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Weekend Subway Service Advisory May 24 to 28

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NYC Subways Operate on a Sunday Schedule on [Memorial Day, May 27](#);



[Take the Subway to the Beach](#): Weekend-Only Shuttle from Rockaway Blvd Begins Saturday, May 25; Also Available on Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day

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.








On [Memorial Day, Monday, May 27](#), the New York City Subway will operate on a Sunday schedule. As a reminder, some subway lines do not run on weekends and some trains will be rerouted due to pre-scheduled maintenance and upgrade work in our efforts to maintain and upgrade tracks, signals, stations and other infrastructure throughout the subway system. Customers are advised to allow additional travel time and use the MYmta app to plan trips, view planned and unplanned service change information and see real-time anticipated arrival times.

For beach-going customers, beginning Saturday, May 25, the Rockaway Park/Beach 116 St  shuttle service will be extended to Rockaway Blvd to facilitate beach traffic to the peninsula. Customers can take any  train to connect with the shuttle at Rockaway Blvd. This seasonal service runs from approximately 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, and will also be available on Memorial Day, July Fourth and Labor Day.

Through summer 2020, the MTA is rehabilitating the  tunnel using an improved construction plan that maintains regular weekday and peak hour service for 90 percent of  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.

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   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](#).

2

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Monday, May 27, trains will not run in Brooklyn due to station improvements. As an alternative, use **4-5 NQR** trains to complete your trip. Transfer at Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr or Times Sq-42 St **NQR**, or out-of-system between Bowling Green **4-5** and South Ferry **1-2**.

2

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Monday, May 27, **5** trains will replace the **2** between E 180 St and 241 St due to track maintenance. Transfer between **2-5** trains at E 180 St.

2

From 6:45 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and May 26, uptown **5** trains will run express from E 180 St to 241 St **2** station due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use a downtown **5** to complete your trip. Transfer at 241 St, Gun Hill Rd, or E 180 St. Or, use the Bx39 bus during days and evenings.

2-5

All times until July 2019, Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound trains will skip President St due to staircase and platform edge 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

At all times until July 2019, Flatbush Av-Brooklyn College bound trains will skip Winthrop St due to staircase and platform edge rehabilitation work. During this closure, for service to Winthrop St, take a Flatbush Av-bound **2-5** to Sterling St and transfer to a B44 local or B44 SBS bus to complete your trip. The station agent will issue transfer tickets upon request. Or, take a Flatbush Av-bound **2-5** to Church Av and transfer to a Manhattan-bound **2** or **5** train. For service from Winthrop St, use the nearby Church Av station or the B44/B44 SBS bus. Or, take the Manhattan-bound **2-5** to Sterling St and transfer to a Flatbush Av-bound **2-5** train.

3

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, **2-4** trains and free shuttle buses will replace the **3** line due to electrical maintenance. As an alternative, use the **2** in Manhattan and/or **4** in Brooklyn. Use free shuttle buses to/from 148 St, via transfer with the **2** at 135 St.

4

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, **4** trains will run to New Lots Av and make all **3** line stops between Nevins St and New Lots Av.

4

From 6:45 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, May 25 to 26, downtown trains will skip Mosholu Pkwy, Bedford Pk Blvd, Kingsbridge Rd, Fordham Rd, and 183 St due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use an uptown **4** to complete your trip. Transfer at Burnside Av or Woodlawn.

5

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Monday, May 27, **5** trains will run to Flatbush Av and make all **2** line stops between Nevins St and Flatbush Av.

5

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Monday, May 27, **2** trains will replace the **5** between E 180 St and Dyre Av due to station rehabilitation. Transfer between **2** and **5** trains at E 180 St.

5

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Monday, May 27, uptown **2** trains will skip Morris Park, Pelham Pkwy, and Baychester Av **5** stations due to station rehabilitation. As an alternative, use a downtown **2** to complete your trip. Transfer at Dyre Av or E 180 St.

5

At all times until September 2019, Eastchester-Dyre Av bound trains will 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**.

6

From 11:45 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Monday, May 27, Pelham Bay Park-bound trains will run express from 3 Av-138 St to Hunts Point Av due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use a Brooklyn Bridge-bound **6** to complete your trip. Transfer at Hunts Point Av or 3 Av-138 St.

