

## Bus Pass Sales Retail Vendor & Distributor Program

## Overview

Nearly 60% of the people who ride Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) buses each day use a bus pass. The purpose of OCTA's pass program is to provide convenient points of purchase and distribution opportunities for bus riders. Bus riders who purchase a bus pass realize savings per ride when compared to paying for each ride on an as occurs basis.

## Eligibility

Any retailer must apply and be approved by OCTA to participate in the OCTA Bus Pass Seller and Distributor program.

### **Application Procedure**

A retail outlet licensed to do business in the city of their retail outlet may apply to sell bus passes by submitting the following completed documents to the OCTA Pass Sales Specialist:

- OCTA Pass Sellers Agreement
- Pass Seller Business Reference and Credit Application (a copy of a current business license required)
- Pass Seller Credit Application Banking Information Bank Notification
- Order Form

All applicants will be evaluated using the following criteria:

Location

Resellers of passes must provide a value to OCTA by being in a location where a retail outlet presence is needed. OCTA will determine if this criterion is met by the applicant.

• Quantity

While convenience for customers is important, labor is an important component of the cost to provide the service. Pass sellers must purchase a minimum of \$1000 of passes with each order to qualify.

Credit Worthiness

A bank and business reference check will be performed by OCTA and if approved, OCTA will set a credit limit for each applicant. Upon approval of an applicant's application, OCTA will fulfill your order and prepare an invoice to accompany the delivery of the pass order.

### **Ordering Procedure**

Orders for \$1000 or more in passes will be processed following an account review. OCTA shall not fill any order if your account is not current. Your orders may be submitted once a month.

OCTA Pass Order form must be used for all orders over \$1,000. This form can be emailed, faxed, mailed or hand delivered to OCTA. For all accounts in good standing, orders are processed and will be shipped within 2 -4 business days from receipt of the order.

By eMail:	vendor@octa.net
By Fax:	714 347.2400
By U.S. Mail:	OCTA
	PO Box 14184
	Orange, CA 92863-1584
Hand Delivery: Order will be received by receptionist. Passes will be returned by mail.	OCTA
	600 S. Main Street
	Orange, CA 92863
	714 560.6282

If you need passes and the total order is less than \$1000, you can purchase those passes online at https://www.octa.net/buypass1.asp or at the OCTA Store located at 550 S. Main Street in Orange. Payment for passes purchased on-line and in the OCTA Store is due at purchase.

### Discounts

Only orders over \$1000 will be discounted. If the passes are sold to a bus rider, they should be sold at the full price of the pass. Discounts are variable and depend on the total order amount as shown in the chart below.

Order Amount	Discount
\$1000 - \$2000	2%
\$2001 - \$3000	3%
\$3001 - \$4000	4%
\$4001 or more	5%

#### Payment Terms

Upon receipt of order, OCTA will fill the order and mail the passes with an accompanying invoice. The invoice will reflect the total of the passes ordered less the applicable discount. Payment is due 30 days from the date of invoice. If payment is not received within 30 days, OCTA will initiate collection activities in accordance to the terms of the agreement.

• Refunds/Returns

OCTA maintains an all sales final policy. OCTA will not replace or provide credit for any lost or stolen cards. Since passes are printed without prices or expiration dates, the shelf life of an unused pass is indefinite.

• Exchange

Pass exchange will be considered when the passes were purchased from OCTA more than 30 days previous and remain unsold (purchase means OCTA received a check more than 30 days prior to request) and the distributor has a proven ability to sell or distribute the requested pass types.

Refunds

Pass refunds are only granted when a Pass Seller's Agreement terminates and then only applies to passes for which OCTA received payment in full more than 30 days before request. Refunds are issued minus 5% the retail value.

## Pass Types

Bus passes offered by OCTA are designed to provide value to the riders. As a distributor of these passes, it is your responsibility to make sure the pass you provide to a bus rider is a pass that may be used by the customer. Regular passes do not require any eligibility for use however, some passes are specific to certain routes. Passes for youths, seniors, or persons with disabilities have eligibility requirements that must be met and/or documented. If a pass is sold to a customer who does not have acceptable ID, that customer will not be able to use the pass when boarding the bus.

