

SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

CUSTOMIZED COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION

CCT CONNECT SERVICE

TARIFF NO. 146

SUPPLEMENT NO. 16

REGULATIONS

GOVERNING THE FURNISHING OF
PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION ON
DEMAND-RESPONSIVE SERVICE:
SHARED-RIDE PROGRAM (SRP)

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APPROVED

AMENDED:

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CHANGES MADE BY THIS TARIFF

- 1) Increases the Shared Ride Program single "one-way fare" for an individual senior citizen to FOUR DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$4.50) from FOUR DOLLARS (\$4.00).
- 2) Increases the Shared Ride Program single "one-way per trip revenue" (fare) for groups of three or more senior citizens to FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$4.20) from THREE DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$3.70).
- 3) The Shared Ride escort fare while riding with a group of three or more is changed to FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$4.20) from THREE DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$3.70), one way.
- 4) Shared-Ride escort fare when accompanying an individual senior citizen is increased to FOUR DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$4.50) from FOUR DOLLARS (\$4.00), one way.
- 5) The "Shared Ride general public fare" for an individual one way trip is increased to THIRTY DOLLARS (\$30.00) from TWENTY-SIX DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$26.70).
- 6) The "Shared Ride general public fare" for a one way group trip is established at TWENTY EIGHT DOLLARS (\$28.00) from TWENTY FOUR DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS per rider.
- 7) Only one escort is allowed on a group trip (three or more riders) at a fare of FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$4.20) from THREE DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$3.70)
- 8) Upon the implementation of New Payment Technology, new payment methods will be offered.

(A) DEFINITIONS

- 1) **Paratransit** – demand-responsive, ride-shared public transportation distinct from fixed guide way, regular fixed-route bus service, charter service and taxicab service, operating over the highway and street system. SEPTA Customized Community Transportation paratransit program--CCT CONNECT--is a coordinated, ride-shared, advance reservation service targeted at the transportation disabled and senior citizen market and operating on an unconstrained route and purpose basis.
- 2) **Shared-Ride Program** - ride-shared demand-responsive service for senior citizens funded by the Pennsylvania Lottery and managed by a County Coordinator under an agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Pennsylvania Act 36 of 1991.
- 3) **Ride-sharing (or shared-ride) service** - coordinated or co-mingled demand-responsive service; public paratransit service in which passengers with different origins and/or destinations share the same vehicle, as opposed to exclusive-ride taxicab service.
- 4) **Escort** - a person who rides at the request of the eligible patron in order to support his/her access to the system.

(B) SHARED-RIDE FARES - SENIOR CITIZENS

- 1) A FOUR DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS (\$4.50) cash fare entitles a registered senior citizen (age 65 years or more) to a one-way trip from any point of origin to any point of destination within the service area. This fare is subject to the conditions of and dependent upon funding by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation under Act 36 of 1991 (Shared-Ride Program). In the event that this funding is reduced or eliminated, the senior citizen fare provided in this tariff shall be proportionally increased or the program eliminated.
- 2) A FOUR DOLLAR AND TWENTY CENTS (\$4.20) fare, each, entitles a group of three or more properly identified senior citizens to a one-way trip from any point of origin to any point of destination within the service area.
- 3) One (1) escort may accompany an eligible senior citizen or group from the same origin to the same destination at the same reduced fare as the eligible senior citizen--FOUR DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$4.50)--when accompanying an individual rider, or FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$4.20) when accompanying a group of three or more.
- 4) Qualified senior citizen passengers must display a valid SEPTA CCT Shared-Ride Program Identification Card in order to be eligible for the senior citizen fare. Identification cards may be used only by the person to whom issued, and must be kept in possession of the senior citizen passenger during the entire trip. Upon request, the

identification card holder must identify himself or herself to the satisfaction of the driver. When boarding and exiting, the passenger or his/her designate may be required to pass the identification card through a reading device where vehicle equipment is operable to do so.