A

Beginning Saturday, May 25, 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 Memorial Day, July Fourth and Labor Day.

B

Beginning 8:30 p.m., Friday, May 24, service will end early due to track maintenance. As an alternative, take **C D Q** trains instead. As a reminder, **B** service does not run on weekends.

D

From 9:45 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, Coney Island-bound trains will skip 174-175 Sts, 170 St, 167 St, 161 St, and 155 St due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use a Norwood/205 St-bound **D** train to complete your trip. Transfer at 145 St or Tremont Av.

D N

Overnights from 10:45 p.m. to 5 a.m., Friday to Tuesday, May 24 to May 28, Coney Island-Stillwell Av bound trains will run express from Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr to 36 St due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use a Manhattan-bound **D N** local or **R** train to complete your trip. Transfer at 36 St or Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr.

E

From 11:30 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, trains will run express in both directions between Queens Plaza and Roosevelt Av due to track replacement. Free shuttle buses will make stops at Queens Plaza, 36 St, Steinway St, 46 St, Northern Blvd, 65 St, and Roosevelt Av. Transfer between trains and buses at Queens Plaza and/or Roosevelt Av.

J

From 3:30 a.m. Saturday, May 25 to 10 p.m. Monday, May 27, free shuttle buses and **E** trains will replace **J** trains between Broadway Junction and Jamaica Center due to track replacement. **J** trains will run between Broad St and Broadway Junction. Free shuttle buses will make all **J** line station stops between Broadway Junction 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 Broadway Junction **J**. As a reminder, the 111 St **J** station is closed for rehabilitation work until summer 2019.

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** 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](#).

L
Until 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 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 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 **7** **G** **M** 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**
- A new weeknight and weekend bus service, called Williamsburg Link, operates on two routes as the B92 and the B91. They connect with the Bedford Av, Metropolitan Av-Lorimer St, Marcy Av and Hewes St 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**.

M
Beginning 10 p.m., Friday, May 24, service will end early between 71 Av and 47-50 Sts due to signal modernization. As an alternative, take **E** **R** trains instead.

M
From 10 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, May 25, and from 6 a.m. to 1:30 a.m., Saturday to Tuesday, May 25 to 28, special **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
At all times until 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](#).

As an alternative, use nearby stations use nearby stations at 30 Av or Ditmars Blvd. Take **N** **W** to Queensboro Plaza, then **7** to 74 St-Roosevelt Av, or take the **E** **F** **R** to 74 St-Roosevelt Av. As a reminder, **R** trains operate days/evenings only, and **W** 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

At all times until summer 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 N train to complete your trip. Transfer at Bay Pkwy or 8 Av. For New Utrecht Av-62 St, take the **D** instead. Transfer between **D** **N** 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.

Q

From 5:45 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26, Coney Island-bound trains will run express from Prospect Park to Sheepshead Bay due to station maintenance. As an alternative, use a Manhattan-bound **Q** train to complete your trip. Transfer at Sheepshead Bay, Kings Hwy, Newkirk Plaza, Church Av, or Prospect Park.

R

From 6 a.m. to 11:30 p.m., Saturday to Monday, May 25 to 27, trains will run express in both directions between Queens Plaza and Roosevelt Av due to track replacement. Free shuttle buses will make stops at Queens Plaza, 36 St, Steinway St, 46 St, Northern Blvd, 65 St, and Roosevelt Av. Transfer between trains and buses at Queens Plaza and/or Roosevelt Av.

R

From 10:45 p.m. Friday, May 24 to 5 a.m. Tuesday, May 28, Bay Ridge-bound trains will run express from Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr to 36 St due to track maintenance. As an alternative, use a Manhattan-bound **D** **N** local or **R** train to complete your trip. Transfer at 36 St or Atlantic Av-Barclays Ctr.

42 Street **S**

From 12:01 a.m. to 6 a.m., Saturday to Monday, May 25 to 27, the 42 Street **S** shuttle will run overnight.

Rockaway Park **S**

Beginning Saturday, May 25, 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 Memorial Day, July Fourth and Labor Day.