunnel) from DeKalb Av to Canal St due to signal maintenance.

R

From 10:45 p.m. Friday, July 19 to 5 a.m. Monday, July 22, free shuttle buses and the **N** will replace **R** trains between Bay Ridge-95 St and 36 St due to accessibility improvements including platform preparations for elevator installation and Subway Action Plan drain cleaning work. Late night **R** service will not run. Daytime/evening **R** service will run between 71 Av and 36 St, Brooklyn, and via the **D** to/from 9 Av, the last stop. Buses will make all **R** line station stops between Bay Ridge-95 St and 59 St all weekend. Transfer between **N** trains and buses at 59 St, and between **N** and **R** trains at 36 St. Late night **R** between Brooklyn and Whitehall St will be suspended – take the **N**. Or, from Atlantic Av to Manhattan, take the **Q** or **4** to nearby station.

R

From 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 20 and July 21, Manhattan-bound trains will run express from 36 St to Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr, and skip DeKalb Av due to signal maintenance. As an alternative, use a Coney Island-Stillwell Av bound **DN** local or 9 Av-bound **R** train to complete your trip. Transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr or 36 St. For DeKalb Av, take the **Q** via transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr.

R

From 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 20 and July 21, Manhattan-bound trains will be rerouted via the **Q** (Manhattan Bridge) from Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr to Canal St, skipping DeKalb Av, due to signal and switch maintenance near DeKalb Av. Use the **Q** instead, which will run via the **R** (Montague Tunnel) during this time. Transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr or Canal St.