

Tips for using local public transport: Information is what matters

- Go to the Internet to get the most important information about local public transport in the city in question:
 - The websites of the respective linked transport associations usually inform visitors about the tickets on offer and where and when to purchase them. Sometimes tickets can be purchased directly via the website or using a mobile phone.
 - It is usually possible to enter the departure/arrival stops or an address via the online timetable information to find out departure times, journey options and walking distances between stops.
 - It may also be possible to find out which ticket you need for the journey and how much it costs.
- If you are uncertain about which ticket is the right one, it may be better to select a day ticket rather than run the risk of unwittingly becoming a fare dodger.
- When you buy a day ticket, check whether the ticket is valid for 24 hours beginning at the time it was purchased/stamped or only until the service ends on the day of purchase.
- If travelling with a group you should check whether certain tickets allow a journey with several people.
- Use Park&Ride and Bike&Ride facilities
- Even if you normally travel to work by car, check local public transport for alternative options. It may be that changing to local public transport is not as inconvenient, time-consuming and expensive as you thought.
- When travelling, ask the hotel or the tourist information centre for information material and tickets: There are often special tourist tickets available for one or more days combined with low-rate admission tickets for museums and other attractions. Before your first journey, check how you can pay for the ticket and, if necessary, have the amount ready in coins in the national currency.