HOW TO RIDE

Eligibility
Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Sun Shuttle Dial-a-Ride service is available to persons with disabilities who are certified as ADA-paratransit eligible by the ADA Paratransit Eligibility Office. To be eligible, you must also be a resident of Pima County, six years of age or older, living within the service area indicated on the map.

Reservations
Reservations are required one to seven days in advance. Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. every day.

Ways to Pay
Voucher orders can be made by phone at (520) 791-4100 or in person Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Special Services Office, 35 W. Alameda St. in Tucson. For Complementary ADA Service, a book of full fare vouchers is $32, while a book of low-income fare vouchers is $16, both valid for 10 one-way trips. For Full Fare Optional Service, a book of additional vouchers ($2.80 value per ticket) is $28, while a book of additional low-income Optional Service vouchers is $24 ($2.40 value per ticket), both valid for 10 one-way trips. One Optional Service voucher (blue) PLUS a Fare voucher (yellow) must be provided to use this service. Vouchers are provided to the driver at the time of the trip. Ask your reservationist which vouchers you will need for each trip.

Cancellations
Please call by 4 p.m. the day before your scheduled trip to cancel.

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1. Call (520) 792-9222 to schedule your ride one to seven days in advance, or visit totalride.com/sunshuttle to schedule online.
2. When scheduling your trip, provide your name, date of travel, departure location, destination and desired arrival time.
3. Be ready at your scheduled pick-up location at least 15 minutes prior to your pick-up time.
4. When you board, verify your desired drop-off location with the driver.
5. Gather personal belongings before you exit the vehicle. Sun Shuttle is not responsible for items left on the vehicle.

Complementary ADA vs. Optional Service

Complementary ADA Service includes:
• Trips within the ¾-mile limit of comparable fixed-route bus service
• Trips provided at times that are available on nearby comparable fixed-route bus

Optional Service includes:
• Trips beyond the ¾-mile limit and beyond times available on a comparable fixed-route bus
• Same-day requests
• Will Call scheduling

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One-Way Fares**
Complementary ADA, Full fare $3.20
Complementary ADA, Low-Income fare $1.60*
Optional Service, Full fare $6.00
Optional Service, Low-Income $4.00*  
* To pay low-income fare, passengers must have a SunCO ID & Card as proof of qualification. To apply, visit the Special Services Office at 35 W. Alameda St. in Tucson. ** Fares and Passes subject to change.
Policies

Will Call Services
Will Call Return Trips are intended to provide flexibility to passengers if they are unsure of an exact pick-up time for their return trip. When reserving trips, passengers should provide a general time they expect to call for a return trip, with no more than one Will Call request for each scheduled one-way trip.

Will Call Standard – On-time within two hours.

Same Day Services
Same-day service is a trip that is performed on the same calendar day as requested. All same-day service is based on availability and is not guaranteed. Same day service is considered on-time within a two hour pick-up window.

Pick-Up Window
Reserved trips are considered on-time if within a 30 minute pick-up window. This window is 15 minutes before and 15 minutes after the requested pick-up time. Passengers need to be ready within the pick-up window. Within the pick-up window, the driver will wait five minutes before departing to serve other passengers, and a no-show will be recorded.

Bags Allowed
Each passenger is allowed up to four (4) packages. The driver is not allowed to carry packages into homes. If packages exceed the above limits or any one package weighs more than 40 pounds, a ride may be refused.

Personal Care Companions
A Personal Care Companion is allowed to travel only if "PCA" appears on a SunGO ID & Card issued by the ADA Paratransit Eligibility Office and the Special Services Office. A PCA rides at no charge, but must have the same origin and destination as the qualified passenger.

Service Animals
• Drivers are not permitted to handle service animals.
• A service animal must be under the control of its owner at all times. Procedures for traveling with service animals involve loading the animal first and unloading the animal last.
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Service Vehicles
The vehicles have “Discount Cab” or “Total Transit” on the side. The appropriate vehicle for your trip will be provided, depending on your mobility and trip needs.

Rules for Riding
• Shirt, pants and shoes are required.
• No smoking in vehicles, including electronic cigarettes.
• Never interfere with the driver’s ability to drive safely.
• Gasoline-powered (GP) bicycles, GP scooters and GP skateboards are not allowed in vehicles.
• Vehicle batteries and gas containers are not allowed inside vehicles.
• Except for service animals, keep pets enclosed in small cages or cardboard boxes.
• Keep food and drinks in closed containers. No eating and no alcoholic beverages inside the vehicle.
• Do not litter or create unsanitary conditions. Take your trash with you.

Boarding & Exiting the Van
The driver is available to assist with boarding and exiting the vehicle upon request. Drivers cannot go inside homes, offices or other buildings. Customers who cannot be left unattended must have a PCA or caregiver meet them at the door. If a customer needs assistance from the door to the vehicle, please let the reservationist know when scheduling the trip.

Policies in place are to ensure safe and efficient service to our community. Learn about the policies at www.RTAmobility.com/sunshuttle or call (520) 792-9222.

Cancellations and No Shows
If a trip is not canceled at least two hours in advance, a no-show will be recorded. Repeated no-shows will be subject to service review, and the customer will be notified. No-shows for reasons beyond the passenger’s control, or due to a scheduling error, will not be counted against the passenger.

Trips in Progress
Drivers are required to complete the trip to the assigned destination with no deviations from the assignment. Passengers can assist drivers to locate destinations but an entirely new destination cannot be accommodated.

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Title VI Policy: Sun Shuttle operates public transit services without regard to race, color or national origin. For additional information on Sun Shuttle’s nondiscrimination obligations or to file a complaint, please call (520) 792-9222 / TDD: 628-1565.

Requests for Reasonable Modification Policy: For the Americans with Disabilities Act, regional transit providers who receive federal financial assistance are committed to responding to requests for reasonable modifications of their policies, practices or procedures. For more information, visit www.suntrans.com/responsible_modifications.php

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