

# How to Pay Your Fare

The TAP card is a transit smart card that holds all your Foothill Transit passes, EZ transit pass and cash on a reusable card. Think of it as your personal transit wallet! You can purchase passes by calling **1-866-TAP-TO-GO**, visiting [taptogo.net](http://taptogo.net), or by visiting a TAP vendor location (visit [foothilltransit.org/tap](http://foothilltransit.org/tap) for locations). To board using your TAP card, simply tap the card on the fare box. There's a blue circle on the fare boxes – aim for that. Your correct fare is automatically deducted from the card, whether it's cash or a pass that you have loaded. Just TAP and go!



**Cash or TAP** TAP cards may be loaded with cash value, which works just like a gift card. The fare box will automatically deduct the correct fare each time you tap the card on the farebox. But that's not all, you can save when paying with your TAP card. Take a look at the fare chart to see how much you can save on each ride. Cash value is offered in five dollar increments up to a maximum amount of \$200 per TAP card.

Our fare boxes still accept good old-fashioned cash. **Exact change only. Pennies are not accepted.** Insert the correct fare for your ride in the proper coin and bill slots.



**Day Pass** As long as you have a TAP card, you can also buy your Day Pass on board your bus! Here's how.

1. Tell your bus operator you want to buy a Day Pass.
2. Tap your TAP card on the blue circle. If you don't have enough stored value on your card, you can pay the difference by inserting cash (no pennies) into the farebox.

**Exact change only.**

3. That's it – your Day Pass is loaded. You can now ride any local line and the Silver Streak as often as you like until 3 a.m. the next day. You'll need to tap your card every time you board the bus.



**31-Day Pass** A TAP card loaded with a Foothill Transit 31-Day Pass allows you unlimited travel for a 31-day period beginning on the day the card is first used on the bus. Discount passes are also available.



**EZ transit pass** If you travel between different transit systems in the Los Angeles County, then this is the pass for you. The EZ transit pass is good for travel on 26 different transit agencies in L.A. County, including us!

Check with the following transit agencies to see if their service requires a premium zone: Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA), Baldwin Park Transit, Beach

Cities Transit, Burbank Bus, Carson Circuit, Compton Renaissance Transit Systems, Culver CityBus, Foothill Transit, Glendale Beeline, GTrans (Gardena), Huntington Park Transit Unlimited, LA County Department of Public Works, LADOT Transit, Long Beach Transit, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), Metro, City of Monterey Park Spirit Bus, Montebello Bus Lines, Norwalk Transit System, Palos Verdes Peninsula Transit Authority, Pasadena Transit, Santa Clarita Transit, Santa Monica Big Blue Bus, and Torrance Transit.

**TAP Card Balance Protection** Register your TAP card and protect it with Balance Protection. If your **regular TAP card** is lost or stolen, you will have to purchase a new TAP card. Once purchased, you may contact TAP to transfer the balance to your new TAP card. If your **discounted TAP card** is lost or stolen, you will have to pay a replacement fee of \$5. You'll receive a new TAP card with the remaining balance and passes intact in the mail. Apply for Balance Protection at [taptogo.net](http://taptogo.net) or by calling 1-866-TAPTOGO (827-8646).

**Discount TAP Cards** Seniors, disabled, and student customers will need to apply for a reduced-fare TAP card to purchase a discounted pass. If this is your first time getting a TAP card, a temporary card will be issued to you until your permanent card is mailed. **DO NOT** throw your temporary card away when you receive your permanent card in the mail – your pass is still loaded on your temporary card. Wait until the pass expires, and you can begin using your new permanent TAP card to purchase and load your next passes.