





STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Notice of Public Hearings for Proposed Fare Changes for Rail Services in Connecticut

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) will conduct two (2) in-person and two (2) virtual public hearings for the proposed Connecticut rail fare changes. The fare changes include the following:

- Proposed 5% fare increase on Metro-North services in CT and CTrail Hartford Line and Shore Line East services, effective September 1, 2025.
- Proposed 5% fare increase on Metro-North services in CT and CTrail Hartford Line and Shore Line East services, effective July 1, 2026.
- Proposed changes to Metro-North fare products and policies.

At these public hearings, CTDOT will provide information and accept public comments on the proposed fare changes as well as the equity analysis report. The equity analysis evaluates the proposed changes to determine if they will cause a disparate impact to minority persons or a disproportionate burden to people with low incomes, as defined by the CTDOT Title VI Program. The proposed fare changes may be viewed on the Department's website at www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges. The public comment period will run from June 6 to July 6, 2025.

The public hearings will be conducted in-person in Stamford and New Haven and virtually via Zoom.

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
In-Person Hearing:	Stamford Ferguson Public Library	4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Monday, June 23, 2025	1 Public Library Plaza, Stamford, CT	(open house)
	06904	5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (public hearing)
In-Person Hearing:	Kennedy Mitchell Hall of Records	4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 24, 2025		(open house)

	200 Orange Street, New Haven, CT 06510	5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (public hearing)
Virtual Hearing:	Zoom	7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Monday, June 30,2025		
	To register for the public hearing or for more information, visit:	
	ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges	
Virtual Hearing:	Zoom	12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 1, 2025		
	To register for the public hearing or for	
	more information, visit:	
	ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges	

For more information on how to attend the public hearings, information on proposed changes, and to access the equity analysis visit: www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges. During open house hours on June 23rd and June 24th, CTDOT staff will be available for informal questions and answers.

To request a copy of the proposed rail service and fare equity analysis by mail, please email us at dot.proposedtransitchanges@ct.gov or by leaving a voicemail at (860)-594-3612. Please allow one week for processing and delivery.

How to participate in the in-person public hearings:

- Additional location information will be posted on <u>www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges</u>.
- The meeting facilities are ADA-accessible and are accessible by transit.
- Registration is encouraged; however, it is only required for those would wish to provide a comment during the hearing. To register, please email dot.proposedtransitchanges@ct.gov or call (860)-594-3612 and leave a voicemail with your full name, contact information, and the public hearing you'd like to speak at. Registration will be accepted up to the day of the hearing and will remain open for the duration of the hearing.
- Language assistance may be requested by contacting the CTDOT Language
 Assistance Call Line at (860) 594-2109. Requests should be made at least 5 business
 days prior to the meeting. Language assistance is provided at no cost, and efforts
 will be made to respond to timely requests for assistance.

<u>Attending the Zoom virtual public hearings</u>

- Registration is encouraged; however, it is only required for those would wish to provide a comment during the hearing. To register, please visit www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges or call (860)-594-3612 and leave a voicemail with your full name, contact information, and the virtual public hearing you'd like to speak at. Registration will be accepted up to the day of the hearing and will remain open for the duration of the hearing.
- Individuals can listen to the hearing by calling Toll Free 833-548-0282 and entering the Webinar ID when prompted at the time of the hearing.

• Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS). Alternatively, Zoom provides closed captioning.

The virtual public hearings will be recorded and published online for later viewing. Recordings of the hearings and formal presentation will be posted to YouTube with closed captioning, including non-English translation options. Links will be provided at www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges.

How to submit public comments:

- You may make a comment about the proposed changes at any time from June 6th to July 6th, 2025, by email, phone, or US Mail, using the information below.
- Email: dot.proposedtransitchanges@ct.gov
- Voicemail: (860) 594-3612
- US Mail: COMMENT ON PROPOSED SERVICE CHANGES, Bureau of Public Transportation, P.O. Box 317546, Newington, CT 06131-7546.

For general questions please email us <u>dot.proposedtransitchanges@ct.gov</u> or call (860)-594-3612.

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