

SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

ALL TRANSIT DIVISIONS

TARIFF NO. 2

SUPPLEMENT NO. 22

RATES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING PASSENGER
TRANSPORTATION BY MOTORBUSES IN CHARTERED SERVICE IN
PHILADELPHIA, MONTGOMERY, CHESTER, BUCKS AND DELAWARE COUNTIES

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CHANGES MADE BY THIS TARIFF

- 1) All rates were changed to the rates of the Tariff effective July 1, 2010, inflated by two percent.
- 2) Charter rates will automatically increase two percent per year as per Attachment A.

(A) RATES

Rates listed are for Non-Profit and Governmental entities that qualify for income tax exemption under the Internal Revenue Service Code. Documentation to support claim status must be submitted with deposit as outlined in Section (B) Regulations Number 6. Rates are to be increased by ten percent (rounded to the nearest dollar) if the charter is for an individual, group or organization that fails to meet the income tax exemption requirements outlined above.

An annual increase of two percent, rounded to the nearest \$5.00, will be automatically applied to all rates. The rates for SEPTA fiscal years (July 1 to June 30) 2018 through 2021 are noted in Schedule A. Charters for a period of time beyond June 30, 2021 will be addressed in a subsequent tariff amendment. The automatic increases also apply to the deposits and cancellation fees found in Section C Regulations.

Charges for charter of a small bus (30 feet) are as follows:

Time:

First Four Hours \$705.00 per bus
(minimum charter period)

Each Additional Hour \$220.00 per bus
(or fraction thereof)

Charges for charter of a medium bus (40 feet) or an electric motorbus are as follows:

Time:

First Four Hours \$860.00 per bus
(minimum charter period)

Each Additional Hour \$240.00 per bus
(or fraction thereof)

Charges for charter of an articulated bus (60 feet) are as follows:

Time:

First Four Hours \$1,020.00 per bus
(minimum charter period)

Each Additional Hour \$265.00 per bus
(or fraction thereof)

- 1) Weekend rates are the same as standard base rates.
- 2) The rates established above include mileage costs. Toll charges will be charged at cost.
- 3) Support services/special moves for motorbus and van vehicles shall be ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$150.00) per hour.

- 4) The rates charged will be for the actual hours of operation. It must be agreed in advance that any route adjustments in operations which would increase the hourly cost of the service will be the responsibility of the chartering party, who will be billed for same.

(B) INDIVIDUAL FARE SERVICES

- 1) For groups desiring to collect individual fares from their members, unit fare estimates will be provided to them based on the full estimated cost of the proposed service divided by the number of patrons anticipated to use the service.
- 2) When such individual fare collection is requested, chartering groups will not be given billing privileges, and full payment must be made in advance. By such pre-arrangement, SEPTA will collect individual fares at the request of the chartering party and refund the balance of fares to them after deducting any balance due for the service provided.

(C) REGULATIONS

- 1) Chartering of buses for group or party special excursion tour and/or sightseeing is limited to points and places of origin and destination within Philadelphia, Montgomery, Bucks, Delaware and Chester Counties.
- 2) Charges will be based on time from garage to point of origin, to point of destination, to point of origin, and return to garage.
- 3) **Cancellation Charges**
 - a) Buses chartered for service and cancelled less than 24 hours and more than two (2) hours before time requested at starting point – TWO HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$255).
 - b) Buses chartered for service and cancelled less than two (2) hours before time requested at starting point (if bus has not left garage) - the minimum charge is THREE HUNDRED NINETY DOLLARS (\$390.00).
 - c) If bus has left the garage and has arrived at starting point before being notified of cancellation, the minimum charge is FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS (\$520.00).
- 4) Buses chartered for service and held for usage at point of origin for a period exceeding 30 minutes of scheduled leaving time will be charged at Base Rate, as detailed in Attachment A.
- 5) **The chartering of motorbuses is contingent upon the following:**
 - a) A sufficient number of motorbuses and drivers available for this service.
 - b) The ability of the Authority to supply the service without affecting the operation of its regular route service.

