

# Travel in Europe using FIP facilities



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# Rail Staff Travel. Travel in Europe using FIP facilities

## Introduction

FIP - *Facilités de circulation Internationales du Personnel des chemins de fer*: (International Travel Facilities for Railway Staff) comprises a group of European rail and shipping carriers who have voluntarily agreed a mutual exchange of staff travel facilities. Rail Staff Travel (RSTL) is a member identified as **GB National Rail**.

Employees of National Rail Train Operating Companies are eligible to benefit from FIP facilities after 12 month's service. FIP facilities are provided subject to the goodwill of RSTL and the reciprocal third parties concerned and may be amended or withdrawn at any time. No person has any contractual right or entitlement to FIP facilities.

If you hold Standard Class National RSTL facilities, your FIP facilities will be issued as Second Class.

FIP facilities are for leisure use only (unless endorsed for duty travel). **It is forbidden to use FIP leisure facilities for journeys undertaken for lucrative purposes (i.e. residential, business or duty) or for journeys serving the interests of a third party.**

Some duty travel FIP facilities are available to employees only. Please contact RSTL for more information if you are required to travel on business.

The two principal FIP facilities are:

- **FIP International Reduced Rate Card** (FIP Card) for purchase of discounted tickets
- **FIP Coupons** for limited free travel

### ***Facilities for active staff***

These are the carriers in the FIP scheme, the number of coupons available in each calendar year for an active employee and family members, and the discount available using the FIP Card.

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Carrier and location	Coupon allocation for active employees and:	Ticket discount
<b>Attica Ferries – Adriatic and Aegean seas</b>	Nil	Global fares
<b>BDZ – Bulgaria</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>BLS AG – Switzerland</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>BSB-VSU – Lake Constance</b>	1 (employee only)	Global fares
<b>ČD - Czechia</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>CFL - Luxembourg</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>CFR – Romania</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>CIÉ – Republic of Ireland</b>	2, and 2 for each dependant	75%
<b>CP – Portugal</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>DB – Germany</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>DSB – Denmark</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>EIL – GB, Northern Europe</b>	Nil	Global fares
<b>Euskotren – Spain</b>	1 (employee only)	100%
<b>FS – Italy</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>GYSEV (Raaberbahn) – Austria, Hungary</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>HT – Greece</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>HŽ – Croatia</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>KD – Poland</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>KŚ – Poland</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>KW – Poland</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>ŁKA – Poland</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>MAV – Hungary</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>NIR – Northern Ireland</b>	2, and 2 for each dependant	75%
<b>NS – Netherlands</b>	2, and 2 for each dependant	50%
<b>ÖBB – Austria</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>PKP – Poland</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>RENFE – Spain</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>SBB-CFF – Switzerland</b>	1 (employee only)	50%
<b>SLL – Irish Sea</b>	Nil	50%
<b>SNCB – Belgium</b>	2, and 2 for each dependant	75%
<b>SNCF – France</b>	2, and 2 for each dependant	75%

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Carrier and location	Coupon allocation for active employees and:	Ticket discount
SP – Switzerland	1 (employee only)	50%
StL <sup>1</sup> – North Sea	2, and 2 for each dependant	Global fares
SV – Serbia	1 (employee only)	50%
SŽ – Slovenia	1 (employee only)	50%
THI – Northern Europe	Nil	Global fares
Vy – Norway	1 (employee only)	50%
ŽFBH – Bosnia Herzegovina	Nil	50%
ŽPCG – Montenegro	1 (employee only)	50%
ŽRS – Bosnia Herzegovina	1 (employee only)	50%
ŽRSM – North Macedonia	1 (employee only)	50%
ŽSR – Slovakia	1 (employee only)	50%

### ***Facilities for retired staff (safeguarded only)***

These are the carriers in the FIP scheme, the number of coupons available in each calendar year for a retired employee and family members, and the discount available using the FIP Card.

Carrier and location	Coupon allocation for retired employees and:	Ticket discount
Attica Ferries – Adriatic and Aegean seas	Nil	Global fares
BSB-VSU – Lake Constance	Nil	Global fares
CFL – Luxembourg	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
CIÉ – Republic of Ireland	1, and 1 for each dependant	75%
EIL – GB, Northern Europe	Nil	Global fares
Euskotren – Spain	Nil	100%
FS – Italy	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
HT – Greece	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%

<sup>1</sup> Stena Line BV free travel for one return journey – present an FIP coupon + Port Tax ticket + Environmental Charge. Reduced rate tickets available at ports only. Advance reservations mandatory – phone 01255 202352



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Carrier and location	Coupon allocation for retired employees and:	Ticket discount
<b>NIR – Northern Ireland</b>	2, and 2 for each dependant	75%
<b>NS– Netherlands</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>ÖBB – Austria</b>	1 (Retired Employee only)	50%
<b>SNCB – Belgium</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	50%
<b>StL<sup>2</sup> – North Sea</b>	1, and 1 for each dependant	Global fares
<b>THI – Northern Europe</b>	Nil	Global fares

For these carriers for retired employees there is no allocation of coupons and the ticket discount is 50%.

