

Fact Sheet

Travel Concessions & Permits for People with a Disability

RED Ticket

Show your Pension Concession Card (NSW, Vic or ACT), Veterans's Card, NSW Seniors Card or War Widows Card to the bus driver and ask for a RED ticket. The ticket costs \$2.50 and you can travel all day on most buses in regional NSW (not including school services, Countrylink or most coach services). You can get on and off the bus as often as you like. You can also travel on buses owned by different companies using the same ticket. RED tickets can also be used on the Premier's Lismore to Tweed Heads journey.

Taxi Transport Subsidy Scheme (TTSS)

If you have a severe and permanent disability you may be eligible for TTSS. TTSS vouchers give a 50% discount on the metered taxi fare. You can get a maximum of \$30 discount for each trip.

For an application phone 1800 623 724 or download a copy from www.transport.nsw.gov.au/ttss

Companion Card



If you have a significant, lifelong disability and require attendant care for the rest of your life, you may be eligible for a companion card. An attendant travelling with you will receive free travel on public transport in NSW. This card also provides free entry for the attendant to many venues throughout the state.

For more information and an application form phone 1800 893 044 or visit www.nswcompanioncard.org.au

Mobility Assistance

If you are over 16 and unable to use public transport without substantial assistance you may be eligible for a Centrelink Mobility Assistance Payment. You must need to travel to and from your home whilst looking for work, doing paid or voluntary work or training, for at least 32 hours every 4 weeks.

For an application call 13 27 17 or visit www.centrelink.gov.au and search 'Mobility Allowance'.

Ex-members of the Defence Forces with Service-related Disabilities



The Department of Veterans Affairs has a range of transport schemes for Veterans with disabilities living permanently in NSW.

For more information and an application contact a regional RSL Sub Branch office or visit www.transport.nsw.gov.au/concessions.

Vision Impaired Persons (VIP) Pass



If you are blind or severely vision impaired and permanently living in NSW or ACT, you can apply for a Vision Impaired Pass. This pass allows free travel on all regular route bus services (this does not include school, coach, tourist or charter services). It also allows one free travel entitlement a year on CountyLink services and ½ fare travel on long distance rail.

For more information and an application call RailCorp on 9379 4441 or visit www.transport.nsw.gov.au/concessions.

Assistance Animal Permit



If you have a disability and rely on the assistance of an animal that has been trained to alleviate the effects of your disability, you can apply for an Assistance Animal Permit. The animal must meet training standards so that it assists you to use public transport effectively, and to ensure it does not pose any risks or disruptions to other passengers or staff.

Find out more or get an application from a NSW branch of Vision Australia or Guide Dogs Australia or www.transport.nsw.gov.au/concessions.

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