## **Pickup Information**

The driver has a 15-minute window to pick you up. The driver is considered late if he or she arrives more than 15 minutes past your pickup time. Once 15 minutes has passed, you can check the trip status by calling 1-800-713-7445 and pressing 1.

The driver is required to wait 5 minutes past the scheduled pickup time. If you do not appear within 5 minutes, the trip is considered a "no show" and you will be required to pay a \$10 fine. When the driver is late, he or she is still required to wait 5 minutes for you to appear.

Frequently, more than one rider is scheduled for a pickup at a particular location. Before boarding the vehicle, confirm with the driver the trip is assigned to you.

#### How to Cancel a Ride

If you need to cancel a ride, call 1-800-713-7445 as soon as possible, but no less than 2 hours prior to pickup time. A ride canceled with less than 30 minutes of notification is considered a "no show" and the rider may be required to pay a \$10 fine. When canceling a trip, remember to cancel the return trip as well.

## **Apply for Subscription Rides**

If travel is required two days or more per week to the same location for an extended period of time, the rider may apply for a "subscription." Subscription rides eliminate the need for contacting the call center to book trips every week. However, the rider is responsible for the occasional trip adjustment and cancellation. The same cancellation policy applies to all trips. To apply for subscription rides, contact your sponsor.

#### Rider Feedback

If you have feedback regarding your ride, please contact *Pace Quality Assurance* representatives at **1-800-606-1282**. Be prepared to describe the nature of the incident, along with the date and approximate time, with as much detail as possible. Contact Pace immediately following the incident to get the most accurate report and timely response.

If you have not received a response within 7 days, please call Pace's feedback line at 1-800-606-1282 to follow up. In rare instances, it may take more than 30 days to respond due to the complicated nature of the complaint.

Safety, courtesy and on-time performance are expected of the transportation providers, and Pace needs to know when the expectation has not been met.

#### Title VI

The Village of Glen Ellyn's Ride DuPage Program operates without regard to race, color and national origin in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. Any person who believes she or he has been affected by any discriminatory practice under Title VI may file a complaint with the Village of Glen Ellyn by contacting the Village Manager, 535 Duane St., Glen Ellyn, 630-469-5000.

### **Contact Information**

For information about Glen Ellyn's Ride DuPage program, contact Sue Davison at the Glen Ellyn Senior Center, 630-858-6343 or sdavison@glenellyn.org.



Village of Glen Ellyn User's Guide

Subsidized transportation service for seniors and residents with disabilities



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## What is Ride DuPage?

Glen Ellyn seniors and persons with disabilities can receive curb-to-curb transportation service from their homes to any location in DuPage County through the Ride DuPage program. The program transports residents by paratransit bus or taxi for a fee of \$2 plus \$1 for each mile traveled. Service is provided 24 hours every day.

**Eligibility** is limited to residents who are 65 or older, or those with an RTA reduced fare card for persons with disabilities. The program is subsidized by Pace Suburban Bus Service, the Village of Glen Ellyn, the City of Wheaton and Milton Township. Ride DuPage replaced the Pilot II and Dial-a-Ride programs.

# **How to Register**

In order to use Ride DuPage, you must be a registered rider. To register, call the Glen Ellyn Senior Center at (630) 858-6343 to request information and an application.

Once the application is processed, you may begin using Ride DuPage. Please allow at least a week from when you send in your form for processing. You will not receive confirmation once your registration has been processed.

## How to Schedule a Ride

Registered Ride DuPage users can schedule a ride by calling **1-800-713-7445** (TTY: 1-800-713-7415) between 6:00 am - 6:00 pm Monday-Friday, and 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Saturday & Sunday.

## When Scheduling a Ride

**Identify** yourself as a Ride DuPage rider and be prepared to provide the following information:

- Your name and phone number.
- The exact address of your pickup location, and your drop-off location, along with the closest major

intersection and a physical description of the pickup area (such as a specific entrance, sign or building name). For example, College of DuPage, M Building, Entrance M-3. Some larger or more frequently traveled locations have designated drop-off and pickup locations. Ask the call taker if your destination is one of these locations.

- Appointment times (i.e. doctor, hair, etc.) or employment hours. Allow for at least 15 minutes between your arrival time and appointment time. For return trips, schedule your pickup for at least 15 minutes after the completion of your appointment.
- If applicable, name of travel companion/assistant and their travel needs.
- *Trip purpose*. This information is requested but not required. It is used by your sponsor for transportation analysis and the rider's name is kept confidential.

The call taker will confirm your trip cost upon scheduling your ride. Fares are a flat fee of \$2 plus an additional \$1 per mile travelled. Be sure to have the exact fare in cash. Please ask the call taker to confirm the trip details before ending the call.

Trips can be reserved up to seven days in advance. Same-day reservations are not guaranteed, and at least one-day advance notice is encouraged. When requesting destination time of arrival (i.e., appointments), allow call taker to recommend a pickup time. The busiest travel times are 5-10 a.m. and 2-5 p.m. Book rides that fall within those times well in advance to ensure availability.

## **Travel Assistant/Companion**

Ride pickup is from curb to curb. Drivers do not assist riders in and out of buildings but will make every effort to assist a rider into and out of the vehicle safely. When a rider's needs are beyond the responsibility of the driver, a travel assistant is required. The travel assistant must be identified with the sponsor and can only ride with a registered rider. One travel assistant or travel companion (such as a spouse, friend or family member) may ride at no charge.

### **Group Trips and Shared Rides**

Group trips – where three or more riders are departing from and returning to the same location – receive a discount and are encouraged whenever possible. Notify the call taker if you are scheduling a group trip.

In order to maximize transportation resources, two or more people may be transported together if origin and/or destination locations are within reasonable distances.

### **SPECIAL NOTES:**

- ★ For the safety of our riders, the minimum age to use Ride DuPage without an adult is 16 years old.
- ★ Ride DuPage is NOT designed as an emergency transportation service. If you have a medical emergency, please call "911" immediately.

## \*\*NEW IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS\*\*

When boarding a vehicle, riders MAY be required to show either their valid RTA ADA Paratransit ID card or an identification card with picture (State ID card). Please plan to carry a photo ID with you at all times.