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Make Your July Fourth Getaway on Metro-North *Railroad to Offer 17 Early Train Departures on Friday, June 30*

Avoid the holiday traffic headaches. Riding MTA Metro-North Railroad is the most convenient and relaxing way to get a jump on your Fourth of July weekend and get to your destination on time.

On Friday, June 30, Metro-North will offer 17 extra getaway departures from Grand Central Terminal between 1 p.m. and 4:11 p.m. Certain Friday evening departures from Grand Central Terminal will be combined or cancelled. There will be extended service on the Port Jervis and Pascack Valley Lines.

A regular weekend schedule will be in effect on Saturday, July 1, and Sunday, July 2. On Monday, July 3, Metro-North will operate a regular weekday schedule.

On Tuesday, July 4, Metro-North will operate on a Sunday schedule, with an additional outbound train on the New Haven Line for customers traveling home from the Macy's fireworks display, and an additional Hoboken-bound train on the Port Jervis Line.

Service details are below:

Friday, June 30:

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.

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MTA New York City Transit
MTA Long Island Rail Road

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- 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 trains usually departing from Grand Central will not operate or will be combined:

- The 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.
- The 5:41 p.m. to New Haven will not operate.
- The 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.
- The 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, Stamford and all stations between South Norwalk and New Haven.
- The 6:49 p.m. to New Haven will not operate.
- The 7:09 p.m. to Harrison will not operate.

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 trains usually departing Grand Central will not operate:

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

Three extra getaway trains will depart from Grand Central at:

- 2:18 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 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 7:05 p.m. to North White Plains
- The 7:28 p.m. to North White Plains

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 Wallkill, 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., and stop at Secaucus Junction, select stations in New Jersey, and Pearl River, Nanuet and Spring Valley. Customers from Manhattan who are wishing to connect to this train should be on the 2:51 p.m. departure from New York-Penn Station to connect at Secaucus Junction. To accommodate this train, the 7:20 p.m. departure from Hoboken to Spring Valley will not operate.

Saturday, July 1 and Sunday, July 2:

A regular weekend schedule will be in effect on all lines.

Monday, July 3:

Metro-North will operate a regular weekday schedule on all lines.

Tuesday, July 4:

A Sunday schedule will be in effect with an extra outbound train on the New Haven Line and an extra inbound train on the Port Jervis Lines.

New Haven Line:

- An additional train will depart from Grand Central Terminal at 11:13 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.

Port Jervis Line:

- An extra afternoon inbound train will depart Port Jervis at 4:09 p.m., making all stops through Suffern, then run express to Secaucus Junction and Hoboken, arriving at 6:24 p.m. A connection from Secaucus Junction to New York-Penn Station will depart at 6:20 p.m., arriving in New York at 6:33 p.m.

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.

Metro-North has many channels for schedule information and service updates.

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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