SamTrans Accessibility







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Customer Service Can Help You Plan Your Trip

- Monday Friday 7:00 am 7:00 pm
- Sat, Sun, Holiday 8:00 am 5:00 pm
- 1-800-660-4287 or 511
- www.samtrans.com
- www.511.org
- www.maps.google.com

Planning your trip with Google Transit



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Waiting for the Bus

- Arrive at bus stop a bit early
- Check bus stop sign to verify it is your bus stop
- Braille medallions on bus stops on El Camino Real
- When the bus arrives, audio announcements verify the bus number and direction (Or ask the Operator)







Boarding the bus



- All SamTrans buses have ramps
- Operator can kneel the bus for you
- Mobility device users can board first

Boarding the bus

- You can board with a ramp, even if you don't use a wheelchair.
- Just ask the Bus Operator.



Paying your fare

- Discounted fares available for seniors, people with disabilities or Medicare card holder. Bus Operator may ask for proof of age, disability or to see Medicare card
- Electronic payment is available with Clipper or mobile app.
- Place money in farebox or tag Clipper card





Priority Seating



Forward-facing and side facing seats in front of the bus are reserved for seniors and people with disabilities



Wheelchair securement area

- Two wheelchair securement areas
- Bus Operators are trained to secure wheelchairs





Announcements on the Bus

- Audio and visual announcements help people to navigate the system and to know when their stop is approaching
- Bus Operators will announce stops upon request.



Service animals

The Department of Transportation (DOT) defines a <u>service animal</u> as any guide dog, signal dog or **other animal** individually trained to work or perform specific tasks for a person with a disability







Back-up Service

- Bus Operators are required to test the ramp before starting the route.
- If the ramp fails while the vehicle is in service, the Bus Operator will call dispatch to determine when the next bus will arrive.
- If more than 30 minutes until the next bus, the dispatcher will arrange for a paratransit vehicle to transport you.

Mobility Management

- SamTrans is the mobility manager for San Mateo County.
- Customer Service can refer you to additional transportation options.
- <u>Senior Mobility Guide</u> provides information on transportation alternatives, including non-profit organizations, cities, and for-profit organizations.
- Program Coordinator, Senior and Veteran Mobility, gives presentations to many groups and manages Mobility Ambassadors.

Thank You



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Please email dubostc@samTrans.com with any questions.