PRESS COMMUNIQUE Compulsory Use of Concession MECards (Student, Senior, Priority and Child)



Metro Express Ltd (MEL) wishes to advise the public of important changes for the following category of passengers (Students, Senior Citizens, Persons with Disability and Children under 12 years old).

As from 1st March 2021, in order to benefit from free travel or reduced fares, All Students, Senior Citizens, Persons with Disability and Children under 12 years old (free travel beneficiaries) will need to possess a personalised MECard and documents as per table below. **MEL will no longer accept only NIC cards or student pass for travelling onboard our LRVs.**

Category of Passenger	Required for Free Travel/Reduced Fares	Location to Procure MECard
Senior Citizens	Senior MECard + NIC	TOM office at Rose Hill Station
Persons with Disability	Priority MECard + NIC	Local Social Security Office
Student	Student MECard + Bus pass	Educational Institutions
Children < 12 years	Student MECard or Child MECard	TOM office at Rose Hill or Port Louis Station

For those passengers, including free travel beneficiaries, not holding a MECard, Single Use Tickets are available from our ticket machines at a flat, non-concessional rate.

Hence, MEL urges any free travel beneficiaries wishing to travel on board the Metro, to acquire their personalised MECard, as concession fares will only be applicable to the Concession MECards holders as from 1st of March 2021.

In the event Senior Citizens, Students, Persons with Disability or Children do not possess a valid MECard, **he/she will be required to purchase the Single Use Ticket for travel.** As a reminder, MEL wishes to inform all passengers that to travel on board the Metro, it is compulsory to have a valid ticket. Ticket Inspectors regularly patrol our LRVs for inspection.

For more information on fares, including concessions for travelling on the LRV, please refer to the Metro Express Limited Website: <u>https://mauritiusmetroexpress.mu/</u>

'Remember to TAP-ON at the start of your journey and TAP-OFF at the final destination. Penalty applies for breach of the above conditions.'



Metro Express wishes all passengers a pleasant journey on board its safe, fast and reliable services.

Thank you.

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