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**San Mateo County Transit District  
 State of California  
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**Fare Structure**

**I. FARE PRICES**

**Fixed-route Service**

<b>Product</b>	<b>Payment Options</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Current</b>
Local One-way (2-hour transfer on Clipper and Mobile app)	Cash, Mobile app, Ticket/Token	Adult	\$2.25
		Youth/Eligible Discount	\$1.10
	Clipper	Adult	\$2.05
		Youth/Eligible Discount/ Adult Means-based	\$1.00
	Transfers from Other Agencies (Clipper)^	Adult/Youth/ Eligible Discount/ Adult Means-based	One free transfer
Local Day Pass	Cash, Mobile app	Adult	\$4.50
		Youth/Eligible Discount	\$2.00
Local Monthly Pass	Clipper	Adult	\$65.60
		Youth/Eligible Discount	\$27.00
Express One-way (2-hour transfer on Clipper and Mobile app)	Cash, Mobile app	Adult	\$4.50
		Youth/Eligible Discount	\$2.25
	Clipper	Adult	\$4.00
		Youth/Eligible Discount/ Adult Means-based	\$2.00
	Transfer upgrade from One-way Local (Mobile), Day Pass (Paper/Mobile), Ticket/Token	Adult	\$2.25
		Youth/Eligible Discount	\$1.00
	Transfer upgrade from Local Monthly Pass (Clipper), Summer Youth Pass, One-way Local transfer (Clipper)	Adult	\$1.95
		Youth/Eligible Discount/ Adult Means-based	\$1.00
	Transfers from Other Agencies (Clipper)^	Adult	\$1.95
		Youth/Eligible Discount/ Adult Means-based	\$1.00
Express Monthly Pass	Clipper	Adult	\$130.00
		Youth/Eligible Discount*	

^ Accepted Inter-agency transfers on Clipper: Caltrain Monthly Pass (2 or more zones), VTA Monthly Pass, Dumbarton Express 31-day Pass and AC Transit 31-day Pass

\* Youth and Eligible Discount may purchase the Adult Express Monthly Pass by using an Adult Clipper card or may use a Youth or Eligible Discount Local Monthly Pass and pay an upgrade.

### Other Products

Product	Payment Options	Category	Current
Local 31-Day Ticket	Pursuant to agreement with SamTrans Administrative Office	Adult	\$65.60
		Youth/Eligible Discount	\$27.00
Local One-way 10-Ticket Pack	SamTrans Sales Outlets, SamTrans Administrative Office	Adult	\$22.50
		Youth/Eligible Discount	\$11.00
Youth Unlimited Pass	Pursuant to agreement with SamTrans Administrative Office	Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Youth	Free
Summer Youth Pass	Mobile app, www.samtrans.com, SamTrans Administrative Office	Youth	\$40.00
Way2Go Pass	Pursuant to agreements with SamTrans Administrative Office	Educational Institution	\$35 per semester / \$70 per year (\$2,500 annual minimum)
		Employer	\$75 per year (\$2,500 annual minimum)
		Residential Complex	\$40 per year (\$2,500 annual minimum)
Regional All-Agency Pass Pilot	To be determined through Regional Fare Coordination and Integration Study		

### Demand Response Services

Paratransit Redi-Wheels/RediCoast One-way (ADA)	Cash, Mobile app	Regular	\$4.25
		Lifeline	\$1.75
	10-Ticket Sheet available at SamTrans Administrative Office	Regular	\$42.50
		Lifeline	\$17.50
	Agency-sponsored Group Trips through SamTrans Administrative Office	Regular	\$5.00 per rider
		Lifeline	\$2.25 per rider
Paratransit 5311 Coastside On-demand One-way (non-ADA)	Cash, Mobile app	Regular	\$4.25
		Lifeline	\$1.75
	Agency-sponsored Group Trips through SamTrans Administrative Office	Regular	\$4.50 per rider
		Lifeline	\$1.75 per rider
Microtransit Pilot Program	Same as Local fixed-route	Adult/Youth/Eligible Discount	Local fixed-route Fare Structure applies

### Parking

Daily Parking at Colma Park and Ride	Cash, credit/debit card	\$3.00
Monthly Parking at Colma Park and Ride	www.samtrans.com, SamTrans Administrative Office	\$63.00

