

Munis, Metrolink to Honor MTA's October Passes in November

- Employee IDs OK, Too

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(Oct. 30, 2003) While MTA mechanics remain on strike, all municipal bus operators and Metrolink have agreed to accept MTA's October passes as valid fare until further notice.

The transit agencies also have agreed to accept MTA employee ID badges as fare during the union work stoppage.

Agreements are in place with 17 municipal transit operations to accept October passes through the month of November. MTA passes also are honored on all Metrolink trains.

Municipal operators honoring MTA passes are: Antelope Valley Transit, Access Services Inc., Arcadia Transit, Claremont Dial-a-Ride, Commerce, Culver City, Long Beach Transit, Foothill Transit, Gardena, La Mirada, LADOT, Montebello, Norwalk, Redondo Beach, Santa Clarita, Santa Monica and Torrance.

MTA patrons who purchased monthly, semi-monthly or weekly passes for October should retain those passes until the strike has ended.

MTA will announce at a later date a plan to credit passholders for the days on which Metro Bus and Metro Rail service was not available.

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