Carrier and location – No coupons available for retired employees. Ticket discount 50%.	
<b>BDZ – Bulgaria</b>	<b>PKP – Poland</b>
<b>BLS AG – Switzerland</b>	<b>RENFE – Spain</b>
<b>ČD – Czechia</b>	<b>SBB–CFF – Switzerland</b>
<b>CFR – Romania</b>	<b>SLL – Irish Sea</b>
<b>CP – Portugal</b>	<b>SNCF – France</b>
<b>DB – Germany</b>	<b>SP – Switzerland</b>
<b>DSB – Denmark</b>	<b>SV – Serbia</b>
<b>GYSEV (Raaberbahn) – Austria, Hungary</b>	<b>SŽ – Slovenia</b>
<b>HŽ – Croatia</b>	<b>Vy – Norway</b>
<b>KD – Poland</b>	<b>ŽFBH – Bosnia Herzegovina</b>
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<b>KW – Poland</b>	<b>ŽRS – Bosnia Herzegovina</b>
<b>ŁKA – Poland</b>	<b>ŽRSM – North Macedonia</b>
<b>MAV – Hungary</b>	<b>ŽSR – Slovakia</b>

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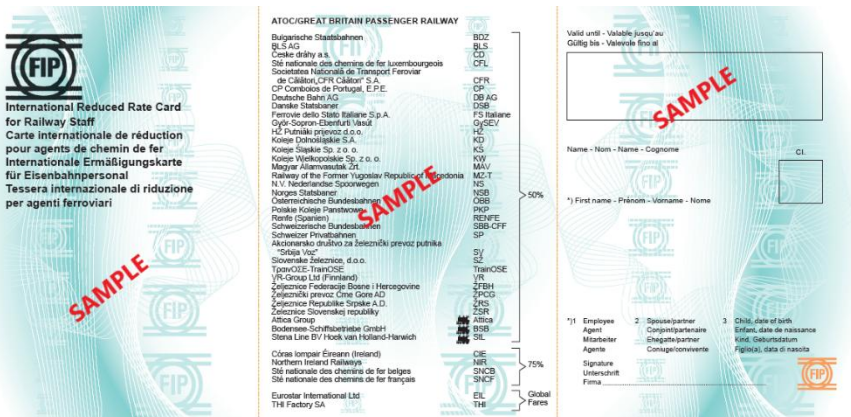
## Use of this guide

This is a guide to FIP travel benefits in the FIP scheme. There may be changes which have not been notified to RSTL. **This guide offers no legal guarantees of the availability and usage of FIP facilities.**

## FIP International Reduced Rate Card

The International Reduced Rate Card (FIP card) provides eligibility for a discount off the full adult public fare on the domestic services of all FIP members except your own. Non-standard discounts may apply on cross-border journeys, depending on the agreements under which these cross-border services operate.

**FIP cards are personal issue, must be signed and are not transferable.** When buying a ticket and when presenting that ticket for inspection, the card holder must present the FIP card and their passport as supporting photographic ID. The passport name must match that on the FIP card.



FIP cards have a printed period of validity of two calendar years but one additional month validity is added either side, i.e. from 1 December of the

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year preceding the dates printed, to 31 January of the year following. (i.e. a card for 2025-2026 is valid from 01/12/2024 to 31/01/2027.)

### Discounted ticket purchasing before you leave Britain

FIP discounted tickets can be bought from International Rail Ltd.

- Submit your journey details [www.bookmyrst.co.uk](http://www.bookmyrst.co.uk)
- International Rail prepare the quote and contact you with pricing.

International Rail Ltd can assist with booking travel on Eurostar and Thalys and also for travel in the following countries:

Country	Domestic bookings	International bookings
Austria	Yes	Yes
Bulgaria	No	Yes for trains to Romania only
Belgium	Yes for the 50% discount only. 75% discount only available at ticket offices.	Yes
Croatia	Yes for day trains only)	Yes for trains to Austria and Slovenia
Czechia	Yes	Yes
Denmark	Yes	Yes for trains to Germany
France	No	Yes for Alleeo services to Germany and TER/IC services to Belgium
Germany	Yes except some DB Regio and s-bahn	Yes
Greece	No	
Hungary	Yes except some local and regional services	Yes for trains to Austria, Croatia, Slovenia, Romania, and Slovakia
Ireland	No	No
Italy	Yes except some regional services	Yes
Luxembourg	No	Yes for trains to Germany and Belgium
Netherlands	Yes	Yes
Norway	No	No
Poland	PKP day trains with seat assignment. Not for night trains	Yes except the Vilnius to Krakow route
Portugal	No	No

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Country	Domestic bookings	International bookings
Romania	No	Yes for trains to Hungary and Bulgaria
Slovakia	Yes	Yes
Slovenia	Yes	Yes for trains to Austria and Croatia
Spain	Yes	Yes
Switzerland	Yes except some local and regional services	Yes except TGV Lyria

Please note that the table above is correct as of December 2024. However, carriers can add or withdraw services from the international retail systems without notice.

To buy tickets for SNCF domestic services in France please see the chapter later in this document.

FIP fares are usually quota controlled. Each operator decides how far in advance quotas for FIP discounted fares are made available to retailers. If your requested journey is not available, you need to amend either the time or date, or pay the full public fare if you can't be flexible.

The FIP card lists the carriers and the discount on the adult fare available. There is no discount on public child fares.

International Rail have access to European rail ticketing systems to sell FIP discounted fares. Sometimes public travel cards, advance purchase fares or promotions are cheaper than the FIP discount on a single/return full fare ticket. The International Rail system cannot guarantee that where a public fare is cheaper than the FIP fare, that this will always be offered.

### **FIP discounted ticket purchasing whilst travelling abroad**

You can buy tickets at railway station ticket offices in the local country.

Many carriers do not permit the purchase of tickets on-board trains unless boarding from an unstaffed station. The guide highlights where boarding without a ticket is not permitted.

