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Fans advised to travel early as game coincides with Thursday's evening peak commute

San Diego – The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is advising fans taking the Trolley to the San Diego Chargers Thursday Night Football game at Qualcomm Stadium to travel early and purchase tickets using MTS' mobile ticketing app to bypass Trolley boarding lines after the game.

Kickoff is at 5:25 p.m. MTS will boost the number of pre- and post-game Green Line trains, which provide direct service to Qualcomm Stadium. Train frequency on the Green Line will increase from the Old Town Transit Center and Qualcomm Stadium at 1:30 p.m. After the game, extra Green Line service will be operating in both directions until crowds diminish.

Fans are strongly encouraged to travel early as Green Line trains will be crowded or at capacity by 3:30 p.m. Passengers attempting to board trains after 3:30 p.m. should expect delays as trains reach capacity at stations closest to the stadium. UC San Diego Blue Line passengers can transfer to the Green Line at the 12th & Imperial Station. Orange Line passengers can transfer at either 12th & Imperial or Grossmont.

Finding the best place to park and ride the Trolley is also important! Some of the best park and ride locations for the game are:

- Grantville Trolley Station: 404 free parking spots (4 minutes to stadium)
- Hazard Center Trolley Station: 1,500 free parking spots (after 5 p.m. only, 6 minutes to stadium)
- Old Town Transit Center: 412 free parking spots (14 minutes to stadium)
- El Cajon Transit Center: 469 free parking spots (23 minutes to stadium)

To avoid Trolley lines after the game ends, passengers who have downloaded and purchased their Trolley tickets on mTicket, MTS's free mobile ticket app, will have access to an exclusive express line on the west side of the ramp that bypasses the general line. Fans can purchase and store mTickets on their smart phones at any time prior to arriving at transit stations. Multiple mTickets can be purchased on one smart phone too, making it easy for families and friends traveling together. For more information, visit www.sdmts.com/mobile-ticketing.

In addition to standard one-way and day passes, MTS has printed a limited quantity of commemorative San Diego Charger game day passes. The \$6 commemorative day passes are sold at the Transit Store, and at ticket booths at all Green Line Trolley stations between Old Town and Grantville. Commemorative day passes provide unlimited rides on all Trolley lines and most MTS bus routes.


MTS operates 95 bus routes and three Trolley lines on 53 miles of double-tracked railway. Every weekday more than 300,000 passenger trips are taken on MTS bus and Trolley services in 10 cities and the county. In FY 2016, MTS served 92.6 million riders. For more information on how you can use public transportation and save money, go to www.sdmts.com.

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