## II. FIXED-ROUTE SERVICE FARE TYPES & CATEGORIES

### A. Fare Types:

1. **Local One-way (with Transfers).** Available through Clipper<sup>®</sup>, the SamTrans mobile app, cash, Token or Ticket. Valid on Local service. Effective January 1, 2020, for customers using Clipper or SamTrans mobile app: includes free transfers on SamTrans Local service for 120 minutes.
2. **Local Day Pass.** Available through the SamTrans mobile app or cash. When purchased on-board, bus operator issues through the farebox. Valid on Local service from the time of activation at the farebox until 2:00 a.m. the next day.
3. **Local Monthly Pass.** Available through Clipper. Valid on Local service from 12:01 a.m. on the first day of the month for which issued until 2:00 a.m. on the first day of the following month.
4. **Summer Youth Pass.** Available through the SamTrans mobile app, www.samtrans.com or advance purchase at SamTrans Administrative Office. Valid on Local service from 12:01 a.m. on June 1 until 2:00 a.m. on September 1. Effective January 1, 2020, Youth will pay upgrade when riding Express service.
5. **Local 31-Day Ticket.** Available for pre-purchase through qualified schools and social service agencies pursuant to agreement with the SamTrans Administrative Office. Ticket is valid on Local service from the time of activation at the farebox until 2 a.m. on the 32nd day after activation.
6. **Youth Unlimited Pass.** No cost unlimited-ride pass available to youth who are Socioeconomically Disadvantaged (SED) students, as defined by the California Department of Education. Distributed by the SamTrans administrative offices to participating school districts and schools.
7. **Express One-way.** Available through Clipper, SamTrans mobile app or cash. Customers using Clipper or SamTrans mobile app: includes free transfers for 120 minutes valid on Express and Local SamTrans services.
8. **Express Monthly Pass.** Available through Clipper only for Adult fare category. Youth and Eligible Discount fare categories may use a Local Day Pass, Local Monthly Pass, Local 31-Day Ticket or Summer Youth Pass for Express service with payment of an Express Service Upgrade. Youth and Eligible Discount also may choose to purchase an Express Monthly Pass on an Adult Clipper card.
9. **Express Service Upgrade.** To pay for the difference between Local and Express fares. For use with: (i) 120-minute Local service transfers (Clipper and SamTrans mobile

app); (ii) Tokens and Tickets; (iii) Local Day Passes; (iv) Local Monthly Passes; (v) Local 31-Day Ticket; (vi) Summer Youth Passes.

10. **Way2Go Pass.** Unlimited-ride pass available to educational institutions, employers, and residential complexes (“Organizations”) for use on all SamTrans service within the calendar year or semester issued. Organizations must purchase for all eligible participants, defined as:
  - a. Educational Institutions: all full-time students, or other eligible sub-groups subject to SamTrans approval (e.g., designated low-income student groups)
  - b. Employers: all full-time employees, or other eligible sub-groups subject to SamTrans approval (e.g., employees who live in San Mateo County)
  - c. Residential complexes: all residents age 5 years or older
11. **Regional All-Agency Pass Pilot.** Available to passengers who are selected to participate in Regional Fare Coordination and Integration Study administered by the Bay Area Fare Integration Task Force, managed by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and Bay Area Rapid Transit.

## **B. Fare Categories:**

1. **Adult.** Applies to passengers aged nineteen (19) through sixty-four (64).
2. **Eligible Discount.** Available to passengers aged sixty-five (65) or older, or who possess a Regional Transit Connection (RTC) Discount Card, a Medicare Card, a current Disabled Person Placard Identification Card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, or a valid transit discount card issued by another California transit agency which is equivalent to the RTC Discount Card. Passengers carrying an RTC Discount Card marked with an attendant symbol may have a personal care attendant travel with them at the Eligible Discount fare.
3. **Youth.** Available to passengers who are eighteen (18) years old or younger. Up to two children aged four (4) years or younger may travel free with each Adult or Eligible Discount fare-paying passenger. Additional children are subject to the Youth fare.
4. **Means-based Fare Pilot Program.** SamTrans' participation in the Regional Means-Based Fare Pilot Program (Clipper START Pilot Program), administered by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, began in January 2021 and will run through June 2023.

The Means-Based Fare is available only to participants who apply, are accepted and enroll in the Pilot Program. Participation is limited to adults aged 19 through 64, who are current residents in one of the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties, and who have an annual household income level at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level. Information about the application process is posted on SamTrans' website at [www.samtrans.com](http://www.samtrans.com).

