

2017 Try Transit Week
Contest Rules and Regulations
Department of Rail and Public Transportation

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Official rules for the Try Transit Week transit service contest are below. The contest is sponsored by the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (Contest Sponsor). If you have any questions regarding the official rules of the contest, contact Contest Sponsor by phone at (804) 786-4440, by email at DRPTPR@drpt.virginia.gov, by fax at (804) 225-3752 or by mail at Public Information Office, DRPT, 600 East Main St., Suite 2102 Richmond, VA 23219.

• **TO ENTER**

- To enter the contest a person must complete the 2017 Try Transit Week pledge form.
- Pledges will be accepted through September 22, 2017.
- Visit www.trytransitweek.org and fill out the pledge form on the contest registration page.
- Contest Sponsor does not assume responsibility for:
 - Late, lost, misdirected, damaged, incomplete or illegible entries
 - Telephone, electronic, hardware, software program, network, Internet or computer malfunctions, delays or difficulties
 - Errors in transmission
 - Events beyond the control of the Contest Sponsor which may impact a participant's ability to submit a registration form
 - Printing or typographical errors
- The participant certifies that all information provided on the registration form is correct. The Contest Sponsor assumes no responsibility for false information that may result in disqualification or the inability to claim contest prize. False information provided by a participant shall constitute a basis for disqualification or revocation of any prize awarded.
- Sponsor reserves the right to cancel the contest if it determines that the integrity of the contest is corrupted.
- Limit one entry per person.
- Odds of winning depend upon the number of pledges received.
- Odds of winning do not depend upon the type of transit used.

• **ELIGIBILITY**

- The contest is open to all Virginia residents, 18 years of age or older.
- Employees, officers, directors, or other representatives of the Contest Sponsor and any transit or commuter assistance agency which receives grant funding from the Commonwealth of Virginia, as well as immediate family members (parents, spouse, children, siblings, grandparents, grandchildren and any other person residing in the same household) of such persons, are not eligible to win the contest.

- **HOW TO WIN AND CLAIM PRIZE**

- The contest winner will be randomly selected and will be notified by October 3, 2017.
- The contest winner will be notified by phone and/or email.
- If the initially selected contest winner cannot be contacted, is ineligible, refuses the prize or fails to claim the prize by 3:00 p.m. on October 10, 2017, an alternative winner will be selected. The selection process will be repeated until an eligible person is selected who claims the prize by 3:00 p.m. on the seventh day after being randomly selected and notified.
- To receive the prize, the contest winner must be able to present a valid form of identification to the Contest Sponsor before the prize is awarded.
- Once the winner's eligibility is validated, the winner will select the transit operator of his or her choice. Contest Sponsor will work with selected transit operator to obtain a pass valid for one year of service or a combination of passes for a total of one year of transit fares. Contest sponsor will also work with Amtrak to procure the necessary travel vouchers for two round trip tickets. See prize information below for more details.
- The contest winner consents to the use of his/her name and city of residence for publicity and commercial purposes without further compensation unless prohibited by law.
- The contest winner's name will be posted on trytransitweek.org.

- **PRIZE**

- Contest prize is:
 - A year's use of transit on the selected transit operator's service for free (unless the winner receives a transportation subsidy from his or her employer, in which case the contest prize will be the amount that the winner pays out-of-pocket for the selected transit operator's service), value not to exceed \$3,500, and a round-trip pair of tickets on Amtrak's Northeast Regional, with travel to commence out of any station in Virginia with passage to as far north as Boston. Additional rules apply to the Amtrak ticket, and can be found at the end of this document.*
 - Transit operator must operate service in Virginia.
 - Prize will be issued by way of single yearly pass, or monthly, bi-monthly or six-month passes, in accordance to present distribution method of selected transit operator.
 - Prizes are non-transferable, non-refundable and not exchangeable for cash or other prizes.
 - Winner will report any issues, concerns or malfunctions of the transit pass to the transit operator.
- Additional prizes are provided by participating local transit provider and are only available to valid winners in that locality.

- **ADDITIONAL TERMS**

- All applicable federal, state and local laws apply.
- Void where prohibited.

- Contest winner is responsible for any and all taxes associated with the acceptance of the contest prize.
- Contest winner accepts all liabilities relating to acceptance and use of the contest prize. Contest Sponsor accepts no liability or responsibility for damages, losses or injuries of any kind resulting from acceptance or use of the contest prize.
- Contest Sponsor reserves the right to modify these rules for clarification purposes without affecting the terms and conditions of the contest.
- Contest winner's name and contact information will be shared in order to allow the transit operators in the winner's localities, in order to allow transit operators to coordinate notification to contest winner and distribution of prizes.

***AMTRAK RULES**

- **GENERAL RULES:** Open only to residents of the 48 contiguous United States and Washington, D.C. who, as of the date of entry, are 18 years or older. Employees of Amtrak, its affiliates, subsidiaries, any co-sponsors and its affiliates and subsidiaries, advertising and promotion agencies and the immediate family members and/or those living in the same household of each are not eligible. Void where prohibited by law. Transportation award tickets have no cash value and may not be redeemed for cash, transferred or bartered. All applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. Potential winners must execute any required Affidavit of Eligibility/Release of Liability/Prize Acceptance Form within 15 days of attempted notification. Travel companions will be required to sign and return a liability release prior to traveling. Noncompliance within this time period may result in Disqualification and an alternate may be selected. Travel is subject to availability and certain blackout dates may apply. Companions must travel together. Meal, taxes and other expenses are not included. Prize winners may purchase sleeping accommodations for rail travel at their expense. Travel must be completed within twelve months of the date notification is mailed or otherwise made. Sponsor reserves the right to substitute prize of equal or greater value. Acceptance of prize constitutes permission to the sponsor and its agencies to use winner name and/or likeness for the purposes of advertising and trade without further compensation, unless prohibited by law. By participating in this promotion, entrants agree to be bound by the Official Rules and the decisions of the judges. By accepting prize, winner agrees to hold sponsors harmless against any and all claims and liability arising out of use of prize. Winner assumes all liability for any injury or damage caused, or claimed to be caused by participation in this promotion or use or redemption of any prize.