• Senior/Disabled Pass

Patrons 60 years or older must provide documentation verifying their age when boarding the bus. Acceptable documentation includes:

- DMV Driver License or Senior ID card,
- Red, white and blue Medicare card
- An OCTA reduced fare photo identification card

Persons with disabilities must provide verification of their disability when boarding the bus. Acceptable verification includes:

- Red, white and blue Medicare card
- OCTA reduced fare photo identification card or a disabled identification card from another transit agency
- Service-connected Veteran identification card
- Braille Institute identification card
- DMV Disabled Placard
- ACCESS eligible OCTA reduced fare photo identification card
- Youth Pass

Children under 6 years old may ride free when accompanied by an adult. Passes for children ages 6 – 18 are available at a discounted rate when purchased as a 30-Day Pass or a Summer Youth Pass that is good from June 1 to August 31.

• Express 30-Day Passes

There is a OC Express 30-day pass for routes (757 & 758) that operate with limited stops and an Express 30-day pass for routes (701, 721 & 794) that operate between points in Riverside County, Orange County, and Los Angeles. These passes provide an excellent value to longer distance travelers.

**Prices** One Day Pass (Prepaid) Regular - \$4.50 Senior (60+) and Disabled - \$1.35



Each pass is good for one full day as payment on all OCTA local routes. If the pass is used on express service an additional fare may be required. An OCTA Day Pass is honored as full fare on Los Angeles County MTA and Inland Empire Connection within Orange County. The pass is accepted as an interagency transfer for the connecting ride only by bus transit agencies connecting with OCTA.

7-Day Pass Regular - \$25.00 Senior (60+) and Disabled - \$8.25



The pass is valid for 7 consecutive days. The first use of the pass begins the 7-day period. This pass is valid for payment of the full cash fare on all OCTA local routes. If the pass is used on express service an additional fare may be required.

30-Day Pass Regular - \$69.00 Youth (ages 6-18) - \$40.00 Senior (60+) and Disabled - \$22.25



Passes are valid for 30 consecutive days. The first use of the pass begins the 30-day period. This pass is valid for payment of the full cash fare on all OCTA local routes. If the pass is used on express service an additional fare may be required. This pass is honored as full fare on Los Angeles County MTA and Inland Empire Connection within Orange County.

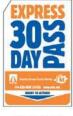
OC Express 30-Day Pass Regular - \$125.00



This pass is valid for 30 consecutive days. The first use of the pass begins the 30day period. The pass is used by riders of any service with a \$2.50 one way fare.

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\$125.00 Updated October 2014 Express 30-Day Pass Regular – \$187.50



This pass is valid for 30 consecutive days. The first use of the pass begins the 30day period. The pass is used by riders of inter-county express service to Los Angeles and is good for payment of one day fare on any OCTA local or expresses service.

\$187.50

5 Rides Regular - \$9.00



This pass is valid for five one-way trips of the customers choosing on all OCTA local routes. This pass is valid for payment of the full cash fare on all OCTA local routes. If the pass is used on express service an additional fare may be required.

\$9.00

ACCESS Curb-to-Curb Coupons (Book of 10 coupons)



\$36.00

This coupon book contains 10 coupons (\$3.60 each) which are valid for 10 one-way trips on ACCESS. This pass is valid for payment of the full cash fare for ACCESS service only and is not valid on the OCTA fixed route bus system.

# **Contact Information**

For questions about:

Your application status or your agreement:	Brianna Martinez, Pass Sales Specialist (714) 560-5891 / <u>bmartinez@octa.net</u>
Your pass order:	OCTA Accounting Department / 714-560-5731
Acceptable identification:	OCTA Reduced Fare ID Department / 714-560-5596
TransitChek:	Call 1-800-531-2828
Website:	www.octa.net
OCTA Mailing Address:	OCTA P.O. Box 14184 Orange, CA 92863-1584