



## Congestion Pricing Starts June 30 in NYC

Exerpts from WFMZ.com and NorthJersey.com.

The MTA's congestion pricing plan for Manhattan goes into effect June 30.

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority officially passed the plan that will charge vehicles entering Manhattan from New Jersey using the Holland and Lincoln tunnels. Rates vary and there are exceptions. The plan includes a \$15 toll for regular passenger cars during peak hours weekdays and weekends. The peak period toll rate will apply from 5 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekdays, and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekends.

A fee of \$3.75 will be charged for passenger vehicles and passenger vehicles with commercial license plates that enter the zone during off-peak hours.

Special vehicles such as buses and trucks will be charged \$24 or \$36, depending on size, to enter during peak hours. Motorcycles will be charged \$7.50 to enter the zone.

Gridlock days will have an added 25% surcharge in addition to the structured fees.

Charter buses and tour buses are not exempt from the congestion pricing.

The congestion pricing plan has been years in the making after a law was signed mandating the MTA to impose a toll to enter Manhattan's central business district — local streets and avenues at or below 60th Street — in order to reduce traffic, improve air quality and raise money for the MTA public transportation capital program.

The toll is expected to result in 100,000 fewer vehicles entering the zone every day, which will help solve the problem of overcrowding in the city.

Many have opposed the plan, including New Jersey drivers and Gov. Phil Murphy, who filed a lawsuit against the federal government, which is still pending.

Trans-Bridge Lines continues to fight for exemption for its charter division.

***“We are part of the solution to congestion and environmental concerns,” says Trans-Bridge Lines President, Tom JeBran. “We’re bringing tourists in. We’re bringing groups in. They go to shows. They go to restaurants. They buy merchandise. It’s good for the city.”***

New York's plan has drawn lawsuits from business owners and the state of New Jersey, which may delay the start date.



Photo by Cosmic Fox Media

Congratulations to Trans-Bridge Lines' motorcoach driver Bill Bond! Bill recently attended Moravian University's All-Athlete Banquet where he was awarded The H.T.D. Gillespie Award for outstanding service to Moravian's athletics program

## Online Purchases for Reduced Fares



We continue to work with our ticketing vendor to resolve a fare issue on reduced tickets for seniors, military personnel, and disabled persons. **This affects online purchases only.**

When booking your tickets, the full fare price will be displayed. However, upon checkout individuals will be charged the correct discounted fare.

We apologize for any confusion this causes our passengers. Please know we are addressing the issue.

*Some exempt vehicles include school buses contracted with the New York City Department of Education, commuter vans licensed with the city's Taxi and Limousine Commission and buses providing scheduled commuter services open to the public, including NJ Transit and fixed routes from private carriers, government vehicles and certain emergency vehicles and qualifying vehicles transporting people with disabilities.*

# NYC Pledges Funds to Port Authority's \$10B Manhattan Bus Terminal

ENR.com

An agreement to help fund New York City's new midtown Manhattan bus terminal brings the \$10-billion replacement project closer to construction. Gov. Kathy Hochul's office announced the deal after the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey released a revised project plan for the 73-year-old interstate transit hub.

"Our investment over the course of the coming years, and our partnership with the Port Authority, will help develop a new crown jewel for Midtown," said city Mayor Eric Adams. "The state-of-the-art bus terminal will add acres of new public space and storefronts, decrease congestion in Hell's Kitchen and improve the commuter and community experience in and around the terminal for both New Yorkers and visitors."

Based on feedback from commuters, residents and local officials, the revised plan to rebuild the



nation's largest and the world's busiest bus terminal has been updated from a version first pitched in 2021. The new plan includes a 2.1-million-sq-ft main terminal, a bus storage and staging facility and ramps directly connected to the Lincoln Tunnel that links New York and New Jersey. Two additional support structures on Port Authority property will also reduce street bus congestion and create 3.5 acres of community green space.

"Anyone entering New York City should be greeted by a world-class travel hub," Hochul said.



**Sunday, May 12**

To the soon-to-be moms, the should-be moms, mother-in-laws, step-moms, furbaby moms, and every mom in between!

Trans-Bridge Lines wishes all moms at Happy Mother's Day!



[View May Commuter Fares >](#)

**RESCHEDULING UPDATE**



Reminder. When you reschedule a ticket, please remember to present the new ticket to the driver. If you attempt to present the original ticket, it will be rejected and you will not be boarded until you show the proper ticket for the run.

If you save tickets to your Apple or Google Wallet, please be sure to save the new ticket and delete the original from the Wallet to avoid any confusion during boarding.



If you are planning to purchase tickets on-site with a ticket agent and you are traveling the same day, please arrive early. Be sure to leave yourself ample time to purchase your ticket and board the bus.

Drivers will not hold the bus for those who are waiting in line to purchase tickets or are delayed for any reason related to purchasing tickets.

