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Statewide Transportation Access Pass Application

Effective July 1, 2018

Dear Applicant,

Please find attached an application for a Statewide Transportation Access Pass. If approved, this pass entitles you to reduced fares offered by the Commonwealth's Regional Transit Authorities while riding on their fixed bus routes.

Upon completion of your application, please mail it to our office at 12 Olive St. Greenfield, MA 01301. **We will not accept faxed copies.**

Dependent upon the nature of your disability you will be issued either a one-year or a three-year pass.

All applications take approximately 7 days to process and you will receive written notification of the determination in the mail. If approved, you are instructed to call our office to schedule an appointment to be issued your ID and asked bring two forms of identification along with \$3.00 cash or money order for processing.

Do not hesitate to contact our office at (413) 774-2262 should you have any questions or need assistance in completing this application.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts/Reduced Fare Program
APPLICATION FOR FRTA TRANSPORTATION ACCESS PASS

PLEASE PRINT. COMPLETE SECTION A BELOW:

<u>PART A: APPLICANT INFORMATION</u>	
NAME: _____	DATE: _____
STREET ADDRESS: _____	
CITY: _____	STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
TELEPHONE: () _____	RENEWAL: ___YES___NO
DATE OF BIRTH: _____	

COMPLETE PART B ON THE NEXT PAGE IF YOU ARE:

- ❖ Over Sixty Years of Age with Applicable Documentation
- ❖ A Current ADA PARATRANSIT Customer, or
- ❖ A Veteran with a Disability Rating of 70% or greater
- ❖ A Valid Medicare Card Holder (Red, White, Blue Card Not MASSHEALTH)
- ❖ Clients of the following agencies: Present original letter on agency letterhead, from authorized agency representative (or vendor) verifying status as a current client.
 - DMH/Department of Mental Health (including DMH vendors)
 - DDS/Department of Developmental Services
 - MRC/Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission

If you are one of the above, it is not necessary to have Part C completed. Simply complete parts A and B, and submit this application to FRTA for processing (Go to #4 below.)

If you are **not** in one of the categories mentioned in #2 above, you must bring this application to a licensed/certified health care professional to complete part C for the health care certification.

Examples of licensed/certified health care professionals include those who are familiar with your disability and are licensed or certified in their field, such as Medical Doctor, Licensed Social Worker, Psychologist, Audiologist, Registered Nurse, Psychiatrist.

Once this application is completed, return it to the FRTA. The FRTA will review the information to determine your eligibility. You will receive notification within 7 days. We will not accept faxed copies.

Name of Applicant: _____

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PART B: TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

CHECK ONLY **ONE** OF THE FOLLOWING:

- I AM A MEDICARE CARDHOLDER. I HAVE ATTACHED A PHOTOCOPY OF MY CARD. (Please note: MassHealth is not the same as Medicare. Do not attach a copy of MassHealth card).
- I HAVE AN ADA ELIGIBILITY CARD. I HAVE ATTACHED A PHOTOCOPY OF MY CARD.
- I AM OVER THE AGE OF 60. I HAVE ATTACHED A PHOTOCOPY OF MY LICENSE OR OTHER PROOF OF AGE.
- I AM A VETERAN WITH A DISABILITY RATING OF 70% OR GREATER. I HAVE ATTACHED AN ORIGINAL LETTER FROM THE VA, SIGNED BY A VETERAN'S SERVICES OFFICER, WHICH SPECIFIES MY DISABILITY RATING.
- I AM A CLIENT OF DMH, DDS OR MRC. I HAVE ATTACHED AN ORIGINAL LETTER ON AGENCY LETTERHEAD FROM AN AUTHORIZED AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE VERIFYING MY STATUS AS A CURRENT CLIENT.

****If you checked one of the above boxes, then you do not need to have part C completed****

- I DO NOT FALL INTO ANY OF THE ABOVE FIVE CATEGORIES; THEREFORE, I HAVE PROVIDED THE FRTA WITH INFORMATION FROM MY LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL (PART C).

I AGREE TO RELEASE THIS INFORMATION TO THE FRTA FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR A TRANSPORTATION ACCESS PASS. THE FRTA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CONTACT THE LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____

FOR FRTA USE ONLY:

Name of Applicant: _____

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PART C: TO BE COMPLETED BY A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL (Please Print):

Health Care Professional's Name: _____

License Number/State: _____

Business Address: _____

City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone #: _____

Please define the applicant's disability:

Refer to the attached criteria to answer the questions below and check mark the appropriate responses:

1. Is the applicant disabled according to at least one of the Criteria listed in the attached?

Yes ___ No ___

If yes, fill in the criteria number 1 – 8 _____

2. Is the disability a permanent condition? Yes ___ No ___

If no, estimated length of disability (in months) _____

3. Is the applicant, despite his/her disability, able to use the FRTA fixed route bus service?

Yes ___ No ___

4. Which of the following mobility aids or equipment do you use to help you get where you need to go? (please check all that apply).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Manual Wheelchair | <input type="checkbox"/> Power Wheelchair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Power Scooter | <input type="checkbox"/> Walker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cane | <input type="checkbox"/> Crutches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prosthetic Device/Brace | <input type="checkbox"/> Respirator/Oxygen Tanks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guide Cane | <input type="checkbox"/> Service Animal (Guide dog, etc..) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I do not use a mobility aid | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____ | |

5. In addition to the above, does the applicant require the aid of an attendant when going from the house to the curb/vehicle? Yes ___ No ___

I hereby claim that the above information is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.

Licensed Healthcare Professional Signature: _____

Date: _____

CRITERIA FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS TO QUALIFY FOR THE STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION ACCESS PASS

1. Any individual who cannot walk more than 200 feet to a bus route or final destination without the use of a mechanical aid (Crutches, walker etc.).
2. Any individual who uses a wheelchair.
3. Any individual who has less than 20/20 vision with best correction or a field restriction of 10 degrees or less. (Any legally blind applicant must have a certificate of blindness from the Mass Commission for the Blind (800) 392-6450).
4. Hearing Impairments: Deafness or hearing loss of 90db or greater in the 500, 1,000 and 2,000 HZ ranges.
5. Any individual who cannot walk more than 200 feet to a bus route or final destination because of a neurological, muscular-skeletal, pulmonary or cardiovascular disorder.
6. Any individual who has a developmental disability or an emotional disorder. Eligibility for emotional disorders is as follows:
 - 6a. Emotionally disturbed person who is living in a community residence or boarding home and participating in a sheltered workshop or day hospitalization program.
 - 6b. Living at home and participating in a sheltered workshop or day hospitalization program.
7. Any individual who is an amputee.
8. Any individual who requires kidney dialysis treatment.