## **C. Waived Fares.**

Local and Express Bus fares are waived for the following categories of passengers with proper

identification or fare media:

- a. Peace Officers. Uniformed and non-uniformed, sworn peace officers showing proper identification.
- b. Military Personnel. Active military personnel in uniform showing proper identification.
- c. Employees/Retirees. San Mateo County Transit District employees, qualified retirees, spouses, domestic partners and dependent children under the age of eighteen (18) showing their employee identification or family transportation pass.
- d. Board of Directors and Citizens Advisory Committee Members. Board of Directors and Citizens Advisory Committee members showing their District identification.
- e. ADA Paratransit-eligible Passengers. Passengers certified for Redi-Wheels and RediCoast (ADA) paratransit, and their personal care attendants, showing valid Redi-Wheels or RediCoast identification cards.

### III. **ADA AND NON-ADA PARATRANSIT FARE TYPES & CATEGORIES**

ADA Paratransit Redi-Wheels and RediCoast, and non-ADA Paratransit 5311 Coastside Demand Response services require advanced reservations; service area restrictions apply.

#### A. **ADA Paratransit: Redi-Wheels and RediCoast**

1. **Regular Redi-Wheels and RediCoast**. For passengers with disabilities who (i) are certified by the District as eligible for paratransit under the ADA, and (ii) possess a valid Redi-Wheels or RediCoast card. Available through the SamTrans mobile app, cash or ticket. Tickets are sold in sheets with 10 rides at SamTrans Administrative Office and via mail/fax.
2. **Lifeline Redi-Wheels and RediCoast**. For passengers with disabilities who (i) are certified by the District as eligible for paratransit under the ADA, (ii) possess a valid Redi-Wheels or RediCoast card, and (iii) receive Supplemental Security Income, San Mateo County General Assistance, or Medi-Cal. Available through the SamTrans mobile app, cash or ticket. Tickets are sold in sheets with 10 rides at SamTrans Administrative Office or via mail/fax.
3. **Service Agency-sponsored Group Trips**. For passengers with disabilities who (i) are certified by the District as eligible for paratransit under the ADA, (ii) possess a valid Redi-Wheels or RediCoast card, and (iii) are participating in group trips sponsored by eligible agencies. Lifeline fares apply to such passengers who also receive Supplemental Security Income, San Mateo County General Assistance, or Medi-Cal. Eligible agencies are: Poplar Recare, Rosener House, San Carlos Adult Day Care, Senior Focus, Senior Day Care, South San Francisco Adult Day Care and Coastside Adult Day Health Care. Sponsor is billed by the District after the trip.

#### B. **Non-ADA Paratransit: 5311 Coastside Demand Response**

1. **Regular and Lifeline 5311 Coastside Demand Response**. For passengers living in the

5311 Coastside Service Area. Lifeline fares apply to such passengers who also receive Supplemental Security Income, San Mateo County General Assistance or Medi-Cal. Pay with cash or the SamTrans mobile app.

2. **Agency-sponsored Group Trips.** For passengers living in the 5311 Coastside Service Area who are participating in group trips sponsored by Senior Coastsiders. Lifeline fares apply to such passengers who also receive Supplemental Security Income, San Mateo County General Assistance or Medi-Cal. Sponsor is billed by the District after the trip.

#### IV. **FARE PAYMENT**

- A. **Cash Payment.** Cash payments are made by feeding bills or coins into the farebox. Bills up to \$20 (twenty dollars) and coins of one cent, five cents, 10 cents and 25 cents are accepted. No change is provided in case of overpayment.
- B. **Local One-way Token or Ticket.** Available to Adult and Youth as Tokens through June 30, 2020, and as Tickets effective July 1, 2020. Available to Eligible Discount as Tickets. Sold only in packages of 10. Each Token or Ticket is valid for one Local ride. Multiple Tokens or Tickets may be combined for Express service (but no Change Card is provided). Tokens will be accepted on SamTrans buses through June 30, 2021 (after which point only Tickets will be accepted).
- C. **Clipper®.** Use of Clipper requires customers to “tag” the card at the Card Interface Device on-board buses. The Clipper card is a transit fare payment card issued and administered by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) that is valid for use on all major public transit services throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. There may be fees associated with the use of a Clipper card. Such fees, if any, will be set by the MTC. Clipper customers will have an approximate 10 percent discount over One-way cash fares.
- D. **Mobile Ticketing Application Pilot Program.** Customers may purchase via the SamTrans Mobile App: (i) Local-and Express One-way; (ii) Local Day Pass; (iii) Express Upgrade; (iv) Paratransit Redi-Wheels/RediCoast One-way (ADA); and (v) Paratransit 5311 Coastside Demand Responsive One-way (non-ADA) and (vi) Summer Youth Pass. Credit and debit cards are accepted.
- E. **Inter-agency Transfers**  
Transfers from certain transit systems to SamTrans will receive one Local fare credit; available only on Clipper. Effective January 1, 2020, Upgrade will be charged for Express service.