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This guide highlights where carriers permit the purchase of tickets:

- at ticket vending machines.
- using smartphone apps or carrier websites.

### Conditions of carriage using discounted tickets

The use of discounted tickets is subject to the local conditions of carriage on the carrier concerned. There may be requirements to validate tickets before use or restrictions on freedoms such as break of journey.

### FIP fares for children

Children holding the FIP Card are eligible for a reduction on the **public adult fare**. This may or may not be less than the public child fare.

For domestic journeys the entries for each carrier show ages at which children can obtain public child fares.

For international journeys children up to the age of 4 may travel free of charge unless the journey requires a mandatory reservation. Children up to the age of 12 are eligible for a reduction on the public adult fare. Where the journey is on an international train and entirely within specific country, a few countries have higher limits up to the age of 16 which apply. International Rail can advise for specific journeys.

### Changes to FIP membership during the validity of a card

During the two-year validity of a FIP card, a carrier may resign from FIP membership. This carrier will then not accept the FIP card for purchasing discounted tickets. **RSTL is not liable for any changes which result in inability to purchase discounted tickets.**

If a carrier joins as an FIP member during the validity of a card, then discounts are available from the date of joining the scheme, even if the new carrier is not listed on the FIP card. The RSTL guides and website will contain information of new carriers.

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### FIP Coupons

FIP coupons provide a limited amount of free travel. However, when using FIP coupons some long distance and high-speed service may be subject to supplement charges and mandatory reservations. For more information please check the entry in this document for the relevant carrier.

**Your passport provides the supporting ID document and needs to be presented alongside your FIP coupons when travelling.** The name printed on your coupons must match the passport name.

Each carrier sets how many coupons each employee may apply for in each calendar year. The numbers available are in the Introduction section above.

#### Validity of coupons

FIP coupons are valid for 3 months from the outward date of travel. The start and end validity dates are printed by RSTL on each coupon.

The outward date of travel determines which allocation year the coupons are drawn from. (i.e. if you apply for coupons with an outward travel date of 1 December 2025, these will come from your allocation for 2025).

Unused coupons in your allocation for a particular calendar year, may be applied for for travel up to 31 March in the following year. Submit an application to RSTL with an outward travel date of 31 December (even if your actual outward travel date is after this date).

#### Applications to RSTL for coupons

Apply using either of the following forms on the RST website [www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/forms.html#international](http://www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/forms.html#international):

- xx09b – International Coupons Application – Employee only
- xx09c – International Coupons Application – Employee and family members

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Submit the form on-line no later than 3 weeks prior to travel.

## Issue of coupons by RSTL

FIP coupons are issued by RSTL around 2 weeks prior to travel.

## Use of the coupons for travel

The coupon tickets show your name. Your passport is the supporting identification.

Four numbered boxes when dated by you are valid for 2-days, from 00:01 that day and up to midnight of the following day (unless that day is after the end of validity date of the coupon) for free travel (subject to any supplements or mandatory reservation charges) on the services of the carrier in the class of travel shown on the coupon (1. Cl is 1<sup>st</sup> Class, 2. Cl. is 2<sup>nd</sup> Class).

Boxes must be dated using a permanent ink pen in numerical order and completed before boarding a train. Use of erasable pens or pencils is a travel irregularity which will result in the permanent withdrawal of both domestic and international travel facilities.

**GB National Rail** COUPON-FAHRSCHEIN-TAGLIANDO FIP

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VALABLE-GÜLTIG-  
VALIDO-VALID: 21/02/2020 - 20/05/2020

DATE	TIME	ÖBB - ÖSTERREICHISCHE BUNDESBAHNEN	DATE	TIME	KL/CL
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COUPON VALABLE LE JOUR INSCRIT (JJ/MM/AA) ET LE LENDEMAIN  
FAHRSCHEIN GÜLTIG AM EINGETRAGENEN TAG (TT/MM/JJ) UND AM NÄCHSTEN TAG  
TAGLIANDO VALIDO IL GIORNO ISCRITTO (GG/MM/AA) NONCHE' QUELLO SUCCESSIVO  
COUPON VALID ON THE ENTERED DAY (DD/MM/YY) AND ON THE NEXT DAY

1: . . . . . 2: . . . . . 3: . . . . . 4: . . . . .

00334640 SIGNATURE-UNTERSCHRIFT-FIRMA 10125896

Enter the date of travel in the format dd/mm/yy with leading zeros for any number less than 10 – i.e. 01/05/25 for 1 May 2025.

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The specific countries section of this guide will help to identify whether supplements are payable or reservations are required. International Rail can help with advice and make reservations.

Not all carriers allow independent retailers to make reservations where tickets are not being bought at the same time.

Depending on your journey and the countries that you will be travelling in you may find that you can only use your FIP card to obtain privilege rate tickets rather than using free coupons. If you provide your proposed itinerary to International Rail at [sales@bookmyrst.co.uk](mailto:sales@bookmyrst.co.uk), they can advise of any restrictions about the services you wish to use.

The maximum age at which children are carried free of charge varies in Europe from country to country. The lowest is 4 years, so we will always issue FIP documents for a child aged 4 or over.

International Free Coupons are issued as a batch for the journey requested.

### Transit Points of FIP carriers

Each FIP carrier defines its fare boundaries using Transit Points. These are listed in the relevant section of this document. A Transit Point is a fare location which may or may not be a passenger station of the same name.

This example shows ÖBB Transit Points with DB AG.

