

Operations Bulletin



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Compass Card Update

Effective January 1, 2016, paper versions of monthly passes are no longer available; transit users must now load monthly passes onto an electronic Compass card. Compass cards are available for purchase at [Compass Vending Machines](#) and can even be re-loaded online.

TransLink will soon provide Sea Island employees with magenta-coloured Sea Island Compass cards that will allow you to travel from any one of Sea Island's three Canada Line stations to any other point east of Sea Island without paying the \$5 AddFare.

We are working hard with TransLink to provide these cards to employees as soon as possible. In the meantime, below are some suggestions to avoid the AddFare that is levied and collected by TransLink.

Regular Transit Users:

- If you are a daily user of transit beyond Sea Island and typically use a monthly pass, you can continue to do so. Instead of purchasing a paper monthly ticket, load a monthly pass onto a Compass card; monthly-pass holders are not subject to the AddFare.
- If you use transit daily but only within Sea Island (i.e. to get to your vehicle at Templeton), continue to walk through the open fare gates to access the Canada Line for free travel between Sea Island stations.
- Purchase and/or load your Compass card at a station off of Sea Island, as purchases made at any one of the three stations here are subject to the \$5 AddFare.

Occasional Transit Users:

- Continue to use paper FareSaver tickets to avoid payment of the \$5 AddFare. **Stock up on these tickets soon because effective January 1, TransLink stopped distributing them to retailers.** You can transfer unused FareSaver tickets onto a Compass card at any time.

OR

- Purchase a return paper ticket from any Compass Vending Machine located off of Sea Island before you come to work. The return ticket can then be used for your departure from YVR-Airport, Templeton or Sea Island stations later that day – and you won't have to pay the AddFare. (The return ticket isn't activated until you "tap in" to depart Sea Island.)

For more information on the Compass program, visit <https://www.compasscard.ca/>.

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