

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

Title 1

General Provisions

Chapter 1-01

Establishment

1-01-010 Adoption of Code. There is hereby adopted the Administrative Code of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Throughout this code, wherever reference is made to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority or to the MTA, that reference shall mean the same as the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Except as otherwise provided in section 1-01-040, where any provision of this code is substantially similar to a previous ordinance of the MTA, the Southern California Rapid Transit District or the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission, that provision of this code shall be considered a reenactment of that previous ordinance.

1-01-020 Title – Citation – Reference. This code shall be know as the “Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Administrative Code” or the “MTA Administrative Code” and it shall be sufficient to refer to either title in any legal proceeding where it is cited. It shall be sufficient to designate any ordinance, adding to, amending, correcting or repealing all or any part of the code as an addition, amendment to, correction or repeal of the “MTA Administrative Code.”

1-01-030 Authority. This code is enacted pursuant to the ordinance adopting authority granted to the Southern California Rapid Transit District by Public Utilities Code Sections 30273 *et seq.*, and to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission by Public Utilities Code Sections 130103 and 130105. Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Sections 130050.2, 130051.13 and 130051.14 the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority is the single successor agency to the Southern California Rapid Transit District and the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission with all of the powers and authority given by law to those two agencies.

1-01-040 Certain Ordinances Continued. The Los Angeles County Transportation Commission Ordinance No. 16, entitled “An Ordinance Establishing a Retail Transactions and Use Tax in the County of Los Angeles for Public Transit Purposes,” which was adopted by the electorate as Proposition A at the November 1980 general election, the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission Ordinance No. 16, entitled “An Ordinance Establishing an Additional Retail Transactions and Use Tax in the County of Los Angeles for Public Transit Purposes,” which was adopted by the electorate as Proposition C at the November 1990 general election, and the MTA ordinance entitled “The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) Reform and Accountability Act of 1998,” which was adopted by the electorate as Proposition A at the November 1998 general election, are each included in this code as adopted by the electorate. For convenience, the section headings and numbering of these three ordinances have been revised to be consistent with the numbering and heading system in this code. Any provision of any of these ordinances may be cited using the numbering in this code. However, the inclusion of these ordinances within this code is not intended

and should not be construed as a substantive change in any provision of any of these three ordinances. Their inclusion in this code is solely for the convenience of presenting all MTA ordinances in one code, and should not be considered a reenactment of the provisions of these ordinances. These three ordinances remain in full force and effect as adopted by the electorate and their interpretation and effect should continue in the same manner as if this code were not adopted.

1-01-050 Repeal of Other Ordinances. Except as provided in section 1-01-040, this administrative code is intended to include all ordinances applicable to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Any ordinance of the Southern California Rapid Transit District, the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission or the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority which is not included in this code, is repealed as of the effective date of this code.

Chapter 1-05

Interpretation

1-05-010 Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this code is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this code. The MTA Board of Directors hereby declares that it would have adopted this code, and each section, subsections, sentence, clause and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases had been declared invalid or unconstitutional, and if for any reason this code should be declared invalid or unconstitutional, then the original ordinance or ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

1-05-020 Provisions Not Affected By Headings. Title, chapter and section headings contained in the provisions of this code shall not be deemed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of any section hereof.

1-05-030 Construction of Terms – Tenses. Within this code, unless the text clearly provides otherwise, the present tense includes the past and the future tenses and the future tense includes the present.

1-05-040 Construction of Terms – Gender. Within this code, unless the text clearly provides otherwise, the masculine gender includes the feminine, and the feminine gender includes the masculine.

1-05-050 Construction of Terms – Number. Within this code, unless the text clearly provides otherwise, the singular includes the plural, and the plural includes the singular.

1-05-060 Construction of Terms – Shall and May. Within this code, the word “shall” is mandatory, and the word “may” is permissive.