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which ÖBB coupons are valid
DB AG	Kufstein, Liefering, Lindau Reutin, Mittenwald (Gr), Passau Hbf, Salzburg Hbf, Simbach an Inn

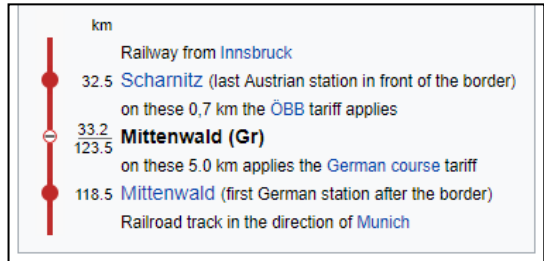
### Virtual Border Transit Points



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Transit point locations with a suffix such as (Gr), (fr), (mp) or (ms) are *Virtual Border Transit Points* (i.e. a location which is not a passenger station).

An example is the transit point of **Mittenwald (Gr)**. This is a location on the geographical border 0.7km north of Schamitz railway station in Austria and 5km south of Mittenwald railway station.

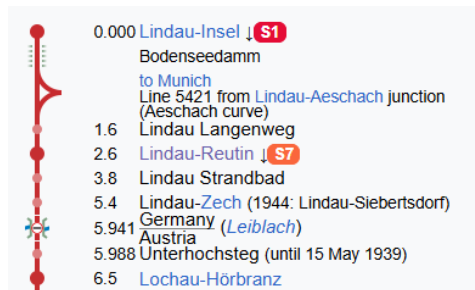


If you are travelling north from Austria to Germany on this route and are using coupons on ÖBB but need to buy FIP discounted tickets for DB AG, your ÖBB coupon is valid for the 0.7km from Schamitz station to Mittenwald (Gr). The Origin of your DB AG ticket must be **Mittenwald (Gr)** and not the first DB AG station in Germany which is **Mittenwald**.

Please see the Glossary entry for *Transit Points* for the suffix meanings.

### Passenger Station Transit Points

Where the Transit Point location has no suffix then coupons are valid for travel to/from that station, even if the station is in a neighbouring country.



As an example of a location with no suffix, the Transit Point for ÖBB with DB AG is Lindau Reutin. This indicates that ÖBB coupons may be used on the Vorarlberg Railway north east as far as Lindau Reutin in Germany.

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The illustration shows (bottom to top) the railway from Bregenz in Austria to Lindau Insel in Germany crossing the border at the 5.941 km point.

### **Cross-border journeys**

The transit points define the geographical extent to which FIP coupons are valid.

On a cross-border journey (where coupons are accepted), FIP coupons are required for each country travelled through, irrespective of the train operator which provides the train service.

As an example, on EN 234/235 services (Vienna <> Venice/Rome) trains cross the border between Austria and Italy at Tarvisio Boscoverde. The table of Transit Points for ÖBB shows that this is the border with FS and the table of Transit Points for FS shows that this is the border with ÖBB. Both ÖBB and FS coupons are required if crossing the border on this service.

## **Loss or theft of FIP Travel documents**

FIP Coupons which are lost or stolen cannot be replaced. Neither RST nor any other FIP carrier is liable for any refund of fares paid after loss or theft of FIP cards or coupons.

**Theft** - Theft of FIP Travel cards or coupons must be reported immediately to

- the police in the country in which the theft took place and a certificate obtained from the police to confirm the report was submitted.
- RST in the form of a notification giving the circumstances of the theft along with a copy of the certificate received from the police.

**Loss**- Any loss of cards or coupons must be reported immediately to RST in writing or by e-mail giving the circumstances of the loss and steps undertaken to recover the cards or coupons.

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### **FIP Travel Irregularities**

It is your responsibility to ensure you only use FIP facilities for the intended purposes. Where misuse is detected, then the holder will be subject to Travel Irregularity proceedings by both the local carrier and RSTL.

Examples of Travel Irregularities include:

- non-leisure travel, i.e. travelling for residential, business or duty purposes, or for journeys serving the interests of a third party
- use of FIP Coupons or discounted tickets bought with an FIP Card and unable to support their use with a passport
- attempting to buy a discounted ticket with the FIP Card and unable to support its use with a passport
- modifying a date box on an FIP coupon
- travelling after the expiry date of an FIP coupon
- travelling on restricted services
- travelling in a class of accommodation not available with the FIP facilities
- travelling on mandatory reservation or supplement services without reservations or supplements
- transfer of FIP facilities to non-eligible persons
- using FIP facilities when not eligible
- travelling in breach of the Conditions of Travel of the carrier

This list of examples is not comprehensive.

Travel Irregularities reported to RST by any FIP member will be dealt with following the same procedure in force for the National Rail domestic schemes.

When an FIP Travel Irregularity warrants temporary or permanent withdrawal of travel facilities, RST will apply this to domestic travel facilities as well as international travel facilities allocated to the employee and/or dependants.

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Neither RST nor any FIP carrier is liable for any refund of fares paid after seizure of FIP cards or coupons during a Travel Irregularity investigation.

### **General Tips**

Most carriers require you to purchase a ticket before boarding a train (and will refuse to sell discounted tickets on board) unless boarding from a station with no ticket office.

On long distance and high-speed journeys, supplements may be payable, and reservations required. Carriers may not permit payment of supplements on-board trains.

Tickets are subject to the Conditions of Carriage imposed by the carrier.

Unlike in Britain and on Eurostar, it is usually possible to hold 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP facilities and upgrade to 1<sup>st</sup> class on payment of the difference between the public 2<sup>nd</sup> class and 1<sup>st</sup> class fares. Upgrades for transferring to a higher class of travel must be paid before departure.

