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TITLE: York Region Transit Ride Free	**NO.:** **Approval Date:** **Last Updated:**

POLICY STATEMENT:

York Region Transit (YRT) recognizes the value and importance of emergency services personnel. In this regard, YRT consents to Emergency Service personnel riding free of charge on all YRT operated services (including TTC contracted routes north of Steeles Ave. and Brampton Transit routes within York Region).

Additionally, members of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) and any other organization operating within the Region dealing with persons with visual impairments will travel free of charge on conventional transit services with appropriate identification.

APPLICATION:

This policy applies to all York Region Transit conventional routes, including TTC routes north of Steeles Avenue and Brampton Transit routes operating within York Region.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to formalize and identify who is eligible to ride free on YRT conventional services.

DESCRIPTION:

The following table describes personnel that are entitled to ride York Region Transit conventional services at no cost:

Rider	Ride Free Criteria
Police Officer	• In uniform only, when traveling to/from work or while on duty. Civilian status does not apply to this policy.
Fire Fighter	• In uniform only when traveling to/from work or while on duty.
Paramedic	• In uniform only when traveling to/from work or while on duty.
Visual Impairment	• Any client of the CNIB or any other approved agency dealing with visual impairments.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

York Region Transit will notify its Contractors regarding the Ride Free policy.

REFERENCE:

Brampton Transit
Burlington Transit
Ajax Pickering Transit
Hamilton Transit
GO Transit
Grand River Transit
London Transit
Mississauga Transit
OC Transpo
Oakville Transit
Toronto Transit Commission

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