

Merritt Transit

RIDER'S GUIDE

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City of Merritt | BCTransit

Welcome Aboard

There are two kinds of transit service:

- Merritt Transit provides service to major destinations and residential areas in Merritt and Lower Nicola;
- Kamloops Transit provides Health Connections regional service to Kamloops and Kelowna.

About Your Transit System

Funding for Merritt Transit is cost shared between the City of Merritt and BC Transit through a partnership with Thompson Nicola Regional District and Lower Nicola Indian Band.

Decisions on fares, routes and service levels are made by the City Council based on information and planning provided by BC Transit. Buses are operated by Nicola Valley Transportation Society.

Contact

Transit Information: 250-378-4080
 Lost & Found: 250-378-4080
 Web: bctransit.com
 Email: mannvts@telus.net
 Address: Box 934
 Merritt, BC V1K 1B8

If you have suggestions or comments, contact:

City of Merritt, 2185 Voght Street
 Merritt, BC V1K 1B8
 250-378-4224

Health Connections

Service to Kamloops and Kelowna

Health Connections is a transit service providing communities with accessible transportation options to access non-emergency medical appointments. Although medical appointments have priority, everyone is eligible to use this service if space is available.

Service is available to any community along the route. You must phone 24 hours ahead to arrange your trip. When scheduling medical appointments, let them know you will be using Health Connections.

Pick up a Health Connections flyer at any health facility, on board the bus, visit bctransit.com or phone 250-376-7525 in Kamloops or 1-888-376-7525.

One-way fare for a Health Connections trip is \$5.00.

Government of BC Bus Pass Program

The BC Bus Pass Program is offered by the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction. The annual bus pass is valid for the eligible rider on any fixed-route transit service. The pass is non-transferable.

For information on criteria for eligibility, visit www.buspass.gov.bc.ca or call 1-866-866-0800.

Orientation

If you would like to learn how to board a bus with your wheelchair, walker or scooter, we can help. Call your local transit office to arrange a session.

Attendants

Customers using wheelchairs or scooters, registered handyDART customers or CNIB pass holders may travel with an attendant. Please let your transit operator know if the person travelling with you is your attendant. Attendants travel free and must board and exit at the same stop as the customer requiring assistance and help to load and secure mobility aids on the bus. Your driver will ensure that the securements are properly fastened.



Request-a-Stop

Customers who feel that their personal safety is at risk can ask their driver to stop between regular bus stops. Ask your transit driver at least one bus stop ahead of where you wish to get off. You will be let off at a safe location closest to your request. Please contact your local transit office for details and any time restrictions.

Riding the Bus

Lost & Found 250-378-4080

If you find something on the bus, give it to the transit operator. Articles are kept for up to 90 days.

Courtesy Seating

BC Transit serves everyone on a first-to-board basis. Courtesy seating is the front accessible area of the bus and is especially vital to:

- customers who use scooters, wheelchairs, pediatric strollers or other mobility aids
- customers with a disability or mobility issue
- customers with baby strollers

Your mobility aid must not exceed 2 feet by 4 feet (61 cm by 122 cm). If your mobility aid is larger, please contact your local transit office for an assessment.

Mobility aids include scooters, wheelchairs, baby strollers and pediatric strollers.

Be Safe and Be Seen

Sometimes it is difficult for transit drivers to see you at bus stops, especially along unlit roads. Wear light coloured clothing, wear a reflective strip, use a flashlight or use the light from your mobile phone to signal the driver that you are at the stop.

Bike Racks

Most bikes can be accommodated on BC Transit buses when their wheels fit properly in the rack. If you are considering travelling by bike and transit, instructions are posted on the bike racks.

Before your bus arrives, make sure that saddlebags, antennas, helmets, child carriers or any other item that could interfere with the driver's vision are removed from the bike. Electric bikes are only allowed on the bike rack when they weigh less than 25kg (55 lbs.), and the battery (lithium only) is removed from the bike and brought on board the bus with the customer.

Bike racks on community buses can only be used during daylight hours. Bikes block the headlights at night. Visit *Rider Info* at bctransit.com for an instructional video.

Fares

subject to change

Cash

Children 12 and under Single Ride	Free \$ 2.00
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Tickets (10)

All Passengers	18.00
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Monthly Pass

Adult	42.00
Student*, Senior*, College Student*	32.00

* Reduced fare with valid I.D. for persons 65 or over, students to Grade 12 and full-time college students.

Ticket & Pass Vendors

- Merritt City Hall
- Nicola Valley Institute of Technology
- 7-Eleven – 2002 Nicola Ave.

Holiday Service

There is no transit service on Christmas Day. All other holidays operate with regular service.

Subject to change. Check online at bctransit.com for special event service.

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1 North End

Monday to Friday									
A	B	G	C	C	G	B	H	A	
Downtown (Mamette at Voght)	Nicola Valley Institute of Technology	No Frills (River Ranch Rd.)	Walmart	Walmart	No Frills (River Ranch Rd.)	Nicola Valley Institute of Technology	Nicola Valley Health Centre	Downtown (Mamette at Voght)	
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Afternoon times are **bolded** in the schedules.

23 Colletville-Diamond Vale

Monday to Friday				
A	D	E	A	
Downtown (Mamette at Voght)	Fir at Hill	Clapperton at Menzies (Bob's)	Downtown (Mamette at Voght)	
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8:15	8:24	8:31	8:38	
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4 Lower Nicola

Monday to Friday		
A	F	A
Downtown (Mamette at Voght)	Rocky Pines (Saskatoon at Yap Skrim)	Downtown (Mamette at Voght)
7:12	7:26	7:45
8:12	8:26	8:45
11:12	11:26	11:45
2:12	2:26	2:45
5:12	5:26	5:45
Saturday		
7:12	7:26	7:45
11:12	11:26	11:45
5:12	5:26	5:45

R Trip continues as on-request service.

On-Request Service
 Bus service includes a curb-to-curb, shared transit service on-request to and from destinations in the Merritt area.
 On-request service operates five days a week, Monday through Friday, with trips operating at 8:45 a.m., 9:45 a.m., **12:45 p.m.** and **2:45 p.m.**
 To book a ride, call 250-378-4080, 24 hours before your desired trip.