### **Problems using FIP facilities**

If you encounter difficulty with FIP facilities, buying or using discounted tickets, or experience problems using free FIP coupons, RSTL can only raise this with the carrier concerned if we have full details.

As a minimum please provide:

- the main passenger name and number of FIP passengers travelling
- the location of the incident (station or train service)
- the name of the employee of the FIP company (if possible)
- the date and time of the incident
- which aspect of the FIP facilities was not accepted

## **Rail Staff Travel. Travel in Europe using FIP facilities**

Issues should be submitted in writing (by e-mail) to RSTL. RSTL makes no guarantees about getting satisfactory responses from FIP member carriers. The arrangements with FIP are based on a mutual exchange of facilities managed through goodwill, rather than any formal contractual agreement.

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### International journeys to and from Great Britain

For FIP purposes there are three entities relevant for International journeys **to and from Great Britain** and also between Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

- EIL – Eurostar Limited
- SLL – Stena Line Limited (Irish Sea services)
- StL – Stena Line BV Hoek van Holland - Harwich

The following table defines the boundaries for GB National Rail with neighbouring FIP carriers.

Neighbouring carrier	Transit Points
EIL	St Pancras
SLL	Cairnryan, Fishguard Harbour, Holyhead, Liverpool
StL	Harwich P.Q.

#### ***Eurostar International – EIL***

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 11 years old are eligible for a child fare. Persons aged 11 up to 26 pay a youth fare. Persons aged 26 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by EIL defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the EIL railway network.

Routes	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers	Neighbouring Transport Carriers
London – Bruxelles	London	GB
	Lille, Bruxelles	SNCF, THI
London – Amsterdam	London	GB
	Bruxelles	SNCF, THI
	Rotterdam, Amsterdam	NS, THI
London - Paris	London, <i>Ebbsfleet</i>	GB
	Paris	SNCF, THI

FIP coupons are not valid for free travel on Eurostar services.

## Rail Staff Travel. Travel in Europe using FIP facilities

Eurostar FIP fares are priced globally to include unavoidable supplements such as the tunnel charge.

Eurostar FIP fares and booking information is published on the RST website here [www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/offers.html](http://www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/offers.html)

If you hold a 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP card you can only book in Eurostar Standard accommodation on Eurostar. <sup>3</sup>

If you hold a 1<sup>st</sup> class FIP card, you can book in either Eurostar Standard or Eurostar Plus accommodation on Eurostar.

There is no FIP reduction in Eurostar Premier. To travel in Eurostar Premier, the full public fare must be paid.

### ***Stena Line BV Hoek van Holland - Harwich - StL***

Passenger and vehicle ferry services between Harwich and the Hook of Holland.

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 14 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 14 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by SLL defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SLL network.

<b>Routes</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Hoek van Holland–Harwich P.Q.	Harwich P.Q. Hoek van Holland	GB NS

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<sup>3</sup> Source RST Ref:90-035-51/D7740INC

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The RET metro Hoekse Lijn from Hoek Van Holland to Schedam Centrum does not accept FIP facilities.

FIP discounted tickets must be bought in advance of travel. FIP discounted tickets cannot be bought on-board ships. For overnight journeys, the reservation of a cabin is mandatory.



Stena *Hollandica* in Hoek van Holland <sup>4</sup>

Port fees and the environmental charge must be paid. More details on the environmental charge are here:

[www.stenaline.co.uk/faqs/book-quote-online/what-is-the-environmental-charge](http://www.stenaline.co.uk/faqs/book-quote-online/what-is-the-environmental-charge)

There is no 1<sup>st</sup> class accommodation.

Advance reservations mandatory – phone 01255 202352

### ***Stena Line Limited – SLL (Irish Sea routes)***

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Stena Line operate passenger and vehicle ferry services on the Irish Sea.

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by SLL defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SLL network.

<b>Routes</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Holyhead–Dublin Bay	Holyhead Dublin Bay	GB CIE
Fishguard–Rosslare	Fishguard Rosslare	GB CIE
Cairnryan–Belfast	Cairnryan Belfast	GB NIR
Liverpool–Belfast	Liverpool Belfast	GB NIR

FIP discounted tickets must be bought in advance of travel. FIP discounted tickets cannot be bought on-board ships.

Port fees and the environmental charge must be paid.

[www.stenaline.co.uk/faqs/book-quote-online/what-is-the-environmental-charge](http://www.stenaline.co.uk/faqs/book-quote-online/what-is-the-environmental-charge)

There is no 1<sup>st</sup> class accommodation.

No FIP discount is given for the carriage of cars, bicycles and caravans.

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### Austria – ÖBB, GySEV and BSB/VSU

The following carriers are relevant for Austria:

- ÖBB – **Österreichische Bundesbahnen** (Austrian Federal Railways)
- GySEV – **Győr-Sopron-Ebenfurti Vasút** (Győr-Sopron-Ebenfurti Railway) known as *Raaberbahn*, operating services in south-east Austria and Western Hungary
- BSB/VSU - **Bodensee-Schiffsbetriebe / Vereinigten Schifffahrtsunternehmen für den Bodensee und Rhein** (Lake Constance shipping services)

#### **ÖBB FIP facilities**

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 15 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 15 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by ÖBB defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ÖBB railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which ÖBB coupons are valid
CD	Bernhardsthal Grenze, Gmünd (Gr), Summerau (Gr), Retz (Gr)
DB AG	Kufstein, Liefering, Lindau Reutin, Mittenwald (Gr), Passau Hbf, Salzburg Hbf, Simbach an Inn
FS	Brennero/Brenner, San Candido/Innichen, Tarvisio Boscoverde
GySEV	Pamhagen, Sopron, Szentgotthárd (Gr)
MÁV	Hegyeshalom (Gr)
SBB, (including BLS and SP)	Buchs SG, St. Margrethen
SŽ	Bleiburg (Gr), Jesenice (Gr), Spielfeld (Gr)
ŽSR	Kittsee (Gr), Marchegg (Gr)
BSB (including VLB, SBS, URh)	Bregenz

ÖBB coupons are valid on services in Lichtenstein. See the pages for Lichtenstein.

