






Bicycle Racks at CTA Rail Stations

Bicycle parking racks are installed outside most CTA rail stations to encourage “bike & ride” trips. For improved security and weather protection, racks have been installed indoors or in sheltered locations at the following 89 stations:

- **Blue Line**
N O’Hare &
N Rosemont &
N Cumberland &
N Harlem & (O’Hare branch)N
N Jefferson Park &
N MontroseN
N Irving Park
N Addison N
N BelmontN
N Logan Square &
N California N
N Western & (O’Hare Branch) N
N DamenN
N DivisionN
N Chicago
N GrandN
N Monroe (Madison entrance)N
N Jackson &
N LaSalleN
N UIC-Halsted & N
Western (Forest Park branch)N
N Forest Park & N
- **Red Line**
N Howard &
N JarvisN
N MorseN
N Loyola &
N Granville &
N Thorndal
N Bryn MawrN
N BerwynN
N LawrenceN
N WilsonN
N Addison &
N BelmontN
North/Clybourn N
N Clark/DivisionN
N Lake &
N MonroeN
N Jackson &
N HarrisonN
N Roosevelt &
N Cermak-ChinatownN
N Sox-35th &
N 79th &
N 95th/Dan Ryan &
- **Yellow Line**
N Howard & N
Skokie &
- **Purple Line**
Howard &
Davis &
- **Brown Line**
N Kimball &
N Western &
Damen &
N Montrose &
N Southport &
N Diversey &
Armitage &
N Sedgwick &
- **Orange Line**
N Midway &
N Pulaski &
N Kedzie &
N Western &
N 35th/Archer &
N Ashland &
N Halsted &
- **Green Line**
Central & N
Laramie & N
Cicero &
N Pulaski &
N Kedzie &
N California &
N Clinton &
N 35th – Bronzeville-IIT &
N Indiana &
N 43rd &
N 47th &
N 51st &
N Garfield &
N King Dr. &
N Halsted &
N Ashland/63rd &
- **Pink Line**
N Clinton &
N Polk &
N 18th &
N Damen & N
N California & N
N Kedzie & N
N Central Park &
N Pulaski & N
N 54th/Cermak &
- **Loop Stations**
Clark/Lake & N
Library-State/Van Buren &
Washington/Wells &

Fare Information

FULL	On Rail	On Bus	Transfers
	\$2.25	\$2.00	25¢
	\$2.25	\$2.00	25¢
	\$2.25 ¹	\$2.25	None Issued
REDUCED ²			
	85¢	85¢	15¢
	85¢ ¹	\$1.00	None Issued

1 Burnstiles do not accept cash. Purchase Transit Card from the N fare vending machine at the rail station. N

2 Reduced Fares: Children ages 7-11, elementary and high school N students ages 12-20 with CTA Student Riding Permits, and N customers with disabilities with RTA Reduced Fare Permits. N

- N Seniors 65+ ride free with RTA Senior Ride Free Permits. N
- N Active military personnel in full uniform and qualifying disabled N military veterans with a CTA Military Service Pass ride free on CTA.N
- N Customers who are enrolled in the RTA’s People with N Disabilities Ride Free Program with a valid RTA issued Circuit N Permit ride free on the CTA.N
- N Children under age 7 ride free with a fare-paying customer.N

CTA Passes

Passes are good for consecutive days from time of first use. N Buy at Currency Exchanges, select Jewel and Dominick’s N food stores, and at transitchicago.com. Cannot be shared N or recharged.N

- N • \$5.75 (1-Day)* N
- N • \$23 (7-Day CTA)* N
- N • \$86 (30-Day)N
- \$14 (3-Day)* N
- \$28 (7-Day CTA/Pace) ** N

* NCTA’s 1-Day, 3-Day, 7-Day and U-Pass passes are accepted N on the CTA only.N

** 7-Day CTA/Pace Pass valid on CTA and Pace non-premium/ N subscription routes. N

Lost and Found

Note: The CTA is not responsible for bicycles lost, stolen, or damaged on CTA buses, trains, or property.

If you forget your bicycle and leave it on the bus or train:N

- N Call the CTA at 1-888-YOUR-CTA.N
- N Tell the agent the bus or train route on which you left N the bicycle.N
- N Ask for the lost-and-found phone number and address N of the bus garage or terminal for that route.N
- N Call the garage or terminal and confirm that the CTA N has your bicycle.N
- N Go to the garage or terminal and pick up your bicycle.N

Bicycles left for more than two weeks on indoor bicycle racks N will be removed by the CTA. If you have lost your bicycle on N CTA property, call 1-888-YOUR-CTA.N

Helpful Phone Numbers

For bus and rail line schedule information, call 836-7000 from N any local area code or visit transitchicago.com.N

CTA Customer Service: N
1-888-YOUR-CTA (1-888-968-7282) N
TTY: 1-888-CTA-TTY1(1-888-282-8891) N
ctahelp@transitchicago.comN

For maps, other CTA information, or to report a missing or N damaged bike rack on a CTA bus.N

City of Chicago Bike Information Hotline:
312-742-BIKE (2453) N
chicagobikes.orgN

Free publications are available, including a map showing the N best streets for cycling in Chicago. N

Active Transportation Alliance
312-42-PEDAL (73325) N
activetrans.orgN

Chicago Department of Transportation:
312-744-3600 N
TTY: 312-744-7215N
chicagobikes.orgN

Information about bike racks, abandoned bikes, and bike N lanes and trails. N

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Bike & Ride

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Your bicycle rides free C
on the train and bus!C



Like to Bike?

