

## **FAQ – Prince Rupert/Port Edward Fare Increase**

### **Q: Why is the fare increase being implemented?**

A: Local governments are responsible for setting fares for their local transit systems as they retain all funds collected to help offset their contribution to operating the system. BC Transit provides support to local government partners by undertaking fare reviews, identifying best practices in setting transit fares, and discussing the implications of fare decisions.

### **Q: When will the fare change take effect?**

A: May 1, 2019.

### **Q: When was the last fare change in Port Edward and Prince Rupert?**

A: May 2015.

### **Q: What will the new fares be?**

A: The new cash fare will be \$3 for adults and \$2.50 for students and seniors travelling on route 60 Port Edward. For travel to the North Pacific Cannery Historic Site, the cash fare will be \$4 for all passengers. Book of 10 tickets will be \$ 27 for adults and \$22.50 for students and seniors.

### **Q: What are Zone 1 and Zone 2 for route 60 Port Edward?**

A: Zone 1 applies to travel on route 60 Port Edward to Port Edward, north of Hillcrest Avenue on Skeena Drive.

Zone 2 applies to travel on route 60 Port Edward to North Pacific Cannery Historic Site and the cannery, south of Hillcrest Avenue on Skeena Drive.

### **Q: Will fare prices in Prince Rupert be different than in Port Edward?**

A: Yes, cash fares will differ between the two systems. The Prince Rupert cash fares will remain at \$2 for adults and \$1.75 for students and seniors. Route 60 Port Edward fares will be \$3 for Zone 1 and \$4 for Zone 2.

### **Q: Can I still use my old tickets with the new fares in place?**

A: Yes, you can still use old tickets by paying the difference between the face value of the ticket and the respective cash fare. Full sheets of tickets can be exchanged at the District Office by paying the \$9 difference between the price of old sheets and new ones.

### **Q: Will this mean I will need to pay to use both systems?**

A: Anytime a passenger boards route 60 Port Edward, they will need to pay the \$3 Port Edward fare.

### **Q: Will the monthly pass prices change on route 60 Port Edward?**

A: Yes, the adult monthly pass will now be \$72 and the student/senior monthly pass will now be \$60.

### **Q: Are Port Edward monthly passes valid in Prince Rupert?**

A: Port Edward pass holders will be able to transfer into the Prince Rupert system using their monthly pass.

**Q: Are Prince Rupert monthly passes valid in Port Edward?**

A: Prince Rupert pass holders will need to pay the \$3 Port Edward fare for travel on route 60 Port Edward.

**Q: Are Prince Rupert DayPASSes valid on route 60 Port Edward?**

A: The DayPASS will only be valid on Prince Rupert local routes and will not be valid on route 60 Port Edward.

**Q: How will transfers work on route 60 Port Edward?**

A: A transfer is valid on the date of issue and until the time indicated by the cutoff. On route 60 Port Edward, transfers will only be distributed upon request when traveling northbound towards Prince Rupert, for those wishing to transfer onto a Prince Rupert route. No transfers will be distributed on route 60 Port Edward when traveling southbound towards Port Edward and the North Pacific Cannery Historic Site.

**Q: Are handyDART fares changing?**

A: There will be no changes to handyDART fares.