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When buying FIP discounted tickets for ÖBB services, a service charge is levied on on-train payments.

On Railjet (**RJ**) services on ÖBB sections of route:

- holders of 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP facilities may use Economy Class.
- holders of 1<sup>st</sup> class FIP facilities may use First Class
- Premium/Business class in *railjet* services may not be used by holders of any FIP travel facilities.

Business compartments only may be used by holders of personal International Senior Manager Free Passes by obtaining a free reservation before boarding the train. Business compartments may not be used by other FIP facilities holders.

FIP coupons are valid on S-Bahn services operated by ÖBB.

Break of journey is not permitted on journeys of up to and including 100km. For journeys of 101km or longer, break of journey is valid without formality.

Seat reservation labels on ÖBB services may display *ggf. reserviert*. This means that the seat has been set aside in the booking system for last minute reservations. The official advice is not to occupy the seat, but if you do, you will have to vacate it if a ticket holder has a reservation.

### Supplements

For trains designated **IC**, **ICE**, **EC RIX**, **RJ** and **D** a supplement of €15 (1<sup>st</sup> class) or €10 (2<sup>nd</sup> class) must be paid. Supplements are valid for the same period as an FIP coupon dated box (i.e. max. 48 hours) and are available both from ÖBB ticket offices and conductors on trains. The supplement does not include seat reservations which must be made and paid for separately.

The requirement to purchase a supplement does not apply:

- when using NV trains
- when using ÖBB night trains

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- to holders of coupons endorsed with **No Supplement Necessary** (except on specific routes as below)
- to holders of the International Senior Manager Free Pass (except on specific routes as below)
- when a supplement has been purchased on trains from Brenner.

### ***Railjet (RJ) to/from Italy (Venezia via Tarvisio Boscoverde)***

If using a FIP coupon (with or without the “No supplement required” stamp) or an International Senior Manager Free Pass, the FIP supplement must be paid for journeys to/from Italy as well for journey which are entirely within Italy.

### ***DB-ÖBB Eurocity München – Innsbruck – Bolzano – Venezia and RJX trains from/to Bolzano via Brenner***

With FIP free coupons on DB-ÖBB Eurocity services operated jointly by DB and ÖBB via the trans-Alpine Brenner Railway (München – Innsbruck – Bolzano – Venezia), and RJX trains from/to Bolzano via Brenner

- a DB, ÖBB or FS coupon is required for travel in each country
- for journeys in or between Austria and Germany, no supplement is payable
- holders of a 1<sup>st</sup> class coupon not endorsed by a stamp stating **No Supplement Necessary** and travelling 1<sup>st</sup> class within Austria must purchase a seat reservation ticket or travel authority ticket

### **Travel to and from Wien (Vienna) Airport**

FIP facilities are not valid on the CAT (City Airport Train) service from Wien Airport.

FIP coupons are valid on ÖBB operated local trains on S-Bahn line S7.

The ticket offices for ÖBB and CAT are in terminal 3.

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*Non-FIP advice: If using Vienna area public rate transport tickets on the S-Bahn (i.e. singles or 24/48/72-hour tickets through the WienMobil app) these are only valid as far as the city boundary at Schwechat. You will need an additional ticket from a ticket office or vending machine between Schwechat and Vienna Airport. WienMobile app public rate tickets are only valid on CAT services or Vienna Airport Lines (VAL) bus services to and from the airport with the CAT or VAL add on product in the app.*

### Discounted ticket purchase in Austria

ÖBB provide a contact centre for enquiries and booking FIP discounted and non-FIP tickets. Tel: +43 (0) 5 1717. Calls to this number from the UK are at the standard international rate. ÖBB does not charge any additional costs.

For domestic journeys within Austria tickets may be purchased from a ticket vending machine. Select *Fahrkarte Inland mit Zielwahl* (inland destination), followed by the *'Ermäßigung* (reduction) and *ändern* (change) buttons should be used with the code *Mitarbeiterticket 50% / FIP-Inland*.<sup>5</sup>

Tickets purchased on board a train are generally more expensive than tickets purchased through other retail channels before boarding the train. On suburban routes, ticket purchase is mandatory before boarding the train.

### ÖBB bus and coach services

Apart from the specific services listed below, FIP facilities are valid only on rail replacement bus services.

#### *Graz to Klagenfurt*

FIP facilities are valid on Intercity Buses (ICB) between Graz and Klagenfurt

#### *Klagenfurt/Villach to Udine/Venezia*

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<sup>5</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-009/ D7741INC

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On Intercity Buses (ICB) special FIP fares apply and a mandatory seat reservation is included. FIP coupons and International Senior Manager Free Passes may also be used but a surcharge applies and a seat reservation is mandatory.

### **Motorail**

FIP facility holders may use motorail services. The public cost of transporting the vehicle is payable. There is no FIP discount on special fares.

