Winnipeg Transit Service to MTS Centre

Getting to and from MTS Centre - Winnipeg’s newest “state of the art” entertainment facility - is fast and convenient with Winnipeg Transit. Located at one of best known intersections in the city, MTS Centre is currently served by major bus routes operating within close proximity to the building. In addition to regular scheduled service, Winnipeg Transit will provide extra buses to accommodate patrons following all major events.

MTS Centre Transit Service Facts*:

- 19 regular routes currently serve the MTS Centre location for evening functions.
- Approximately 3,500 buses stop at or near MTS Centre daily.
- Approximately 10,000 people get on or off buses at the MTS Centre location every day.
- Approximately 39,000 people using transit pass by MTS Centre every day.

*(Based on weekday ridership)

Transit Routes Serving MTS Centre:

The MTS Centre, located between Portage Avenue and the Graham Transit Mall is currently served by the following transit routes:

Regular Scheduled Service
10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 33, 38, 44, 45, 47, 55, 60, 62, 66, 70

Express & Limited Service
1, 2, 3, 21, 22, 24, 28, 31, 32, 35, 37, 41, 42, 43, 46, 48, 49, 50, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, 64, 65, 67, 68, 80, 81

Bus Stop Locations:
Six bus stops are conveniently located at or near the MTS Centre including:
1) Portage Eastbound at Donald St.
2) Portage Westbound at Donald St.
3) Donald Southbound at Portage
4) Graham Avenue Eastbound at Donald(Graham Transit Mall)
5) Graham Avenue Westbound at Donald (Graham Transit Mall)
6) Smith Northbound at Portage

Handi-Transit

The Handi Transit stop is located at Donald Southbound at Graham. Call 986-5722 for registration, booking and general inquiries.
Transit Information Services

- Plan your trip to MTS Centre with Navigo at www.winnipegtransit.com. Navigo is Winnipeg Transit’s free and easy to use on-line trip planner. Just type in where you are - where and when you want to go and Navigo can provide you with a variety of trip options – including a printable map for your convenience.
- Call Telebus at 287-7433 … for automated transit schedule information. Check the Transit Guide in the MTS Yellow Pages for detailed instructions on how to use Telebus and find bus stop numbers for your specific location.
- Call Transit’s InfoLine at 986-5700 for transit route, schedule and fare information.

Transit Fares

- Full Cash Fare: $1.80
- Reduced Cash Fare: $1.50 (for Youths 5-16, Winnipeg High School Students 17-21 with valid GoCard ID and Seniors 65+ with Blue Card or Transit Photo ID)
- Children age 4 and under ride free with a fare paying adult. Valid Transit passes and transfers accepted.

THE WEATHER PROTECTED WALKWAY SYSTEM

The Weather Protected Walkway System (WPWS) was launched by Winnipeg City Council in the mid-1970s, along with a number of initiatives, to enhance the vitality and viability of Winnipeg’s downtown. The WPWS was seen as a vital component in attracting residential development through the designation of an enclosed weather protected right-of-way connecting sequential downtown buildings.

The Walkway System of bridges, tunnels and through building walkways is comprised of both lower underground and elevated (2nd level) connections. The concourse at Portage and Main and other downtown malls form part of the Walkway System.

In May 2004 City Council committed $2.0 million in funding for the completion of the WPWS, specifically, from Cityplace through the Winnipeg Convention Centre to The Bay.

The Walkway System is still seen as an essential component of Winnipeg’s downtown economic revitalization supporting residential, commercial, retail, entertainment, and institutional development. It is now a vital connector for pedestrians traveling through these various buildings, and is poised to meet the upcoming pedestrian demands of the MTS Centre, the Manitoba Hydro Building and the Millennium Library.
Winnipeg’s current Walkway System is over two kilometres long, and provides:

- Access to over 550,000 square metres of retail space;
- Linkages between 38 buildings, 1.02 million square metres of office space and 21,000 employees;
- Access to more than 8,400 off-street parking spaces;
- Connections to the Millennium Library, MTS Centre, restaurants, entertainment centres and other venues;
- Shelter from harsh weather; and
- Connections to 90% of Winnipeg’s Transit routes, all of which come within a block of the System.

Other Canadian cities such as Toronto and Calgary, which also experience extreme climates, have weather protected systems which allow users to travel to work, go shopping and enjoy cultural aspects of the City without having to suffer through the inclement weather.

**Roads adjacent to MTS Centre**

**Donald Street north of Portage**
- southbound right curb lane must turn right onto Portage

**Donald Street- between Portage and Graham**
- 3 travel lanes southbound

**Portage Avenue - between Hargrave to Donald**
- eastbound - 3 travel lanes, NO RIGHT TURN from Portage onto Donald
- westbound - 3 travel lanes

**Graham Avenue**
- between Fort and Carlton – restricted to Transit buses only

**Hargrave Street**
- between Graham and Portage – 2 travel lanes northbound

*All lanes will reopen on or before November 16.*

**DOWNTOWN PARKING**

The Winnipeg Parking Authority, a special operating agency of the City of Winnipeg, provides the administration, revenue control, site management and maintenance, and policing functions for downtown parking.

City facilities include three structures: the Winnipeg Square parkade, the Millennium Library parkade, and the Civic Centre parkade – totaling 2,088 stalls – and two surface lots – totaling 57 stalls – which provide access to parking for the general public in key locations within the downtown. The City is also responsible for the operation of more
than 130 parking lots, totaling some 3,000 stalls, which are tied to civic accommodations and provide employee and customer parking.

The **Winnipeg Square parkade** (978 stalls, built in 1977) is a below grade facility, located in the blocks bounded by Portage and Graham Avenues and Main and Fort Streets, with entrance located on Fort Street.

The **Millennium Library parkade** (560 stalls, built in 1975) is also a below grade facility attached to the City’s main library. It is located in the blocks bounded by Graham and St. Mary Avenues and Donald and Smith Streets. The facility may be entered by either Donald or Smith Streets and will remain open during the millennium library renovation project.

Both of the above facilities are connected to the **Weather Protected Walkway System**, which provides weather protected walkway links to major retail and commercial buildings in Downtown Winnipeg. Patrons at MTS Centre events can pre-book a parking space at the Library and Winnipeg Square parkades through Ticketmaster.

The **Civic Centre parkade** (550 stalls, built in 1964) is an above grade facility that is linked by tunnels to City Hall and the Manitoba Centennial Concert Hall, Planetarium and Manitoba Museum. It is located in the block bounded by William and James Avenues and Princess and King Streets.

**FAST FACTS - Supply:**
- There are approximately 30,000 stalls in downtown of which 60% is managed by Impark, 26% in private ownership and 14% owned by the City.

  On-street Municipal
  - 2,491 meters/stalls

  Off-street Municipal  2,145 stalls
  - Winnipeg Square (978 stalls)
  - Civic Parkade (550 stalls)
  - Centennial Library (560 stalls)
  - 2 small surface lots at McDermot/Main (33 stalls) and Stradbrook/Osborne (24 stalls)