- c) Proof of adequate insurance, as required by SEPTA's Risk Management Department.
 - d) Service available in this tariff adheres to the guidelines outlined in Section 604 of the Federal Mass Transit act of 1964 as amended.
- 6) **Deposits, Credit, Billing**
- a) A deposit of THREE HUNDRED NINETY DOLLARS (\$390.00) is required when an order for chartered bus service is placed, unless credit has been established.
 - b) Full payment of the quoted estimated cost of each charter movement will be required in cash, money order, or certified check at scheduled departure time where satisfactory credit has not yet been established or maintained. Failure to make such payment will result in the service not being operated.
 - c) Certain repetitive charter patrons who have firmly established satisfactory payment patterns may be granted credit at the sole discretion of SEPTA's Collection and Credit Supervisor in the Finance Department.
 - d) All payments for any balance over and above the estimated amount already paid, from patrons to whom credit has already been extended, must be paid in full no more than 10 calendar days following the date of SEPTA's billing. All payments are to be made to SEPTA, 1234 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107, Attn. Finance Department, Credit and Collection Supervisor.
- 7) All tolls, parking, trip license fees, special permits, etc. are to be paid to the collecting agent by the patron at the time payment is required for the service.
 - 8) Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority assumes no liability for patrons or their possessions while off the vehicle during stopovers and while at the destination. SEPTA cannot be responsible for delays in service beyond its control such as caused by weather, traffic conditions, etc.
 - 9) The chartering party will be held responsible for any physical damage to buses or other SEPTA equipment or facilities.
 - 10) Alcoholic beverages and/or inebriated passengers will not be permitted. The Authority reserves the right to refuse service or evict from SEPTA vehicles and/or facilities any person carrying any article or substance of objectionable nature or under the influence of liquor or drugs, or whose conduct is objectionable to other passengers. If necessary, such a person(s) may be forcibly evicted from Authority premises.
 - 11) The Authority endeavors to maintain the time of arrival at points of origin and destination, but cannot guarantee to arrive at or depart from any point at a specific time. The Authority shall not be liable for delays caused by accidents, breakdowns, and other circumstances beyond its control.

Attachment A

Rate Schedule for Non Profit and Governmental Entities

	FY 2018 Effective <u>July 1, 2017</u>	FY 2019 Effective <u>July 1, 2018</u>	FY 2020 Effective <u>July 1, 2019</u>	FY 2021 Effective <u>July 1, 2020</u>
Small Bus Base Rate				
First Four Hours (Minimum Charter Period)	\$705.00	\$720.00	\$735.00	\$750.00
Small Bus Additional Hour	\$220.00	\$225.00	\$230.00	\$235.00
Medium Bus or Electric Motorbus Base Rate				
First Four Hours (Minimum Charter Period)	\$860.00	\$875.00	\$890.00	\$910.00
Medium Bus or Electric Motorbus Additional Hour	\$240.00	\$245.00	\$250.00	\$255.00
Articulated Bus Base Rate				
First Four Hours (Minimum Charter Period)	\$1,020.00	\$1,040.00	\$1,060.00	\$1,080.00
Articulated Bus Additional Hour	\$265.00	\$270.00	\$275.00	\$280.00
Support Services Per Hour	\$150.00	\$155.00	\$160.00	\$165.00
Cancellation Charge More Than Two But Less Than Twenty Four Hour Notice	\$255.00	\$260.00	\$265.00	\$270.00
Cancellation Charge Less Than Two Hour Notice But Not Left Depot	\$390.00	\$400.00	\$410.00	\$420.00
Cancellation Charge Up To One Half Hour After Vehicle Left Depot	\$520.00	\$530.00	\$540.00	\$550.00
Deposit	\$390.00	\$400.00	\$410.00	\$420.00