

General Scale of Charges

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New Zealand Government Railways

The following scales of charges, terms, and conditions may be cited as the General Scale of Charges, and shall be read together with the local rates or scales of charges, conditions, and regulations fixed and imposed by the Minister of Railways on the 14th day of February, 1952, which came into force on the 1st day of March, 1952, and therein cited and hereinafter referred to as the Local Rates Scale of Charges, or any special charges or special scales of charges, terms, and conditions duly fixed or imposed in substitution therefor, amendment thereof, or addition thereto.

PASSENGERS

1. General

1. Tickets which entitle the holders to travel on the railways will be issued at the fares specified hereinafter. All tickets issued shall be subject to the by-laws and regulations of the Department and to the conditions hereinafter set forth, and must be surrendered on date of expiry, and at other times when demanded by any Railway officer. Tickets not surrendered on date of expiry shall be given up at any time thereafter on demand being made by any Railway officer.

2. **Transfer of Tickets.**—Unless otherwise specified, tickets are not transferable. If they are used by any other than the person to whom issued they will (without prejudice to any penalty to which the transferor or transferee or any other person may be liable) be forfeited.

3. **Children's Fares.**—Unless otherwise provided, children under 4 years of age in the charge of a responsible person travel free; children 4 years of age and under 15 years of age, at half rates.

4. **Booking Fee.**—(a) When tickets are issued in the train to passengers entering at any station where tickets are available for purchase instead of being issued from the booking-office at such station a booking fee of 6d. will be charged in addition to the appropriate fare. In the case of children under 15 years of age half the additional fee (3d.) only will be charged.

(b) When the holder of a season ticket is unable to produce such ticket for the journey being made, he will require to pay the appropriate fare for such journey, but no booking fee will be charged.

5. **Alternative Routes.**—Except otherwise provided, passengers holding ordinary, season (except annual season tickets, Regulation 18), commutation, or excursion tickets between stations where there are alternative routes will, if they pay fares for the shorter route, be allowed to travel by that route only; but if fares are paid for the longer route passengers may travel by either route. Except as otherwise specified, in the case of annual season tickets, the holders may travel only over the lines actually specified on the tickets in each case.

6. **Issue of Tickets.**—(a) Tickets may be obtained on the day or in advance of the day the passenger desires to travel, at any railway-station where there is an officer in charge, at duly authorized booking-offices, or, with the exception of tickets for travel in suburban areas, at the City Booking-office, Courtenay Place, Wellington.

(b) Tickets are to be obtained at the booking-office at stations where such offices are provided; at stations where there are no booking-offices tickets are to be obtained from the guards of the trains.

(c) Tickets on which any concession is granted should be purchased half an hour before the departure-time of the train by which such tickets are intended to be used. The Department reserve to itself the right to decline any application for such tickets if this rule is not observed.

7. **Expiry of Tickets.**—Unless otherwise provided, all tickets will expire at midnight on the last day of the period of their availability.

8. **Return Tickets.**—Passengers holding return tickets must on the outward journey present them whole; if the outward and return portions shall have been separated, both portions must be shown to the guard.

9. **Reduced-fare Tickets.**—Except where inconsistent with the context or otherwise provided, tickets at fares which are expressed to be a proportion of any other fares, will, in each case, have the same availability (both as to period of time and break of journey) as the tickets at such last-mentioned fares.