### **Tunnel shuttles**

FIP free coupon holders may use the tunnel car shuttle (*Autoschleuse* or *Tauernschleuse*) through the Tauern tunnel (Böckstein-Mallnitz-Obervellach) if the tunnel shuttle permits the vehicle and the vehicle is registered in the name of one of the passengers holding FIP free coupon facilities.

FIP coupon holders are transported free of charge. The vehicle and passengers without FIP coupons are charged at the full public rate.

No reduction is offered with a FIP Card.

### **Nightjet (NJ) and EuroNight (EN)**

FIP facilities are accepted on NJ and EN services. When using FIP Coupons, a valid coupon from the relevant national operator is required for each country that the train passes through.

FIP coupons endorsed 'No Supplement Required' are obliged to pay the seat, couchette or sleeper berth reservation fee when booking either leisure or business travel.

Also see the Global Fares section of this document.

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### ***GySEV FIP facilities***

*(The entry for Hungary covers GySEV services. Conditions listed here are specific to Austria.)*

In Austria, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 15 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 15 and older pay the adult fare. *(Note that the child ages are different for GySEV services operated in Hungary. See the GySEV entry in Hungary.)*

### ***BSB/VSU FIP facilities***

See separate entry for Lake Constance Ferries.

### **Non-FIP companies**

FIP travel facilities are NOT valid on these services in Austria:

- Achenseebahn
- CAT (City Airport Train) Wien
- Graz–Köflacher Bahn
- Montafonerbahn
- NÖVOG
- Pinzgauer Lokalbahn
- Zillertalbahn
- Salzburger Lokalbahn
- Steiermärkische Landesbahnen
- WESTbahn
- Wiener Lokalbahn (Badner Bahn)

This list should not be considered exhaustive.

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### Belgium – SNCB/NMBS

The following carriers are relevant for Belgium:

- SNCB - **Société nationale des chemins de fer belges** (National Railway Company of Belgium)
- EIL – **Eurostar International** (see separate entry)
- THI – **THI Factory** operating Thalys (separate entry in Global Fares)

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by SNCB defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SNCB railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which SNCB coupons are valid
CFL	Athus, Gouvy (fr), Sterpenich (fr)
DB AG	Aachen Süd (Gr)
EIL	Bruxelles (fr)
NS	Roosendaal (fr), Visé (fr)
SNCF	Blandain (fr), Givet (fr), Jeumont (fr), Quévy (fr), Tourcoing (fr)
THI	Antwerpen, Bruxelles, Liège

FIP coupons and FIP discounted tickets are valid without restrictions on SNCB services.

A supplement is payable by holders of FIP coupons (even if endorsed **No Supplement Necessary**), the International Senior Manager Free Pass, and tickets bought with the FIP Card when travelling on SNCB services from Brussels Airport.

FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased on-board where the customer joins a train at a station with no ticket office and approaches the train conductor of their own accord.



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### **Eurocity services Bruxelles – Rotterdam – Amsterdam – Lelystad**

On both the *Eurocity Direct ECD* and *Eurocity EC* services on this route, the NS supplement is payable if travelling between Rotterdam – Schiphol. (See the Netherlands section for more information).

If travelling using FIP discounted tickets, then the ticket prices are different for *Eurocity Direct ECD* and *Eurocity EC* and are not interchangeable.

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### Bosnia - Herzegovina – ŽFBH, ŽRS

The following carriers are relevant for Bosnia-Herzegovina:

- ŽRS - **Željeznice Republike Srpske** (Republika Srpska Railways)
- ŽFBH - **Željeznice Federacije Bosne i Hercegovine** (Railways of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina)

#### **ŽRS FIP facilities**

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by ŽRS defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ŽRS railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (mp) suffixes, please see the Glossary entry for Transit Points.*

<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Brčko (Gr) – Brčko (mp)	Brčko (Gr)	HŽ
	Brčko (mp)	ŽFBH
Slavonski Šamac (Gr) – Doboј – Maglaj (mp)	Slavonski Šamac (Gr)	HŽ
	Maglaj (mp)	ŽFBH
Doboј – Petrovo (mp)	Petrovo Novo (mp)	ŽFBH
Volinja (Gr) – Novi Grad-Doboј	Volinja (Gr)	HŽ
Novi Grad – Blatna (mp)	Blatna (mp)	ŽFBH

FIP facilities are not available on ŽRS motorail or bus services.

#### **ŽFBH FIP facilities**

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

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The following table supplied by ŽFBH defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ŽFBH railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (mp) suffixes, please see the Glossary entry for Transit Points.*

Lines	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers	Neighbouring Transport Carriers
Metković (Gr) – Sarajevo - Maglaj (mp)	Metković (Gr)	HŽ
	Maglaj (mp)	ŽRS
Brčko (Gr) – Bosanska Poljana – (Tuzla) – Bosansko Petrovo Selo / Petrovo Novo (mp)	Brčko (Gr)	HŽ
	Bosansko Petrovo Selo/Petrovo Novo (mp)	ŽRS
Brčko (Gr) – Tuzla – Banovići	Brčko (Gr) {	HŽ
Martin Brod (Gr) – Bihać – Blatna (mp)	Martin Brod (Gr)	HŽ
	Blatna (mp)	ŽRS

FIP discounted tickets (for travel within Bosnia-Herzegovina only) are available, including on ŽFBH rail replacement bus services.

FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased on-board ŽFBH trains if arriving in Bosnia-Herzegovina and continuing a journey in the same train which crossed the frontier, or when starting a journey at a station where the ticket office is unstaffed.

