## HOW TO READ THE TIMETABLE

"STOP LOCATIONS" are listed in the FIRST COL-UMN. These are the locations where the bus will stop to pick up and drop off passengers.

"TIME POINTS" are listed in the COLUMNS TO THE RIGHT of the "STOP LOCATIONS" column. These are the times that the bus will stop at the "STOP LOCATIONS" and you can get on or off the bus.

#### First Step

- Read down the list of STOP LOCATIONS to find the location where you want to GET ON THE BUS.
- Read across from the STOP LOCATION to the TIME POINT columns to find the times the bus will be at the STOP LOCATION. These are the times that the bus will be at this location and you can get on the bus.

## **Second Step**

- Read down the list of STOP LOCATIONS to find the location where you want to GET OFF THE BUS.
- Read across from the STOP LOCATION to the TIME POINT columns to find the time the bus will be at the STOP LOCATION. These are the times that the bus will get you to that stop.

#### **HOW TO RIDE THE LINK BUS**

- Select the LINK Bus Route that serves the area you wish to travel. Keep in mind that you may need to transfer between bus routes to get to your final destination. Transfers will take place at the LINK Bus Transfer Center, located at Park Avenue & Capner Street, Flemington.
- Read the bus timetable to find the nearest bus stop with the route that you need, and check the pickup time.
- Be at the bus stop location at least 10 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive.
- Dress for the weather so you are not uncomfortable while waiting for the bus to arrive or transferring to other buses.
- Stay out of the road until the bus has come to a complete stop.
- Watch for traffic around the bus.
- When the bus arrives, check the Route number located on the front of the bus or on the side window to make sure it is the bus you want. If you're not sure, you may ask the bus driver if the bus is heading to your stop.
- Board the bus and have exact fare or a LINK ticket ready. Tell the driver where you are going and ask that they remind you if you are concerned about

remembering to get off at your stop. Tell the driver if you will be transferring to another bus as part of your trip.

- Hand your fare or LINK ticket to the driver. The driver will give you a receipt. Be sure to put the receipt in a safe place. You will need to show your receipt when you reboard or transfer buses.
- After paying your fare, quickly find a seat. Fasten seatbelt.
- When the bus stops at your destination or transfer location, check where you were sitting to make sure that you do not leave anything behind. Be sure that you have your receipt.
- Thank the driver as you get off the bus. If you will be returning to the bus later, you may wish to tell the driver.
- Watch your step as you get off of the bus. Do not linger outside of the bus. Be aware of traffic around the bus and use caution when crossing the street or in parking lots.

The LINK Transportation System is a service of Hunterdon County government. Funding for operation of the Hunterdon County LINK System is provided by Hunterdon County, NJ TRANSIT and the Federal Transit Administration.

Rider input is welcome. LINK/Transportation Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Any county resident interested in serving as a member may contact the Hunterdon County Department of Human Services, (908) 788-1368, Monday — Friday, from 8:30am — 4:30pm or write to:

Hunterdon County Department of Human Services PO Box 2900

Flemington, NJ 08822-2900

Non Discrimination Policy It is the policy of The Hunterdon County Transportation System that no person shall be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in the receipt of its services on the basis of race, color or national origin as protected by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. No person or group of persons shall be discriminated against with regard to availability or quality of transportation services provided on the basis of race, color, or national origin. The availability or quality of transportation services, information or assistance, fare structures, frequency of service, and transportation facilities provided by or directly operated by the County of Hunterdon, shall not be determined on the basis of race, color or national origin. Any person who believes that he or she has, individually or as a member of any specific class of persons, been subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin may file a Title VI complaint with the County of Hunterdon Transportation System: Hunterdon County Administrator, Administrator's Office, PO Box 2900, Flemington, New Jersey, 08822. Visit www.ridethelink.com for further information on this Policy.

If information is needed in another language, contact Helpline 1-800-272-4630

1-800-842-0531 (V/TDD) www.ridethelink.com www.co.hunterdon.nj.us





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# To view full LINK system map visit: www.ridethelink.com

## **Fare and Transfer Information**

- Routes 14, 15 & 18: \$4.00 per day, unlimited boarding. No additional fares for transfers between Routes 14, 15, 16, 18, 19 & 23.
- Route 23: \$2.00 per day, unlimited boarding and no additional transfer fares to Routes 16 & 19. \$1.00 additional fare for transfers to Routes 14, 15 & 18.
- Exact change is required.
- Your receipt is your ticket for "same day" re-boarding.

