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Guide to Ground Transportation at LAX

Transportation services in and
around Los Angeles International
Airport — with an emphasis on
*environmentally
friendly* carriers





Clearing the Air at LAX

Many people know that the Los Angeles area has suffered from poor air quality for several decades. The smog – a haze of pollution that sometimes hangs over the region – is most often associated with passenger vehicle traffic.

LAX ranks 4th worldwide for passenger traffic, serving over 60 million passengers annually. With 2.1 million tons of air freight coming through each year, LAX is 2nd worldwide in tons of air cargo handled. Almost half of LAX emissions come from aircraft and aircraft-related operations; the rest come from commercial and private vehicles. Using Alternative Fuel Vehicles (AFVs) at LAX can make a big impact on air quality in the greater LA area.

Back on the Ground

By the end of 1999, commercial transportation services will be required to convert at least 50% of their fleet to AFVs. Two years after that, their entire fleet must be either LEV or ULEV. Meanwhile, in an effort to reduce emissions, LAX provides free parking and charging for electric vehicles as incentives for businesses and travelers.



Liquid natural gas burns up to 97% cleaner than gasoline or diesel fuel.

How to Use this Guide



1. Use the map of the greater LA area to find your local destination.
2. Refer to the chart to find the carrier(s) that travels nearest your destination.
3. Using the inset map of LAX, locate the area of the terminal where you can meet that carrier.



AFVs can reduce 40% of the pollution currently generated by airport vehicle traffic.

There are a number of transportation choices you can make to help reduce air pollution at LAX and improve air quality in the greater LA area. Whenever you travel, look for vehicles that say CNG, LNG, Electric, Propane or Methanol powered, and tell your travel agent that you prefer AFVs.

With private automobiles constituting over 70% of inbound LAX traffic, using an AFV means cleaner air for the whole region.









AFV Vocabulary

- **AFV (Alternative Fuel Vehicle)** A vehicle using any power source (except gasoline) which produces low or no polluting emissions
- **CNG (Compressed Natural Gas), LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas)** Used as a replacement fuel for gasoline in modified internal combustion engines
- **EV (Electric Vehicle)** A vehicle using an electric motor powered by rechargeable batteries
- **TLEV (Transitional Low Emissions Vehicle), LEV (Low Emissions Vehicle), and ULEV (Ultra Low Emissions Vehicle)** Gasoline or other fuel-powered vehicles, each with lower levels of smog-forming hydrocarbon and/or nitrogen oxide emissions.






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Vehicle/Service Provider	Fuel	Cost	Service Area	Time and Frequency
Bus L.A. Dept. of Airports (310) 646-5252 	LNG	Free	LAX parking lots and terminals	24 hours daily every 7 to 10 minutes
Light Rail (via free MTA shuttle) www.mta.net Metro Green Line (via LAX Shuttle A) (800) COMMUTE 	Electric	\$1.35 one way, \$0.25 transfer fee	see map	Monday – Friday: 4 a.m. to 11:45 p.m. every 7 to 12 minutes Saturday – Sunday: 4 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. every 15 to 20 minutes
Metro Bus (via free LAX Shuttle C) (800) COMMUTE www.mta.net 	Natural Gas and Methanol	(same as above)	All of greater L.A. area	4 a.m. to 11 p.m. frequency varies
Door-To-Door Shuttles Super Shuttle (800) 554-3146 Prime Time (800) 733-8267 	CNG (50% of vans) (30% of vans)	Varies by zip code from \$8 to \$40+ Cash, credit card	All of greater L.A. area	24 hours daily or scheduled

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Electric Car 		LAX offers free parking and charging for electric vehicles. Ten spaces are available in Parking Structure One and two spaces are available in remote Parking Lot C. LAX plans to offer 20 additional spaces in the proposed Parking Structure Six.		
Car Rental 		If your car rental agency does not yet have an AFV available, ask for a car with lower emissions, such as LEV, TLEV, or ULEV.		

Bus Routes			
42	to Downtown L.A.	120	to Willowbrook
111	to Whittier	220	to West Hollywood
117	to Downey	315	to Norwalk
439	to Downtown L.A. (North)	439	to Torrance (South)
561	to San Fernando/Sylmar		

Light Rail Routes		
	Metro Blue Line	
	Metro Blue Line (under construction)	
	Metro Red Line (under construction)	

Additional information on ground transportation is available at QuickAid computer kiosks throughout LAX and at www.QuickAid.com.		
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