

Taipa LRT to start accepting Macau Pass cards

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The Taipa Light Rapid Transit line will start accepting the general Macau Pass cards for payment from May 24, the company responsible for the transport system announced.

Previously passengers would have to either buy single trip tickets or acquire a separate LRT pass card to use the line.

Macao Light Rapid Transit Corporation Limited indicated that it hoped the change could make the movement of passengers “easier and more flexible”.

As with public bus systems, passengers with a Macau Pass for general use will be able to enjoy the discount equivalent to the LRT Pass, and students, seniors and people with disabilities who hold a personalized Macau Pass will be able to enjoy a discount.

Discounts are currently available on Taipa LRT tickets with fares per trip varying between MOP1.5 and MOP2.5 LRT Pass or Macau Pass holders for general use, while students, seniors and people with disabilities are exempt from paying fees.

After a six-month closure, the Taipa LRT passenger line resumed operations on April 3, with discounted fares to be offered until year-end.

The Taipa Line, which runs from Ocean Station to Taipa Ferry Station and opened on December 2019, is the only line that has been put into use in the Macau light rail

system now, with a total length of 9.3 kilometers and a total of 11 stations.

The average daily passenger volume has stood at very low levels, ranging from 1,100 to 2,600 so far, except during its first month of operation when tickets were free of charge and 33,000 used the transport system.