

# The MyCiTi Fare Rules

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## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. In these Fare Rules the following terms shall have the meaning indicated:
  - 1.1.1. "Condition" means a condition listed in the Terms and Conditions of the MyCiTi Tariff;
  - 1.1.2. "Dial-and-Ride Tariff" means the Network Management Tariff items applicable to the City's Dial-and-Ride public transport service.
  - 1.1.3. "MyCiTi Tariff" means the Contracted Road-Based Public Transport Tariffs, or the Dial-and-Ride Tariff;
- 1.2. These Fare Rules have been issued in terms of Condition 3(a) of the MyCiTi Tariff.
- 1.3. These Fare Rules also contain transitional arrangements towards the implementation of MyCiTi Tariff components, as contemplated in Condition 2.1(3).
- 1.4. The MyCiTi Tariffs are subject to these Fare Rules.
- 1.5. The terms used in these Fare Rules have the same meaning as defined in the MyCiTi Tariffs or in the MyCiTi Rules. If there is conflict in the definitions contained in these two documents, the definition of the MyCiTi Tariffs prevails.

## 2. Transitional arrangements regarding changes to Mover Packages and Monthlies

- 2.1. The MyCiTi Tariffs provide for various Mover Packages that Customers may purchase.
- 2.2. The following transitional arrangements will apply regarding the change:
  - 2.2.1. At kiosks operated by the City or contractors on behalf of the City, as of 01 July 2018:

- (a) the System-wide Monthly will be charged at R 850.00 as is provided in the approved MyCiTi Tariff, instead of the previous price of R 780.00;
  - (b) the Mover1000 will no longer be available, since it has been removed in the approved MyCiTi Tariff.
- 2.2.2. At off-station retailers and Absa automated teller machines (ATMs) where Mover Packages and the System-wide Monthly can be loaded, these changes will be implemented on a date falling between 01 – 31 July 2018.
- 2.2.3. Within the time window provided in 2.2.2, prior to the change referred to, the Mover1000 and System-wide Monthly charged at R 780.00 at these locations will be effective, and after the change the highest Mover Package shall be Mover600 and the System-wide Monthly will be charged at R850.00.

### **3. Implementation of changes to the AM Peak Fare Period**

- 3.1. The MyCiTi Tariff provides that the Peak Fare Period changes from 06:45-08:00 to 06:30-07:45 on weekdays.
- 3.2. The implementation of this amended Peak Fare Period has been delayed by decision of the Commissioner, as provided in Condition 2.11 of the MyCiTi Tariff, until further notice.

### **4. Impact of a strike on Monthly and Day Passes**

- 4.1. "Monthly Passes" refer to any category of monthlies that can be loaded at the relevant time.
- 4.2. The City may offer an extension of Monthly Passes whenever there is a general strike, where such strike results in Customers with Monthly Passes being disadvantaged.
- 4.3. The term "strike" means a general strike or lockout listed in Annexure A to these Fare Rules, which strike by employees of MyCiTi contractors or City staff or a lockout of such employees affects the MyCiTi services on any given day to a significant degree, or any other strike or lockout that have a similar impact.
- 4.4. The term "strike-affected day" means a day on which there were no MyCiTi services due to such strike, falling within the period of a Monthly Pass that had been loaded and active on the Customer's relevant Smartcard.
- 4.5. The following fare rule will apply to Customers who are eligible:
  - 4.5.1. A Customer who had loaded on their Smartcard a Monthly Pass that was valid on any strike-affected day may apply using the prescribed form to have

their current Monthly Pass extended by, or to have a new Monthly Pass loaded, regarding the verified number of strike-affected days (referred to as “the verified extension”).

4.5.2. In order to redeem the verified extension the Customer must return to the kiosk indicated on their form within the number of days indicated on such form.

4.5.3. Once the City has verified the number of strike-affected days relevant to the Customer’s Smartcard, the Customer may:

- have a current and valid Monthly Pass extended by the verified number of strike-affected days; or
- have a Pass loaded for the verified number of strike-affected days. This pass will nominally be recorded as a “Monthly Pass”, but actually is a pass only for the number of verified strike-affected days.

