

New Deal for Bus Riders on Select MTA, OCTA Lines

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(Oct. 31, 2002) MTA will accept OCTA monthly bus passes on six selected Metro Bus lines beginning Friday, Nov. 1.

In return, OCTA also will accept MTA monthly bus passes on 10 selected OCTA bus routes that travel from Orange County into downtown Los Angeles.

"This is another step in moving the region closer to providing seamless public transit for our customers by allowing OCTA pass holders to use selected MTA services from Los Angeles into Orange County and vice versa," said CEO Roger Snoble.

Metro Bus lines that will accept OCTA monthly passes are Line 130 (Artesia Blvd.), Line 275 (Cerritos/Santa Fe Springs/Whittier/Pico Rivera), Line 362, Hawaiian Gardens/Cerritos/Norwalk/Los Angeles), Line 460 (Disneyland/Fullerton/Norwalk/Los Angeles Express), Line 271 (Puente Hills Mall/La Brea Mall) and Line 490 (CSU Fullerton/Brea Mall/Cal Poly Pomona/Los Angeles Express).

OCTA bus lines that will accept MTA monthly passes are Line 1 (Long Beach/San Clemente), Line 30 (Cerritos/Anaheim), Line 38 (Lakewood/Anaheim Hills), Line 42 (Orange/Hawaiian Gardens/Seal Beach), Line 46 (Orange/Los Alamitos), Line 50 (Long Beach/Orange), Line 60 (Long Beach/Tustin), Line 701 (Huntington Beach/Los Angeles Express), Line 721 (Fullerton/Los Angeles Express), and Line 757 (Diamond Bar/Santa Ana Express).

"We are excited to be partnering with MTA by offering our customers a more convenient way to travel between Orange and Los Angeles counties using a single bus pass," said OCTA CEO Art Leahy.

MTA and OCTA monthly passes will be applicable for the base fare only. The holders of these passes, depending on distance traveled, must pay express fare increments.

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