To make cycling even more convenient, the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) welcomes bicycles on trains and buses N throughout the year. N

Getting around is easy! Simply follow the steps in this brochure N and you'll be on your way to cycling fun and great exercise N while helping the environment.N

Boarding Trains

Bicycles are permitted on trains every weekday except from N 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. N

On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays (excluding July 3), N bicycles are allowed on trains all day. If you board the train with N your bicycle before the hours listed above and your trip extends N into those hours, the CTA allows you to finish your trip. N

If trains are crowded, the use of trains by cyclists may be N restricted by the rail operator as appropriate.N

1. N When entering a rail station, notify the Customer N Assistant or security guard that you are there with your N bicycle. When available, use the accessible turnstile N with the swing gate to pay your fare and enter with N your bicycle. If a swing gate is not available, CTA staff N will open an access gate to allow you to enter.N
2. N Do not attempt to carry your bicycle through N the tall steel barrier gates. It will get caught! N **Note:** For this reason, customers with bicycles may not exit at the King Drive & (Green Line) station; please ride to the Cottage Grove & (Green Line) station.
3. N To reach the platform level, use elevators N whenever they are available. Otherwise, carry your N bicycle on ramps and stairways, allowing other N customers to clear before you go up or down the N stairs. Bicycles are not permitted on escalators. N
4. N When a train is approaching or leaving, stand clear N of the platform edge. If the train is too crowded, N please wait for the next one.N
5. N Before boarding, check to see if other cyclists N are present on the rail car. Only two (2) bicycles N are allowed per car. Note: Please do not board cars N with folding doors.N
6. N Once on board, stand near either end of the rail N car. Stand by your bicycle and hold on to it at all N times. Never block the aisle or doors. Do not use N your bicycle kickstand inside stations or rail cars.N

Boarding Buses

There are two types of bicycle racks on CTA buses — Byk N Rak and Sportworks models. They differ by the color of N their support arms; Byk Rak (red, see Photos A and B) and N Sportworks (yellow or black, see Photo C). N

1. N Remove large baggage, such as panniers, from your N bicycle before loading your bicycle on the rack. All N baggage must accompany you on the bus.N
2. N **For All Racks:** Alert the bus operator that you N will be loading your bicycle. Lower the rack by N squeezing the center handle. If another bicycle is N in position, the rack will already be lowered. If the N bicycle rack is full, please wait for the next bus. N
Byk Rak only: While supporting the bicycle N with one hand, swing the red bicycle support N arm outward and down to clear the wheel well N (see Photo A). N
3. N Lift your bicycle so it sits in the empty wheel N well. If yours is the first to be loaded, load it in N the position nearest the bus, with the front wheel N facing the curb. If yours is the second to be N loaded, load with the rear wheel facing the curb in N the front position.N
Byk Rak only: Swing the bicycle support arm N over the front tire to hold the bicycle in place N (see Photo B).N
Sportworks only: Pull the spring-loaded support N arm out and upwards. Fasten it over the front tire N at the highest point of the wheel to hold the N bicycle in place. Locks may not be used to secure N bicycles to racks. If you are concerned about the N safety of your bicycle, lock your bicycle's front N wheel to the bicycle frame before the bus arrives N (see Photo C).N
4. N Board the bus. Pay your fare. It is recommended that N you sit or stand near the front of the bus and watch N your bicycle while you ride the bus. N
5. N When you come to your stop, exit the bus at the N front. Tell the operator that you'll be removing your N bicycle. Unload your bicycle.N
Byk Rak only: Return the red bicycle support arm N to the wheel well.N
6. N If no other bicycles remain, stow the rack against N the bus in the upright position (see Photo D).N



Photo A — Byk Rak



Photo B — Byk Rak



Photo C — Sportworks



Photo D

Things You Should Know

- B Anyone 14 years or older may bring a bicycle on N a train or rack-equipped bus. Customers 12 N and 13 years old must be accompanied by an adult. N Children under 12 are not permitted to bring bicycles N on CTA trains or buses.N
- B Bicycles are only permitted on CTA rail cars with sliding N doors. **Do not** board cars with folding doors. N
- B Let other customers board the train first. This reduces N the chance of someone tripping over your bicycle. N Priority seating is intended for seniors and customers N with disabilities.N
- B If a rail station or a train is evacuated, leave your N bicycle behind to ensure a swift and safe exit for you N and all other customers. Store your bicycle on top of N or in between seats and out of the aisles.N
- B To ensure proper safety of all customers, Chicago N Police and CTA personnel may restrict bicycles from N being brought on trains. This may happen if your N bicycle is obstructing customer movement or there are N already two bicycles in one car. Please follow N their instructions.N
- B There is bicycle parking at many CTA rail stations.N If trains are crowded or you don't want to bring your N bicycle on the system, utilize the approved parking area N and ride the train.N
- B Cyclists assume all responsibility for any damage C and/or injury that occurs as a result of their bicycle C being on CTA property. This includes injury to the C cyclist or other customers. A sudden stop by the C transit vehicle does not remove responsibility from C the bicycle owner for damages or injuries to other C customers or themselves.C
- B Folding bicycles are allowed on CTA vehicles C at all times.C
- B Motor-powered bicycles of any kind are not C permitted on the CTA.C
- B For questions or comments, please contact us C at bikeandride@transitchicago.com.C