

WHICH TRANSIT FARES WILL BE ACCEPTED?



MONTHLY PASSES

The TRAM magnetic card and the local CITSO monthly cardboard will be replaced in fall 2009 with the new OPUS Smart Card. Until then, only the currently sold transit fares are accepted on CITSO buses. Bus drivers are not allowed to accept the OPUS Smart Card.

10 TRIPS CARDS

The 10 trips cardboard will be replaced in fall 2009 with the new Disposable Smart Card (cardstock). You will also be able to charge 10 trips on your OPUS Smart Card. Until then, only the currently sold transit fares are accepted on CITSO buses. Bus drivers are not allowed to accept the OPUS Smart Card.

SINGLE TICKETS

As soon as the Intelligent Fare Boxes (IFB) will be activated, there will be no more single ticket. However, you will be able to pay cash or to use the 10 trips card. You will be able to use your old single tickets by inserting them into the fare box card slot.

CASH PAYMENT

As soon as the Intelligent Fare Boxes (IFB) will be activated, it will therefore be possible for you to have your change back when you will pay cash on board. The bus driver will give you a Smart Card called "Electronic Wallet". This card will hold a non-refundable credit usable at your next trip.

TRANSFERS

As soon as the Intelligent Fare Boxes (IFB) will be activated, the bus driver will therefore provide you with your transfer on a reusable Smart Card. At your connection point, you will be able to use it by inserting it into the fare box card slot.

REDUCED TRANSIT FARES

The reduced transit fares will only be charged on the OPUS Smart Card. This card will also constitute your reduced fare ID card. As soon as in summer 2009, you will be able to ask for your new AMT or local (CITSO) reduced fare ID card at the CITSO service centers. Later in fall 2009, you will be able to charge the different transit fares on this card.

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THE OPUS SMART CARD IS COMING IN 2009



WHAT IS THE PROJECT SALE AND COLLECTION SYSTEM?

This major project intends to introduce the **OPUS Smart Card** on CITSO network and to install intelligent equipments on buses in order to improve the service offered.

WHAT IS THE OPUS SMART CARD?

The **OPUS Smart Card** is made of rigid plastic within it an embedded microchip that contains a memory device onto which up to 4 different transit fares are stored.

WHY THE PROJECT SALE AND COLLECTION SYSTEM?

- To integrate CITSO with the **OPUS** metropolitan system and to benefit from all it can offer and its advantages.
- To improve the service monitoring by using GPS and passenger counts. This on time monitoring will allow for adapting the service to the user's needs.
- To widen the payment possibilities, such as the new Electronic Wallet (on board change).
- To reduce fraud.

IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

JUNE-JULY 2009

Cabling and installation of the intelligent equipments (including the GPS and the passenger counters)

JULY 2009

Installation of the Intelligent Fare Boxes (IFB)

AUGUST 2009

Activation of the IFB (cash payment, Electronic Wallet, and transfer)

FALL 2009

Introduction of the **OPUS Smart Card** (monthly passes and 10 trips cards)

