

2005 Summer National Senior Games



Transportation Information

Avoid traffic. Save on parking fees. Enjoy the ride!

The Pittsburgh Local Organizing Committee, in conjunction with Lenzner Transportation Company, will operate three transportation routes – called the Olympic Loop – during the 2005 Summer National Senior Games. The Pittsburgh Local Organizing Committee encourages all credentialed athletes, guests, and spectators who are commuting within the service areas to take advantage of this convenient mode of transportation.

What is the Loop?

The Olympic Loop is a complimentary transportation service that will shuttle credentialed athletes, guests, and spectators between select event venues, Downtown and Oakland hotels, the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University residence halls, and various cultural destinations.

Who can ride the Loop?

All credentialed athletes, guests, and spectators can ride the Loop. Registered athletes will receive Athlete Credentials during Athlete Check-In at the Petersen Events Center. (An athlete's confirmation letter may be used in lieu of Athlete Credentials to ride the Loop to Athlete Check-In.) Guest Credentials may be purchased for \$10 during Athlete Check-In hours at the Petersen Events Center. (Guest Credentials also grant guests and spectators access to non-ticketed special events at the Petersen Events Center during the Games.)

Where to go on the Loop?

Cover as much ground as possible by transferring from one Loop to another at the University of Pittsburgh **Transfer Station** located on **Bigelow Boulevard between Fifth and Forbes Avenues**. Each route is color coded to make getting around easier. Maps will be provided in the *2005 Summer National Senior Games – The Senior Olympics Event Guide* (available at the Petersen Events Center during Athlete Check-In).

Orange Loop (Route 1) – Connects downtown Pittsburgh with select sites in Oakland. Shuttles will leave the **Transfer Station** near the hour, and approximately 20 minutes and 40 minutes after the hour. Shuttles will leave the **Hilton Hotel** at approximately 15 minutes, 35 minutes, and 55 minutes after the hour. The Orange Loop will service the following hotels and cultural attractions:

- Transfer Station on Bigelow Boulevard between Fifth and Forbes Avenues
- Hilton Hotel (drop-off point downtown for the Three River Arts Festival)
- Westin Convention Center Hotel
- Heinz History Center and Southwestern Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame
- Omni William Penn Hotel
- Ramada Suites
- Marriott City Center
- Hampton Inn (Oakland)
- Wyndham Garden Hotel (Oakland)

Purple Loop (Route 2) – Connects select sites on the University of Pittsburgh campus with select sites on Carnegie Mellon University campus and Schenley Park event sites. Shuttles will leave the **Transfer Station** approximately every 20 minutes from the start of service each morning. The Purple Loop will service the following event sites and residence halls:

- Transfer Station on Bigelow Boulevard between Fifth and Forbes Avenues
- New House (residence hall)
- Carnegie Mellon University (Track and Field); Henderson Hall (residence hall); Welch Hall (residence hall); Resnick Hall (residence hall); West Wing (residence hall)
- Schenley Park (Tennis, Horseshoes, and Archery)

Green Loop (Route 3) – Circles the University of Pittsburgh. Shuttles will leave the **Transfer Station** approximately every 20 minutes from the start of service each morning. The Green Loop will service the following event sites, residence halls, and hotels in Oakland:

- Transfer Station on Bigelow Boulevard between Fifth and Forbes Avenues
- Petersen Events Center (Athletes Village, Basketball, Racquetball, Table Tennis)
- Fitzgerald Field House (Shuffleboard); Trees Hall (Swimming); and Cost Center (Badminton, Volleyball)
- Sutherland Hall (residence hall); Petersen Events Center; Pennsylvania Hall (residence hall)
- Marriott Residence Inn
- Courtyard by Marriott

Notes of Interest

All shuttles will run from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. throughout the Games (be sure to ask the driver for the last shuttle pick-up time at your last stop each night). Schedules for the Loop will be included on the map in the *2005 Summer National Senior Games – The Senior Olympics Event Guide* (available at the Petersen Events Center during Athlete Check-In). Approximated schedules, including partial service dates, for each Loop are listed below.

- In **most** cases, shuttles will arrive at each stop approximately every twenty (20) minutes. **However**, exceptions to schedules will likely occur during rush hour or when other traffic or weather conditions cause delays. Loop riders should allow 1.5 hours of travel time (2 hours during rush hour) when traveling from Downtown Pittsburgh to sites in Oakland.
- **Partial service** will operate on the following days and will impact route times:
 - **Orange Loop (Route 1)** – Partial service on June 2, 17, and 18 means service stops will be at 30 minute intervals. Shuttles will leave the **Transfer Station** near the hour and approximately 30 minutes after the hour. Shuttles will leave the **Hilton Hotel** at approximately 15 minutes and 45 minutes after the hour.
 - **Purple Loop (Route 2)** – NO SERVICE ON JUNE 2. Partial service on June 3, 4, 15, 16, 17, and 18 means service stops will be at 40 minute intervals from the start of service at the **Transfer Station** each morning.
 - **Green Loop (Route 3)** – Partial service on June 2 means service stops will run at 40 minute intervals from the start of service at the **Transfer Station** each morning.

Additional transportation information will be provided in the *2005 Summer National Senior Games – The Senior Olympics Event Guide*. The Event Guide will include a map of the routes as well as the hours of operation.