- 5) Upon the implementation of New Payment Technology changes will be made to the method of payment. In addition to cash, payment of fares by SEPTA Media Cards and other registered and unregistered Media (debit/credit cards/third-party cards/mobile media) will be accepted as follows:
 - a) Unregistered Media payments will be at the same rate as the cash fare. Detailed description of Unregistered Media can be found in Tariff No. 1.
 - b) Payment by SEPTA Media Cards or Registered Media with a stored value purse could be at a discount to be determined by SEPTA. Discount amounts will be posted on the SEPTA Website. Detailed descriptions of SEPTA Media Cards and Registered Media can be found in Tariff No. 1

(C) SHARED-RIDE FARES – GENERAL PUBLIC

- 1) A THIRTY DOLLAR (\$30.00) cash fare entitles a rider to a one-way trip from any point of origin to any point of destination within the service area. The cash fare is collected by the vehicle operator.
- 2) A TWENTY EIGHT DOLLAR (\$28.00) cash fare entitles a person riding as part of a group of three or more riders to a one-way trip from any point of origin to any point of destination within the service area. The cash fare is collected by the vehicle operator.
- 3) Upon the implementation of New Payment Technology changes will be made to the method of payment. In addition to cash, payment of fares by SEPTA Media Cards and other registered and unregistered Media (debit/credit cards/third-party cards/mobile media) will be accepted as follows:
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(D) SERVICE AREA

Philadelphia County Shared-Ride Program

(City of Philadelphia and three-mile circumference thereto) SEPTA CCT CONNECT Shared-Ride Program service will be provided on a ride-shared, advance-reservation basis anywhere within the city limits of Philadelphia and extending outward three miles into designated portions of Bucks, Delaware and Montgomery Counties, as described below and more particularly described in the map appended to Tariff 146, Supplement:

- a) BUCKS COUNTY: The service area includes portions of the Townships of Bensalem, Bristol, Lower Southampton, Northampton, and Upper Southampton.
 - b) DELAWARE COUNTY: The service area includes portions of the Townships of Darby, Springfield, Tinicum, and Upper Darby.
 - c) MONTGOMERY COUNTY: The service area includes portions of the Townships of Abington, Cheltenham, Lower Merion, Lower Moreland, Plymouth, Springfield, Upper Moreland, and Whitemarsh.
- 1) Whenever any street forms the boundary of the service area, both sides of the street, and the facilities which open directly on said street, shall be considered to be within the service area. Any ride beginning or ending on a street forming the border of the area shall be considered to be in the area, regardless of the side of the street on which the ride begins or ends.
 - 2) Throughout the service area, service will continue to be provided only to Philadelphia Shared-Ride Program CCT CONNECT registrants, for travel either beginning or ending in Philadelphia County. Travel entirely within Bucks, Montgomery or Delaware Counties will be provided by the Shared-Ride Program Coordinators for those counties.
 - 3) Agency-purchased service will be provided as arranged anywhere within Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties. The origin and destination of agency-purchased service must begin and/or end in Philadelphia County.

(E) TRANSFERS

No additional charge will be made for trips requiring a change enroute to another SEPTA CCT CONNECT vehicle.

(F) CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Shared-Ride Program service is provided as non-exclusive, ride-shared service on an advance-reservation basis. No emergency or same-day service is provided. All requests are accommodated on a first-come, first-served and space-available basis.

**(G) AGREEMENTS FOR SHARED-RIDE PROGRAM SERVICE
TO CLIENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES**

The terms of any agreement with a social service agency for the provision of Shared-Ride Program service to the general public are referenced under (C) above.

(H) SHARED-RIDE PROGRAM TERMINATION

The fare for senior citizens, escorts of senior citizens, Philadelphia Corporation for Aging attendant required trips and group trips shall be null and void if SEPTA's contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation as Pennsylvania Shared-Ride Program Philadelphia County Coordinator is terminated.