

Winter Weather Discussion

Rider's Advisory Council
March 5, 2025



Response During Snow Events

Prior to the Event

- Monitor weather forecast, weather conditions and condition of operating system throughout the service area
- Develop Readiness response plan
- Coordinate deployment of staff, equipment and supplies

During the Event

- Monitor service and make recommendations for service level adjustments to minimize disruptions
- Conduct Bus Operator welfare checks and ensure execution of established detours
- If buses are immobilized, Supervisors verify if there are passengers present. Any passengers are transported to the nearest rail station

Restoration of Service

- Monitor and assess routes for passability
- Coordinate with local jurisdictions on areas that require treatment
- Restore service as routes are passable and communicate to the public

Readiness and Operations Levels

Readiness Level	Weather Forecast	Operations Level	Weather Conditions
Readiness 1	0 – 2 inches of snow starting in the next 8 hours or icing conditions possible.	Operations 1 (Normal/Light Operations)	0 - 2 inches of snow or icing conditions existing or expected.
Readiness 2	2 – 4 inches of snow starting in the next 8 hours or icing conditions possible.	Operations 2 (Moderate Operations)	2 - 4 inches of snow or icing conditions existing or expected.
Readiness 3	4 – 8 inches of snow starting in the next 8 hours or icing conditions possible.	Operations 3 (Severe Operations)	4 - 8 inches of snow or icing conditions existing or expected.
Readiness 4	8 or more inches of snow starting in the next 8 hours or icing conditions possible.	Operations 4 (Lifeline or Shutdown)	8 or more inches of snow or icing conditions existing or expected.

Summary of Routes and Detours

Summary of Routes by Weather Level

Day of Week	Level: LIGHT	Level: MODERATE	Level: SEVERE	Level: LIFELINE
Weekday*	193	114	42	21
Saturday	144	104	41	21
Sunday	119	101	41	21

Detour Route Description



WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY METROBUS INCLEMENT WEATHER REVENUE ROUTE DESCRIPTION

ROUTE: 32
DIRECTION: EASTBOUND
DIVISION(S): AFTR
DESTINATION SIGN: SOUTHERN AVE
LINE NAME: PENNSYLVANIA AVE
EFFECTIVE DATE: 09/11/22
LINE / PATTERN: 93
SERVICE TYPE: LOCAL

Operates at Level:

Light	Moderate	Severe	Lifeline
✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ – Detour shown on this page
 O – Alt. detour on another page

FROM TERMINAL:

POTOMAC PARK
 North side of Virginia Ave NW
 East of F St NW

TO TERMINAL:

CONGRESS HEIGHTS STATION
 Designated Bus Bay

SERVICE ROUTING – LIGHT, MODERATE, & SEVERE DETOUR

Regular Route to Pennsylvania & Minnesota Aves. SE
 Continue Pennsylvania Ave
 Right Branch Ave
 Right Alabama Ave
 Continue Alabama Ave bypassing Southern Ave Station
 Right Congress Heights Station Roadway
 Continue Designated Bus Bay

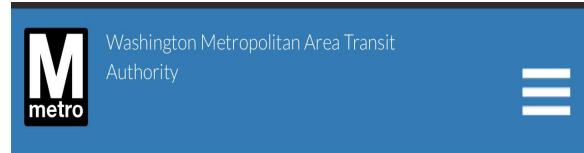
Detour Location: Southeast DC

No Service To:

Southern Ave Station, Naylor Rd., 23rd St., 25th St.

Metro Integrated Command and Communications Center (MICC)

- MICC Communications & Bus sections continuously collaborate during weather events
- Route-specific Metrobus delays & detour-related information is communicated via MetroBus Alerts
- Customers sign up to receive MetroBus Alerts via text and/or email
- MetroBus Alerts are also displayed on wmata.com, X, and Bluesky
- MICC Communications personnel engage with customers via social media to help answer service-related information



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System Status

01:32 PM on Tuesday, March 4

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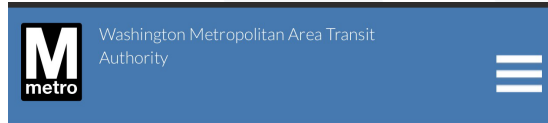
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! 6 bus alerts
[6 lines affected](#)



No train alerts
All lines are running smoothly



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Metrobus to Operate Severe Snow Plan: Monday, January 6

Advisory Effective: 1/5/25 - 1/6/25

Monday, January 6, 2025 | Until further notice

Due to extreme weather conditions, Metrobus is operating on a severe snow service plan. In a severe service plan, Metrobus service will be limited to major roads only, with service on most routes suspended. Detours will be in effect on certain routes to avoid areas prone to hazardous conditions such as hilly terrain and narrow streets.

Click [here](#) to see how your travel may be affected.

The following Metrobus routes are operating with possible detours:

- 1A
- 2A
- 7A, 7M
- 10A, 10B
- 16M
- 32B



Metrobus Info @Metrobusinfo · Jan 6

31 Service Alert: Expect delays in both directions on Route 31 because of **severe** weather. Check your bus location by visiting buseta.wmata.com/#31

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Metrobus Info @Metrobusinfo · Feb 12

Update as of 8:30AM: Metrobus is still operating on a **severe** snow plan, but increasing service on the following routes below.

- Normal service: 32, 52, 54, 62, 63, 64, X8, C14, 7M, MWY, REX, R1, 10B, F4, E4, D6, A8, 36, F1, C12, C13, A12, 16A, 11Y

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Metrobus Info @Metrobusinfo · Jan 7

P12 Service Alert: Buses are not operating because of weather conditions. Please find more info at wmata.com/severe

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Metrobus Info @Metrobusinfo · Jan 7

P6 Service Alert: Buses are currently operating on detour because of weather conditions. Please find more info at wmata.com/severe

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