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Lane Transit District

LTD Makes Changes To Onboard Carry-On Policy

EUGENE, Ore. ---(February 22, 2024)--- Lane Transit District is changing its carry-on policy. Effective Friday, March 1, <u>only certain carts and items</u> that can rest safely on a passenger's lap are allowed on LTD buses.

There's been a sharp increase in the number of wagons, oversized-carts, strollers, garbage bags and trash cans on buses. These carry-ons are usually filled with an individual's belongings, or with empty bottles and cans. This has created a number of safety concerns, from leakage to unsecured items when a bus's brakes are applied. They can also take over mobility spaces, which must be kept available for other passengers.

Any item brought on an LTD bus must be clean. See below for more information:

Wagons

No wagons allowed. The aisles and doorways must remain clear so passengers can get on and off.

Wheeled carts and totes

Two- or four-wheeled carts are allowed with the following dimensions: not exceeding 18 inches wide or 30 inches tall, excluding wheels and handles.

Strollers

Strollers are allowed. When a child is in the stroller, no need to collapse. Please make sure your stroller doesn't block the aisle or doorway. Empty strollers must be collapsed, and stored under the seats. LTD strongly recommends using an "umbrella" stroller, as large and double-wide strollers are difficult to maneuver on buses.

Luggage, bags, backpacks and packages

You can bring luggage, bags, backpacks and packages on the bus, but they must be able to fit comfortably on your lap.

Mobility devices

The device must be occupied by a passenger. Bus ramps can support a mobility device at least 30 inches wide and 48 inches long, weighing at least 600 pounds when occupied.

Segways

Segways are only allowed when being used as a mobility device due to a disability. It must, however, be turned off when on the bus.

Bikes

On a fixed-route bus, bikes must be stored on the rack affixed to the front the bus. On an EmX bus, bikes are brought onboard and secured to the interior bike rack.

Food and drinks

Eating is not allowed on LTD buses, but food and drinks can be on board in closed containers.

Pets

Unless it's a <u>service animal</u>, pets must be kept in a secure, enclosed carrier (not a stroller or mobility device).

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About Lane Transit District (LTD)

Lane Transit District (LTD) is a special district of the State of Oregon led by a seven-member volunteer board of directors appointed by Oregon's governor. LTD's budget is funded through a combination of fares, taxes paid by local employers and employees, and from state and federal sources. LTD lives its mission to connect our community by delivering more than 5 million annual passenger boardings from 30 fixed bus routes and two EmX Bus Rapid Transit lines. LTD's paratransit service, RideSource, provides more than 250,000 trips annually for people with disabilities and Medicaid recipients. More information about LTD is at www.LTD.org.