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Make Your July 4th Getaway on Metro-North Railroad

Railroad to Provide Enhanced Service for Holiday

Declare your independence from traffic and tolls this July 4th holiday and take Metro-North to celebrate our nation's birthday.

Metro-North Railroad will have lots of extra service on Tuesday, July 3 to help customers looking to get a jump start on the holiday. On Wednesday, July 4, Metro-North will operate on a Sunday schedule.

On Tuesday, July 3, there are 17 extra "getaway" departures from Grand Central Terminal between 1 p.m. and 4:11 p.m.

Service details for Tuesday, July 3 are below:

Hudson Line

Five extra "getaway" trains will depart from Grand Central at:

- 1:38 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Peekskill, Beacon, New Hamburg and Poughkeepsie.
- 2:38 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Peekskill, Beacon, New Hamburg and Poughkeepsie.
- 3:11 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, then all stops between Tarrytown and Croton-Harmon.
- 3:45 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Peekskill, Beacon, New Hamburg and Poughkeepsie.
- 4:11 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Peekskill, Beacon, New Hamburg and Poughkeepsie.

The following Hudson Line trains usually departing Grand Central will not operate:

- The 5:29 p.m. to Poughkeepsie will not operate.

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MTA New York City Transit
MTA Long Island Rail Road

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MTA Bus Company

- The 5:57 p.m. to Croton-Harmon will not operate.
- The 6:12 p.m. to Poughkeepsie will not operate.

Hudson Line Connecting Services:

- The **Hudson Rail Link** will begin a peak level of buses at Spuyten Duyvil starting with the 2:20 p.m. train from Grand Central and at Riverdale starting with the 3:21 p.m. train from Grand Central.
- The **Haverstraw-Ossining Ferry** will have an early ferry trip that will meet the 3:11 p.m. train from Grand Central, which arrives in Ossining at 3:56 p.m. Since the 5:57 p.m. train will not operate, a 6:00 p.m. train from Grand Central, which arrives in Ossining at 6:53 p.m., will be met by the ferry. To accommodate this trip, the ferry will not meet the regular 6:22 p.m. train from Grand Central.
- The **Newburgh-Beacon Ferry** will have three early trips meeting the 2:43 p.m., 3:18 p.m. and 3:48 p.m. trains from Grand Central.

Harlem Line

Nine extra "getaway" trains will depart from Grand Central at:

- 2:15 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, then all stations between Scarsdale and North White Plains.
- 3:13 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, then White Plains and North White Plains only.
- 3:34 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, White Plains, North White Plains, then all stations between Goldens Bridge through Southeast.

The following Harlem Line trains usually departing Grand Central will not operate:

- The 5:27 p.m. to Southeast.
- The 5:38 p.m. to Crestwood.
- The 5:58 p.m. to Crestwood.
- The 7:03 p.m. to North White Plains.
- The 7:28 p.m. to North White Plains.

New Haven Line

Nine extra "getaway" trains will depart from Grand Central at:

- 12:58 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Westport, and all stations between Fairfield and New Haven.
- 2:01 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Westport, and all stations between Fairfield and New Haven.
- 2:28 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Westport, and all stations between Fairfield and New Haven.
- 2:31 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, New Rochelle, Larchmont, Mamaroneck and Harrison.
- 2:56 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Stamford then all stations between Noroton Heights and South Norwalk.

- 2:59 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, New Rochelle, Larchmont, Mamaroneck and Harrison.
- 3:26 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, then all stations between New Rochelle and Harrison.
- 3:29 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Westport and all stations between Fairfield and New Haven.
- 4:00 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street, Stamford and all stations between Bridgeport and New Haven.

The following New Haven Line trains from Grand Central will not operate or are combined:

- 5:18 p.m. to Harrison and the 5:21 p.m. to New Rochelle are combined, departing Grand Central at 5:21 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street and all stations between Mount Vernon East and Harrison.
- 5:41 p.m. to New Haven will not operate.
- 5:57 p.m. to Harrison and 6:02 p.m. to New Rochelle are combined, departing Grand Central at 6:02 p.m., making all stops between Mount Vernon East and Harrison.
- 6:07 p.m. to New Haven and the 6:13 p.m. to Bridgeport are combined, departing Grand Central at 6:13 p.m., stopping at Harlem-125th Street and all stations between South Norwalk and New Haven.
- 6:49 p.m. to New Haven will not operate
- 7:09 p.m. to Harrison will not operate

Metro-North will offer extended July 4 getaway service for West of Hudson customers.

Port Jervis Line

The regularly scheduled departure from Hoboken at 2:41 p.m., stopping at Secaucus Junction, and all stops between Suffern and Middletown/Town of Walkill, will be extended to stop at Otisville and Port Jervis. Customers from Manhattan wishing to connect to this train should be on the 2:29 p.m. departure from New York-Penn Station to connect at Secaucus Junction. To accommodate this service, the 6:15 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Port Jervis will not operate.

Pascack Valley Line

The regularly scheduled Pascack Valley Friday-only train will depart Hoboken at 2:58 p.m., with a connection departing New York-Penn Station at 2:51 p.m., making stops at select stations in New Jersey, and Pearl River, Nanuet and Spring Valley.

Wednesday July 4

On Wednesday, July 4, Metro-North will operate a Sunday schedule with one additional train on the New Haven Line to get you home from the annual Macy's Fireworks. The train departs Grand Central Terminal at 11:14 p.m., and Harlem-125th Street at 11:23 p.m., making stops at

Westport, Fairfield, Fairfield-Metro, Bridgeport, Stratford, Milford, West Haven, and New Haven.

Metro-North also provides service to Rye on the New Haven Line, with shuttle buses to Rye Playland where Westchester County puts on its own spectacular fireworks extravaganza over the Long Island Sound.

West of Hudson service will also operate on a weekend schedule with an extra inbound train from Port Jervis.

The Hudson Line connecting services--the Hudson Rail Link, the Haverstraw-Ossining ferry and the Newburgh-Beacon ferry--will not operate on Wednesday, July 4.

Many Channels for Service Updates

Information about the planned service change noted in this press release, and all planned service changes, is available through Metro-North Railroad's real-time service information sources:

Email and text message service updates – Customers are urged to sign up to receive the alerts by visiting MyMTAAlerts.com. To avoid unwanted messages, a user can tailor the messages to the specific branch, and the specific times of day.

MTA.info – The rail tab of the “Service Status” box at the left side of www.MTA.info is always the definitive source for the latest status for each branch, updated every minute. In addition, customers can visit www.mta.info/mnr to see special service notices in the upper center of the page.

@MetroNorth on Twitter – Twitter users can follow @MetroNorth to receive updates of a similar nature to the email and text alerts, shortened to fit Twitter's format.

Metro-North Train Time app – Customers who use the Metro-North Train Time app will see up-to-the-minute status for each upcoming train at each station. The app is available via the Apple Store for iOS devices or Google Play Store for Android along with MTA eTix - Metro-North Railroad's mobile ticketing app which allows customers to buy Metro-North tickets on their mobile device -- anytime, anywhere. As a caution, trains that start out their trips on time may experience delays en route.

The above communications channels can be accessed while at home or on the go. For customers who are located at stations, Metro-North will post the latest service updates on **digital signs at station platforms** and will make **audio announcements** over public address systems, and **on-board announcements** made by train crews.

For those who prefer the **telephone**, information is available from the Metro-North's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying: "Metro-North Railroad." For customers calling from Connecticut, the number is: 877-690-5114. Those who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred service provider for the free 711 relay to reach Metro-North at 511.

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