4.5.4. The Monthly Pass referred to in 4.5.2 may only be loaded onto the Smartcard upon which the Monthly Pass was loaded at the time of the strike or, if such Smartcard had expired, then a card that has replaced such card through the formal MyCiTi Smartcard replacement procedure.

4.6. Similar steps may be taken regarding Day Passes that are valid on strike-affected days.

## 5. Concessions

### 5.1. Background

5.1.1. Cl. 10 of the Conditions to the MyCiTi Tariffs provide that the following persons are exempted from paying the transport tariffs:

(a) Category 1 – Law enforcement officers (provided that they are wearing uniforms as prescribed by their service and carrying their service identification cards): South African Police Services and law enforcement officers from the following City services: Metro Police, Law Enforcement and Traffic Services. Note that a similar concession in favour of SA National Defence Force (“SANDF”) staff *was withdrawn* in 2016 and therefore that NO SANDF staff may travel on MyCiTi without paying the full fare, despite wording to the contrary that may be contained in the MyCiTi Rules.

(b) Category 2 – Public transport operations and monitoring staff: Vehicle Operator Companies (VOCs) and Station Management Contractors:

- Only those staff members permitted in the relevant contract with the City to travel without paying the prescribed fare;
- City and its contractors' staff responsible for fare management and contract compliance monitoring ;

- Event specific volunteers or staff deployed by the City.

(c) Category 3 – City technical team members and others

- TDA System Planning, Infrastructure, Operations and Business Development technical staff (Monitoring, continuous improvement and to aid planning) or others as authorised.

(d) Condition 10.6(a) provides that the concessions in Categories 1 to 3 will apply only if the Commissioner authorises such on an individual basis, where exceptional circumstances justifying such concession exist.

(e) Category 5 - Concession Fare for Targeted Groups during limited time periods

- Such a concession was introduced in October 2017, as a pilot, for jobseekers.
- This concession comes to an end on 30 June 2018.

5.2. Contractors passes:

5.2.1. Contractors travelling on the system due to responsibility for fare system management and contract compliance monitoring are covered under category 2 above.

5.2.2. Contractors not travelling on the system but working on stations are not governed by the Tariff's concessions but are subject rather the access requirements of the Manager, Facilities who requires the contractor to make application on the prescribed form.

5.2.3. Should any of these contractors have to travel on the system they must purchase a **myconnect** card and load sufficient value.

5.3. Guest Passes may be issued for marketing purposes, promotional events and ad hoc inspections, subject to cl 5.4.

5.4. All manual passes issued prior to 1 September 2018 and which are on their face still valid will expire on 31 October 2018, irrespective of the expiry date indicated on the face of the pass. Only passes issued on or after 1 September 2018, and bearing the City authorised design from this date, shall be permitted as concessionary passes as from 1 November 2018.

5.5. The following transitional arrangements apply regarding Category 1-3 concessions:

5.5.1. Regarding Category 1 concessions: Persons falling within this category may continue accessing MyCiTi premises on the basis as applied prior implementation of these Fare Rules. From 1 November 2018, they are permitted to access the MyCiTi Premises only if such concession has been granted, if they are bearing a valid Smartcard with the required travel value loaded or as otherwise provided for in law.

5.5.2. Regarding Category 2 and 3 concessions: Persons falling within any of these two categories may continue accessing MyCiTi premises on the basis as

applied prior implementation of these Fare Rules. From 1 November 2018, they are permitted to access the MyCiTi Premises only if such concession has been granted, alternatively if they are bearing a valid Smartcard with the required travel value loaded.

5.6. Travel Assistant– i.e. a person accompanying a Person with Disabilities

5.6.1. Condition 10.4(b) provides that a “person accompanying a disabled person is exempted from paying the MyCiTi Tariff provided that such a person has a certificate issued by a registered medical practitioner confirming that the relevant disabled person/s cannot travel without such assistance, subject further to any relevant Fare Rules.”