AC Transit 31-day Ticket

Local Fare Credit within two hours of tagging Clipper on home system

Caltrain Monthly Pass,  
two or more zones

Local Fare Credit

DB (Dumbarton Express) 31-  
day Ticket

Local Fare Credit within two hours of  
tagging Clipper on home system

Santa Clara Valley  
Transportation Authority

Local Fare Credit within two hours of  
tagging Clipper on home system

- F. **Institutional Agreements.** The General Manager/CEO may enter into agreements with public and private institutions (including other public transit agencies) through which SamTrans is reimbursed for bus trips taken by defined groups of riders, provided the reimbursement rate is an existing price in the SamTrans Fare Structure.
- G. **Special Promotional Fares.** From time to time, the General Manager/CEO may authorize the establishment of special and promotional fares.
- H. **Rules and Regulations.** All Passes, Tokens and Tickets are subject to District regulations as may be adopted from time to time. Misuse of a Pass, Token or Ticket or violation of the laws governing behavior on transit vehicles makes such Pass, Token or Ticket subject to revocation. Passes must be kept in the possession of the rider at all times. Assigned Passes may not be transferred to another individual.

Passes, Tokens, and Tickets are not subject to refund or replacement.

The individual ride value of a Pass shall be valid for any route that has a fare for the specified ride value or less. The single-ride value of a Pass may be applied to the fare for any route with a higher individual ride value by paying the difference in cash, Tokens or, Tickets. Fixed-route fare media are not valid on Paratransit service. District staff is empowered to add means of fare media distribution (e.g. website) without amendment of this document.

## V. **SERVICE CLASSIFICATIONS**

### A. **Local Service**

Transit routes of an intra-community or inter-community nature that operate primarily on local and arterial streets are classified as Local service. Local routes provide service at each established bus stop.

### B. **Express Service**

Express service includes specialized routes of an inter-community nature that operate a significant portion of the route length along freeways without intermediate stops.

### C. **ADA and non-ADA Paratransit Service**

1. **ADA Paratransit.** Service known as Redi-Wheels and RediCoast operates for certified passengers with disabilities traveling in the San Mateo County Transit District service area. Advance reservations are required, and certain qualifying and service area restrictions apply.

The Redi-Wheels service area includes the bayside of San Mateo County, portions of the City of Palo Alto north of Embarcadero Road, and the City of San Francisco in the Stonestown area and the Bayshore Corridor.

The RediCoast service area includes Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, Half Moon Bay, San Gregorio, La Honda, and Pescadero, with limited service to the bayside, San Francisco and Palo Alto.

Redi-Wheels and RediCoast customers are able to transfer to other paratransit providers in San Mateo County, San Francisco, Santa Clara County, and the East Bay at specified locations.

2. **Non-ADA Paratransit.** Service known as 5311 Coastside Demand Responsive service is available to customers living in Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, Half Moon Bay, San Gregorio, La Honda, and Pescadero, with limited service to the bayside of San Mateo County, portions of San Francisco and Palo Alto. Advance reservations are required, and certain qualifying and service area restrictions apply.

#### **D. Microtransit On-demand Program Service**

Microtransit is a demand-responsive service model offering flexible routing of transit vehicles to serve one or multiple trip requests within a defined service area. Passengers wishing to use microtransit may request a ride using a mobile app or by phone. The service is facilitated by a cloud-based platform that receives trip requests and dynamically routes the transit vehicle to serve the customers. Local fares apply.

## **VI. PARKING**

### **A. Fees**

Parking is provided for a fee at the Colma Park and Ride lot on a per-day or monthly basis. Daily parking fees are payable at the parking payment machine. Monthly parking passes can be purchased at the SamTrans Administrative Offices or via [www.samtrans.com](http://www.samtrans.com). The General Manager/CEO may authorize the sale of “reserved” parking permits for a fee of up to \$105.00 per month.

### **B. Restrictions**

The use of San Mateo County Transit District parking facilities shall be in accordance with District’s Vehicle Parking Regulations and other rules.