

DRT fares going up July 1; specialized service booking expanding to app

It's going to cost you more to take a Durham Regional Transit (DRT) bus starting July 1.

Fares are increasing as part of DRT's 10-year plan to improve and expand services.

Cash fares will go from \$4.75 for an adult to \$4.85, while tapping your Presto card will cost you \$3.84, an increase from \$3.73.

To see the full list of new fares, click here.

DRT is also modernizing their specialized services. They are making it easier to apply for the status and use the services. The public transit agency is doing the following:

- Standardizing policies and procedures
- Enhancing the On Demand platform to automate application processing
- Centralizing all records in one digital system
- Launching a new online application so customers can apply digitally

Starting this summer, DRT plans to roll out specialized services booking through the DRT On Demand app. The rollout will begin with customers who are registered with unconditional eligibility. Once the rollout is complete, all specialized services customers will be able to do the following:

- Plan and book trips without calling a booking agent
- Track their vehicle live and see arrival times
- Cancel trips easily in the app

Those customers will still be able to book trips via phone and call for trip updates, but DRT anticipates it could reduce call volumes and wait times.

Adult
 -Single trip PRESTO tap: \$3.84
 -Monthly PRESTO Pass: \$138.24
 Cash (exact change only) and Open Payment (debit and credit card): \$4.85

Youth - Ages 13 to 19
 -Single trip PRESTO tap: \$3.46
 -Monthly PRESTO pass: \$110.59
 Cash (exact change only) and Open Payment (debit or credit card): \$4.85

Senior - Ages 65 and older
 -Single trip PRESTO tap: \$2.53
 -Monthly PRESTO pass: \$55.30
 -Cash (exact change only): \$3.55
 -Open Payment (debit or credit card): \$4.85

Child - Ages 12 and under
 -Ages 12 and under: Free of charge.

ACCESS pass and Transit Assistance Program (TAP)
 The Transit Assistance Program (TAP) helps make transit more affordable for people receiving social assistance in Durham Region. With TAP, you can choose how you pay:
 Pay-as-you-go: Pay for your first 14 trips each month (up to \$53.76), then ride for free for the rest of the month.
 Monthly pass: Pay \$53.76 at the start of the month and ride as much as you want.

Connecting to GO Transit (Co-Fare):
 Using PRESTO: Free when you tap and connect to or from a GO Train or GO Bus. Paying cash: Free when you show a valid GO single-ride ticket or day pass when you board. You can travel on DRT for free when connecting to or from GO Transit.



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