## How Do I Get a Parking Permit for the Lehigh Valley Airport?

Parking permits for the Lehigh Valley Airport are available by calling our office at 610-868-6001. Hours are Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

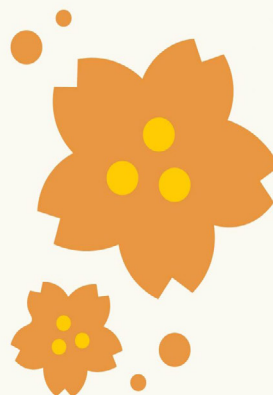
Passengers may also stop by our office in-person at 2012 Industrial Drive, Bethlehem, which is approximately one mile from the Airport.

If you cannot call or stop by during the provided hours, you may also request a permit by email at [webmaster@trans-bridgelines.com](mailto:webmaster@trans-bridgelines.com) and it will be emailed to you. The permit will need to be printed for display in the dashboard area of your vehicle.

Permits are not available for online purchase at this time.

## 7 TIPS FOR COPING WITH SPRING ALLERGIES:

-  1. Consider allergy medication
-  2. Check daily pollen counts
-  3. Keep your windows closed
-  4. Change up your diet
-  5. Leave your shoes at the door
-  6. Wash your hair
-  7. Invest in a HEPA air filter





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### MULTI-DAY TOURS



**GAYLORD NTL RESORT GETAWAY**  
National Harbor & Alexandria, VA  
May 25 (Sat) - 26 (Sun)

Includes: Spirit Cruise Lunch Cruise, Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center, National Harbor, The Capital Wheel, & Tall Ship Providence – Dockside Tour.

2 Meals - \$529 Double



**NEW ENGLAND ISLAND HOPPING**  
June 3 (Mon) - 7 (Fri)

Includes: Nantucket, Guided Tour of Martha's Vineyard, Narrated Tour of Block Island, Guided Driving Tour of Newport, & Rosecliff Mansion.

6 Meals - \$1,248 Double



**MARYLAND'S EASTERN SHORE**  
Horses, History & Harriet Tubman  
June 10 (Mon) - 12 (Wed)

Includes: Guided Tour of Chesapeake City, Assateague Visitor's Center & Cruise, Ocean City Life Saving Museum, & Guided Harriet Tubman Tour.

4 Meals - \$685 Double



**WASHINGTON, DC**  
June 21 (Fri) - 23 (Sun)

Includes: George Washington's Mount Vernon, Illuminated Tour of DC, Arlington National Cemetery, & Steven F Udvar-Hazy Center – Air & Space Museum.

4 Meals - \$704 Double



**THE FABULOUS FINGER LAKES**  
New York  
June 26 (Wed) - 28 (Fri)

Includes: Six Mile Creek Vineyard, "Experience! The Finger Lakes of the Fabulous Falls Above Cayuga Tour", Granger Museum & Carriage House, The Canandaigua Lady Cruise, "It's A Wonderful Life" Museum, & Ventosa Vineyards.

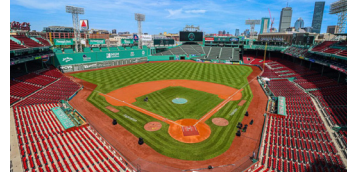
5 Meals - \$757 Double



**ALL THINGS VERMONT**  
July 9 (Tue) - 12 (Fri)

Includes: Morgan Horse Farm at UVM, Rock of Ages – Granite Quarry, Trapp Family Lodge, Church St Marketplace, Spirit of Ethan Allen, & Ben & Jerry's.

6 Meals - \$928 Double



**BEST OF BOSTON, MA**  
July 19 (Fri) - 21 (Sun)

Includes: Samuel Adams Brewery, Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum, Fenway Park, & Faneuil Hall/Quincy Market.

2 Meals - \$615 Double



**"ALL WRIGHT ALL DAY"**  
Buffalo, NY  
July 24 (Wed) - 26 (Fri)

Includes: Blue Sky Mausoleum in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Frank Lloyd Wright's Martin House, Graycliff, & Seneca Buffalo Creek Casino.

4 Meals - \$680 Double



### RESORTS CASINO HOTEL / CAESARS HOTEL & CASINO

May 5 (Sun), 25 (Sat) | June 8 (Sat), 16 (Sun), 29 (Sat)  
July 7 (Sun), 13 (Sat), 20 (Sat), 27 (Sat)

\$69 per person

Bonus: Resorts –  
\$30 Slot Play OR  
Caesars \$25 Slot Play



### ONE-DAY TOURS

Hershey Gardens, Chocolate World & Trolley Works .....	May 7 .....	\$157
Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum .....	May 9 .....	\$113
Washington, DC National Zoo .....	May 18 .....	\$100
Brooklyn Pizza Tour .....	May 21 .....	\$195
Green Dragon Farmer's Market & Kitchen Kettle Village .....	May 24 .....	\$74
Baltimore Inner Harbor .....	June 1	
.....	\$135 with Aquarium .....	\$90 without Aquarium
Bronx Zoo .....	June 9 .....	\$112
Cape May Land & Sea .....	June 15 .....	\$130
"Full Monty" at Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre ....	June 19 .....	\$147
Longwood Gardens - Festival of Fountains .....	June 22 .....	\$99
9/11 Memorial & Museum .....	June 23 .....	\$116
Point Pleasant, NJ & Jenkinson's Aquarium .....	July 8 .....	\$108
The Metropolitan Museum of Art & The Cloisters .....	July 23 .....	\$133