## **LINK Bus Transfer Center**

The LINK bus Transfer Center is located at Park Avenue & Capner Street (Hunterdon County Jury Lot). Transfers may be made between Route 14, 15, 16, 18, 19 & 23 buses for passengers to get to final destinations.

## **Route Deviation and Other Services**

Route deviation service is available where conditions allow. Passengers must call by 12 noon the weekday before requested transportation by calling Central Dispatch, 1-800-842-0531 to discuss route deviation needs.

Drivers are not permitted to accept or approve deviation requests.

Drivers are not permitted to make unscheduled route changes.

Passengers needing other transportation services are encouraged to contact LINK Dispatch, 1-800-842-0531 to discuss needs.

# **Bags and Bikes Aboard Vehicles**

Grocery/shopping bags are limited to 5 per person. Luggage is limited to one carry on item (not to exceed 22") and one personal item, such as a purse or backpack.

Bicycles are allowed on board LINK buses (space permitting).

## **Children and Car Seats**

Children under the age of 8 years must be accompanied by an adult.

Passengers bringing a car seat/booster seat may not leave them on the bus. All buses are equipped with seatbelts.

# No Service Days (Holiday Schedule)

New Year's Day Labor Day Martin Luther King Day Columbus Day President's Day Veteran's Day Good Friday Thanksgiving & Memorial Day Friday after Thanksgiving 4th of July Christmas Day

Schedule changes for holidays will be announced in the Hunterdon County Democrat newspaper, on the **www.ridethelink.com** and LINK Facebook page. Passengers should plan accordingly in advance of "No Service" days.

# **Schedule Changes and Delays**

Published schedules are subject to change. Pick up and drop off times may be subject to delays based upon traffic, weather, loading times and other circumstances beyond the LINK's control. To check the status of a delayed bus call 1-800-842-0531 (Monday – Friday 6:30am – 7:30pm, Saturday 8:30am – 7:30pm).

#### **Inclement Weather**

Delays and service cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced as follows:
Hunterdon County LINK Transportation Service —

"Service Cancelled" or "Operating with Delays"

Delay and Service Announcements will be posted to:

Internet www.ridethelink.com
Facebook Hunterdon County LINK
Television HCTV Channel 14
Radio WKXW 101.5 FM, WCVH 90.5 FM

To ensure the safety of passengers and drivers, the LINK will monitor weather and road conditions to determine the level of service throughout the service day. Service may be modified or pick ups rescheduled, with advanced notice, as a result.

LINK is not responsible for passenger refusal to accept modified service on inclement weather days.

# **Passenger Conduct**

The Driver is responsible for ensuring the safety of all passengers.

Foul language and/or behavior that is disruptive to the driver or other passengers will not be tolerated. Anyone appearing to be under the influence of alcohol or controlled dangerous substances will not be transported.

- Smoking is not permitted aboard vehicles.
- No drinking, eating or littering.

- Footwear and shirts are required.
- Seat belts should be worn at all times.
- Tipping of drivers is not permitted.
- Speak softly when using cell phones.
- Use ear phones when listening to audio equipment

Passengers who are unable to observe these courtesies are subject to immediate removal from the vehicle and/or loss of future service.

# **Accessibility Information**

All LINK vehicles are wheelchair accessible. The following are allowed aboard LINK vehicles:

- Manual or Electric Mobility Device
- Walker/Cane
- Service Animal
- Personal Aide (no fare when accompanying passenger)
- Portable Oxygen Tank

Drivers may assist passengers as they board or depart the vehicle. Drivers will secure mobility devices. All drivers are Passenger Service & Safety (PASS) certified.

Service and schedule information will be made available for individuals with visual or hearing impairment by request.

Please call 1-800-842-0531, Monday – Friday, 8:30am – 4:30pm, to discuss accessibility needs.

# **Transit Connection**

**NJ TRANSIT Bus #114/117** 

Connecting at: Bridgewater Commons Mall NJ TRANSIT Raritan Valley Rail Line Connecting at: Whitehouse Train Station & High Bridge Train Station

www.njtransit.com, **1-973-275-5555** 

Somerset County Transportation (CAT/SCOOT)
Connecting at: Raritan Valley Community College,

NJ Transit Bus Shelter (CAT) Bridgewater Commons Mall (CAT & SCOOT)

www.co.somerset.nj.us/scootdash.html, 1-800-246-0527

# TRANS-BRIDGE Bus Lines (to New York)

Connecting at: Clinton Point Park & Ride, Center St, Clinton

Corner of North Main St & Bridge St, Lambertville www.transbridgelines.com, **1-800-962-9135**