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MTA Announces Service Plans for Four-Day Thanksgiving Weekend

Trains and buses operated by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) will operate on special schedules on Wednesday, November 23, through Sunday, November 27, to accommodate the unique travel demands of Thanksgiving weekend. During the same time period, MTA Bridges and Tunnels will suspend maintenance at its nine crossings to facilitate increased travel.

Details for each of the MTA's services follow.

New York City Subways

New York City subways will operate on a Sunday schedule on Thanksgiving Day. The closest subway stations to the start of the annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade are the **1** at 79 Street and the **C** at 81 Street. There will be additional service on the **S** 42 Street Shuttle as well as increased early morning service on the **1** line.

Long Island Rail Road and Metro-North Railroad

The Long Island Rail Road and Metro-North Railroad will provide extra early afternoon train service on Wednesday, November 23, to help travelers get an easier start to the holiday. Both railroads will offer off-peak fares and plenty of service to make travel a snap for shopping, dining and entertainment around the region. For additional details, please see the following links from [Metro-North](#) and [the LIRR](#).

New York City Buses

Buses operated by MTA New York City Transit and the MTA Bus Company will operate on a Sunday schedule on Thanksgiving Day. There are many routes that either do not operate on Sundays or do not run on part of the route at certain hours. Customers traveling on Thanksgiving Day should check Sunday schedules, lines and routes.

Customers travelling on Thanksgiving Day are advised to expect delays on all bus routes in Manhattan, especially those operating in Midtown, in and around the parade area. Due to street closures, crosstown traffic between 85 Street and 24 Street between Madison Av and 8 Av will be diverted. The following bus routes will be impacted by the parade: M4, M5, M7, M10, M20, M31, M34/34A SBS, M42, M50, M57, M66, M72, M79, M104, BxM2 Q32, QM2, QM4, QM5, QM6, and X1. Details will be provided at www.mta.info under "Service Status." On Black Friday, November 27, service will operate on a weekday schedule with some exceptions listed at <http://www.mta.info>

Staten Island Railway

Staten Island Railway customers looking to get a head start on the Thanksgiving Day holiday will be able to catch earlier afternoon express train service on Wednesday, November 23 with MTA Staten Island Railway's Early Departure Getaway schedule. Extra SIR trains will be added earlier in the

afternoon beginning at 2:30 p.m. from the St. George Ferry Terminal. There will be one express train and one local train awaiting every boat until 7:50 p.m. On Thanksgiving Day, SIR will operate on a Saturday schedule.

MTA Bridges and Tunnels

MTA Bridges and Tunnels will suspend all lane closures related to routine maintenance and temporary construction work beginning 6 a.m. on Wednesday, November 23, through the end of the morning rush on Monday, November 28, to accommodate motorists traveling throughout the busy travel weekend. Exceptions are the ongoing Fast Track Sandy Restoration work at the Queens Midtown Tunnel and at the Hugh L. Carey Tunnel through the weekend, and necessary work at the Henry Hudson Bridge northbound toll plaza. At least one lane in each direction will always remain open at both tunnels. Motorists can ease their trip by using E-ZPass.