5.6.2. **The implementation of this concession is postponed until the Fare Rules applicable to the granting and administration of this concession has been issued.**

***5.6.3. The terms of the proposed Fare Rules are indicated below to facilitate consultation and consideration of the conditions and to plan the implementation of this concession.***

5.6.4. The person accompanying the Person with Disabilities is referred to as a Travel Assistant and the relevant pass is referred to as a Travel Assistant Pass. The Travel Assistant Pass is issued to the person with disabilities or his / her Travel Assistant, but applies only to the Travel Assistant, not to the Person with Disabilities him / herself.

5.6.5. The term “Person with Disabilities” means a disabled person who is so severely disabled that it would be impossible for them to reasonably use, board or alight from government subsidised general public transport reasonably available in the area without the assistance of a Travel Assistant.

5.6.6. A person who requires an assistant for disability related functioning. The effect of the disability may be such that the help of a Travel Assistant is required only on some occasions. Therefore it is not required that the Person with Disabilities must need the help of a Travel Assistant on every journey to qualify for a travel assistant Pass.

5.6.7. The disability must be permanent or must have lasted or must be likely to last for at least 12 months.

5.6.8. The medical conditions indicating such severe disability may include the following, but only if the requirements of 5.6.5 are met:

- (a) Severe learning difficulties;
- (b) Challenging behaviours, resulting in the Person with Disabilities needing to be supervised at all time;
- (c) Severe cognitive and mental impairments and disorders;
- (d) A combination of severe visual and hearing loss;
- (e) The need to use a wheelchair.

- 5.6.9. In order to qualify, the City requires that the Person with Disabilities submit to the nominated City or MyCiTi office documentary evidence confirming that the Person with Disabilities meets the above criteria:
- (a) This could include a letter from a doctor or other medical specialist or a social worker or occupational therapist ("Medical Professional") confirming that the Person with Disabilities would, by nature of his/her disability, find it impossible to travel on public passenger transport services without the assistance of a Travel Assistant.
  - (b) The documentary evidence must specify the medical condition(s) that the Person with Disabilities suffers from.
  - (c) All documentary evidence and letters must be written on letterheads from the relevant organisation and signed and dated by the Medical Professional indicated, with their names clearly legible and with full contact details.
- 5.6.10. The City reserves the right to assess an application on all the available evidence and to contact and engage with the relevant Medical Professional. The City may require of the Person with Disabilities to see a Medical Professional of the City's choice. Where in the City's view insufficient evidence has been submitted to grant the application, the City will refuse the application.
- 5.6.11. The City will not be liable for any expenses incurred by the Person with Disabilities in obtaining and submitting documentation, including photographic and/or medical evidence if necessary, for the purpose of applying for a Travel Assistant Pass.
- 5.6.12. The City is under a duty to protect the public funds it administers. The City may therefore share information provided to it, with other bodies responsible for auditing or administering public funds in order to prevent and detect fraud.
- 5.6.13. The additional Fare Rules that such a person must comply with prior to being exempted are as follows:
- (a) The Travel Assistant Pass shall bear the photograph of the Person with Disabilities.
  - (b) Only the one Travel Assistant may accompany the Person with Disabilities without paying the fare, provided the Person with Disabilities is present and a valid Travel Assistant Pass is presented for such entry.
  - (c) The Travel Assistant Pass provides a free concession only regarding the Person with Disabilities' travel assistant, not regarding the Person with Disabilities himself / herself. Thus the Person with Disabilities must pay their fare as would any other passenger.

## 6. Dial-and-Ride fare rules

- 6.1. Currently fares on Dial-a-Ride must be paid in cash to the operator operating Dial-a-Ride on behalf of the City and cannot be paid using the **myconnect** card.
- 6.2. Condition 2 to the Dial-and-Ride Tariff provides that, in order to achieve integrated ticketing, including free transfers between Dial-a-Ride services and other Contracted Road-based Public Transport services, the Commissioner may make the Contracted Road-based Public Transport tariff table applicable to Dial-a-Ride services, in place of the tariffs above, from a date as notified on the TDA website or in the press. Currently no such free transfer is possible.

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### Annexure A

#### **Strikes regarding which the City Fare Rule 3 applies**

The general strikes in the South African road passenger transport industry, 12-16 April 2017 (inclusive); and 18 April – 14 May 2018 (inclusive).