



## CHAPTER 4

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### V/Line

A V/Line Group Travel voucher allows a group of 12 or more people to travel together at a reduced rate. All members of the group must travel together at all times, boarding and alighting at the same locations. Group travel discounts are available for Single, Day Return, Off-Peak Single, and Off-Peak Day Return tickets. The fare charged for the group is the concession fare of the selected ticket type multiplied by the number of passengers. The conditions applicable to the voucher are the same as those for the selected ticket type.

Group travel must be arranged at least seven days in advance by telephoning **9619 2338**. Groups may not be able to be accommodated on some services at times of peak demand.

### Metropolitan

#### Prepaid Travel Authority

Allows groups of 12 or more people (maximum of 35 on trams and 25 on buses) to travel together at a reduced rate. All members of the group must travel together at all times, boarding and alighting at the same locations. Available from Premium stations and Metshop.

No refund is permitted should the trip be cancelled or the number of train travellers are less than paid for.

The Prepaid Travel Authority is available for 2 hour, Daily, City Saver and Off-Peak Daily tickets.

The fare charged for the group is the concession fare for the selected ticket multiplied by the number of passengers travelling.

### Special Event and Conference ticketing

In some circumstances, special event and conference organisers can include public transport in the cost of event tickets by prior arrangement with the Director of Public Transport, subject to meeting the following conditions:

- All event tickets or delegate passes must be valid for a specific date or dates, which are to be clearly printed on the ticket (no opened ended tickets or passes permitted)
- Tickets must be issued by an approved ticket issuer on approved ticket stock (eg. 'print your own' ticket systems are not permitted)
- Delegate passes must be issued by conference organisers
- The event must cater for more than 500 people per day
- The event must be at an approved venue close to the CBD, including Melbourne and Olympic Parks, Melbourne Exhibition Centre, Victorian Arts Centre (including the Sidney Myer Music Bowl), Telstra Dome, the Melbourne Cricket Ground and theatres in the CBD
- Events and conferences must not start on weekdays before 9.30am or between 4pm and 6pm to avoid peak hour congestion
- Events must finish one hour before the end of train/tram services to ensure customers are not stranded
- If the event or conference is cancelled or the date changed, free travel is provided on the original date printed on the tickets and the fee remains payable

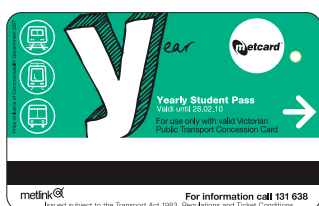
The cost to the event organiser is based on the number of tickets issued for the event (including complimentary tickets). The fee of \$2.60 per ticket, is common to all events, assumes events will be attended by a mixture of adult and concession ticket holders, and assumes that not all people will use public transport.

The fee includes unlimited travel within Zones 1+2 on the day of the event (until 3.00 am the next day). This fee only covers free travel, and does not include the cost of providing additional services. For more information, please contact the Department of Transport on 9655 3333 or email: [event.notification@transport.vic.gov.au](mailto:event.notification@transport.vic.gov.au)

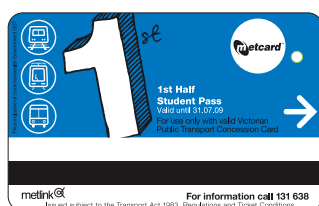
## Victorian Student Passes

Student passes are available to full-time Primary or Secondary students who possess a valid Victorian Public Transport Concession Card. Student passes are valid on weekdays and weekends (including school holidays and public holidays).

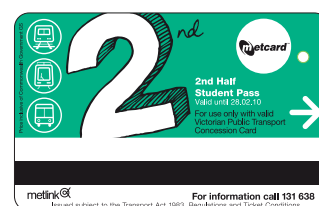
YEARLY VICTORIAN STUDENT PASS



1ST HALF YEAR VICTORIAN STUDENT PASS



2ND HALF YEAR VICTORIAN STUDENT PASS



Prices and travel entitlements vary depending on the student's place of residence, as shown in the table below:

	HALF-YEARLY	YEARLY	TRAVEL ENTITLEMENTS	AVAILABLE FROM
<b>Victorian Student Pass (All Zones)</b>	\$213.50	\$410.00	Allows unlimited travel on metropolitan trains, trams and buses, on all regional town bus services and all V/Line train and coach services operating wholly within Victoria.	Premium stations, staffed V/Line stations and The Metshop. The Victorian Student Pass is only valid when presented together with a Victorian Public Transport Primary/Secondary Student Concession Card which has been endorsed with a matching ticket number.
<b>Ballarat (Future Zone 8)</b>	\$173.00	\$330.60	Unlimited travel on all bus services in the Ballarat area and on V/Line trains between Ballarat and the proposed second station.	Ballarat Railway Station
<b>Bendigo (Future Zone 13)</b>	\$152.30	\$274.00	Unlimited travel on all bus services in the Bendigo area and on V/Line trains between Bendigo, Eaglehawk and Kangaroo Flat.	Bendigo Railway Station
<b>Geelong (Future Zone 4)</b>	\$173.00	\$330.60	Unlimited travel on all bus services in the Geelong area and on V/Line trains between Marshall, South Geelong, Geelong, North Geelong, North Shore, Corio and Lara stations.	Geelong Railway Station
<b>Southwest Transit (Warrnambool)</b>	\$115.90	\$217.70	Unlimited travel on all bus services in Warrnambool.	Warrnambool Bus Lines