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About go card



go card allows you to travel on all Translink bus, train, ferry, tram and on demand services across greater Brisbane, Ipswich, Moreton Bay, Redlands, Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast regions.

At present, go card does not operate in regional areas in Queensland.

To use, simply:

- top up your card
- tap on at the start of your journey
- tap off at the end.

Buy your *go* card today

Select your go card

go card is available for adults, children, and eligible seniors and concession card holders.

Tertiary students, job seekers, and asylum seekers need to buy an Adult go card and apply for concessions fares to be activated on the card.

Tickets are also available for tourists and visitors and for business.

Adult



Child



Senior



Current Australian Senior Card holders. Choose a Senior go card or Seniors Card +go

go for Business



Help connect your people to places.

go access



Find a range of cards and passes for all abilities, carers and support animals.

Concession



Pensioners, Veterans, and school students

Visitors and tourists



Exploring South East Queensland is easy with our *go explore* cards.

Group travel



Find a range of options for groups including bulk *go* cards and paper tickets.

To travel, simply tap your go card to the electronic card reader each time you start and finish your trip.

When you tap off, your fare is automatically deducted from your card balance. The card reader will display your fare, along with your remaining balance.

If you forget to tap on or off, you may be charged a fixed fare at the end of your trip.

For information on how to use and maintain your go card, take a look at our go card user guide (PDF).

Card reader sounds and lights

The card reader sound and lights will be different depending on your type of card.

The reader will give:

- a green light and one beep for adult cards
- an amber light and two beeps for children, seniors and concession cards.

Getting a red light or a cross? Try again, or try another card reader.

Register your go card

It only takes a few minutes to register your *go* card online. It means you can:

- top up your card online and over the phone
- set up auto top-up to always have travel credit on your card
- protect the money loaded onto your card if it's lost or stolen
- check your balance and transaction history
- request a refund or a balance transfer
- receive SMS or email notifications (you can choose the type of notifications you receive)
- check your expiry date.

If you've recently purchased a new *go* card, you won't be able to register your card until our backend system recognises it. In most cases, this will only take a couple of hours but sometimes it could be up to 24 hours.

go card expiry

All go cards are programmed with an expiry date.

The date varies depending on the type of *go* card, for example, concession *go* cards expire the same day as your Concession ID. Adult *go* cards are all programmed to expire after 10 years.

Once your card expires, it is no longer valid for travel. So it's a good idea to update it BEFORE this happens.

Expiry dates for go card

Card type	Expiry date
Adult	10 years from date of issue.

Child	On the child's 15th birthday.
Senior	10 years from date of issue.
Concession	Pensioners and veterans, and school students - the same day as your concession card expiry. Tertiary, job seeker, and asylum seeker - concession passes loaded to an Adult go card are valid until either Centrelink or the tertiary institution identifies the card holder as no longer eligible.
go explore card	Pass loaded to the card is valid until the last service on the day you activate the pass.

Check your *go* card's expiry date via your online *go* card account (registered cards only).

How to update your expiry date

- Visit selected *go* card retailers or Queensland Rail ticket offices (only in South East Queensland) and ask to update your expiry date. Then you can continue to use your *go* card.
- If **more than 255 days** have passed since your card expired, you need to buy a new *go* card to travel. You can then transfer the balance and refundable deposit from your old card to your new one.

Concession card holders:

- Concession card holders **need to present a valid concession ID** to update their *go* card expiry date.
- If you bought your concession go card online, you need to update your expiry date at a retailer within 14 days of purchase.

Dormant cards

If you don't use your go card for five years, your card becomes dormant and you cannot use it to travel.

However, you can apply for a refund of any unused credit on your card, along with the refundable deposit. Any unused funds from dormant go cards are reinvested into the public transport network.

Travel credit

Your go card travel credit does not expire.

If you don't use your *go* card for 5 years, your card becomes dormant and you cannot use it to travel. However, you can apply for a refund of any unused credit on your card, along with the refundable deposit.

Top up reversals

If you top up your *go* card:

- online
- via auto top-up, or
- over the phone

and you don't tap on within **60 days**, the top up is reversed and the money will be returned to your credit or debit card.

Your balance and transaction history

Your current balance is displayed on the card reader each time you tap on or off.

You can also check your balance online or at your local retailer.

Balance adjustment for incorrect fare

If you think you've been overcharged or received a default fare of \$2.50 because you weren't able to tap on/off correctly, you can request a balance adjustment within 120 days from the date the error occurred.

The easiest way to request a balance adjustment is online via your *go* card account. You can also call us on 13 12 30.

How to request an adjustment online

- 1. Login to your *go* card account. If you don't have one, you'll need to register your *go* card first.
- 2. Click the 'History' tab to see a list of your trips.
- 3. Click the 'Report' link next to the trip with the incorrect charge. This will open the 'Fare adjustments' tab.
- 4. Check the details are correct including the date and time of the trip. You can add any special comments about your trip in the box at the bottom of the page.
- 5. Click the 'Submit fare enquiry' button at the bottom of the page.

We usually process balance adjustment requests within 48 hours.

Your card balance will adjust the next time you tap your *go* card to a reader.

To check if your balance adjustment has been made, login to your go card account and check your transaction history.

go card refunds



Transfer balance to another go card

You can transfer your balance and refundable deposit from your old card to your new card, if both cards are registered.

Customers who do not wish to register their *go* card should apply for a *go* card refund.

Balance transfer options

To request a balance transfer, you can:

- log in to your *go* card account
- call 13 12 30
- complete the balance transfer and refund form (PDF). Use this option if your card expired more than 255 days ago, or you haven't used your card for more than five years (which means it has become dormant).

Balance transfers are usually completed within 10 business days.

For full details about balance transfers, please read our guide to balance transfers and refunds (PDF).

Lost or stolen go cards

If your lost or stolen go card is registered, call us on 13 12 30 immediately and we'll block it so it can't be used.

If you buy a new card, you can transfer the balance from your old card.

Register your *go* card today for peace of mind.

If you **find a go card** that someone has lost, please post it to:

Translink Cardholder Support Reply Paid 83865 Brisbane QLD 4001

No stamp is required.

Damaged or faulty go cards

If you're unable to tap on or off, first check:

- you are tapping your *go* card flat to the card reader
- nothing is interfering with your card sometimes the card won't read properly if it's touching another card in your wallet or purse
- for any marks, scratches or holes these may have damaged the card and prevent it from working.

If your card still isn't working, it may be damaged or faulty and you'll need to buy a new go card. You can then transfer the balance and refundable deposit from your old card to your new card.

Beware of third party applications

There are third party applications on the internet and for mobile phones that display go card account balances and other go card information.

Translink doesn't endorse these products. Customers who provide their *go* card details to non-Translink third party applications or non-endorsed service providers are breaching the *go* card terms and conditions.



Transcript

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- go card account log-in
- Buy and top-up go card
- Terms and conditions
- go card user guide
- Guide to balance transfers and refunds
- Balance transfer and refund form

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