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### Bulgaria – BDZ

The following carrier is relevant to Bulgaria:

- BDZ - Български държавни железници or **Balgarski darzhavni zheleznitsi** (Bulgarian State Railways)

Journey type	Free travel for children up to	50% reduction for children up to	Adult fare for persons aged
Domestic	7 years old	10 years old	10 and older
International	7 years old	12 years old	12 and older

The following table supplied by BDZ defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the BDZ railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the Glossary.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which BDZ coupons are valid
CFR	Ruse (fr) (also as Rouse or Russe) (Bulgarian: Русе), Vidin (fr)
TrainOSE	Kulata (fr) (Bulgarian: Кулата) Svilengrad (fr) (Bulgarian: Свиленград)
SV	Dimitrovgrad (fr) (Bulgarian: Цариброд, Tsaribrod)
TCDD	Kapikule (fr)

On mandatory reservation services, reservations must be obtained prior to departure.

FIP ticket purchase on-board trains is only permitted when the journey starts at an unmanned station.

If you travel beyond the ticket destination and purchase a ticket to cover the additional distance, a supplement is payable.

Break of journey is not permitted.

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### Croatia – HŽ

The following carrier is relevant to Croatia:

- HŽ - **Hrvatske željeznice** (Croatian Railways)

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by HŽ defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the HŽ railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which HŽ coupons are valid
MÁV	Koprivnica (Gr), Kotoriba (Gr) (Hungarian: <i>Kotor</i> ), Magyarbóly (Gr)
SV	Erdut (Gr) (Serbian: Ердут), Šid (Gr) (Serbian: Шид)
SŽ	Buzet (Gr), Čakovec (Gr), Dobova (Gr), Kumrovec (Gr), Metlika (Gr), Mursko Središće (Gr), Rogatec (Gr), Šapjane (Gr)
ŽFBH	Brčko (Gr), Martin Brod (Gr), Metkovic (Gr)
ŽRS	Brčko (Gr), Slavonski Šamac (Gr), Volinja (Gr)

Supplements are payable for travel on EC and “high comfort” services. Reservations are mandatory on IC and ICN trains for which a reservation fee is payable.

FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased on-board trains if arriving into Croatia and continuing a journey in the same train which crossed the frontier, or when starting a journey at a station where the ticket office is unstaffed.

Break of journey is permitted within the period of validity of the ticket, and with the following conditions:

- At staffed stations it must be confirmed by station staff on leaving the station where the break of journey starts

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- At stations which are temporarily not staffed when break of journey occurs, confirmation can be provided at the next major station, or at the same station on the next working day, as appropriate
- At stations which are permanently unstaffed, confirmation of break of journey is to be made by on-train staff.



Zagreb Glavni kolodvor by the Hungarian architect Ferenc Pfaff 1891-92 <sup>6</sup>

Luggage may not weight more than 30kg. If the luggage cannot be stowed over or under a seat, a fee will be charged.

FIP facilities are not valid on HŽ bus services except on rail replacement services.

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### Czechia – ČD

The following carrier is relevant to Czechia:

- ČD - **České dráhy** (Czech Railways)

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free in Standard Class only. Children up to 18 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 18 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by ČD defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ČD railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which ČD coupons are valid
DB AG	Bayerisch Eisenstein (Czech: <i>Bavorská Železná ruda</i> ), Cheb (Gr), Furth Im Wald (Gr), Hrádek nad Nisou (Gr), Potůčky (Gr), Schöna (Gr), Vejprty (Gr) , Vojtanov (Gr)
ÖBB	Břeclav (Gr), Gmünd (Gr), Summerau (Gr), Retz (Gr)
PKP	Bohumín (Gr), Cesky Tesin (Gr), Gluchoňlazy (Gr) (Czech: <i>Hluchoňlazy</i> ), Lichkov (Gr) (or Plhy City), Zebrzydowice (Gr), Silesian Voivodeship
ŽSR	Čadca (Gr), Hodonín (Gr), Horní Lideč (Gr), Kúty (Gr), Myjava (Gr), Nemšová (Gr), Skalica na Slovensku (Gr)

FIP discounted tickets can only be purchased on board trains when travelling from stations where the ticket office is closed.

FIP discounted tickets cannot be purchased from the ČD app, as the discounts in the app which give 50% reduction are not from FIP quotas.

Seat reservations are needed with FIP discounted tickets on SC services.

FIP facilities are not available:

- in Business Class on *RailJet* services (not to be confused with *RegioJet*, an independent operator)
- on cable car services operated by ČD
- on special and historic trains

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- on ČD trains where the service is provided as a result of ČD winning a public tendering process<sup>7</sup>

FIP travel documents are valid for through journeys that leave and re-enter Czechia on routes 083 and 098 (Děčín - Rumburk via Dolní Žleb and Dolní Poustevna and return).

### **Break of journey**

Break of journey is not permitted on domestic services where the ticket is for a distance of up to 100km. It is permitted where the ticket is for a distance of 101km or greater (except when their train is passing through Germany. Leaving or joining these trains in Germany is also not permitted).

### **Supplements on Commercial Services**

A supplement is payable on trains classified as “commercial”, and:

- when travelling with an FIP leisure coupon (but not an FIP duty coupon or using tickets purchased with a FIP Card)
- it costs the equivalent of €6 (as of December 2022). A receipt will show the number of the travel document to which it relates.
- is valid from 00.01hrs on the 1<sup>st</sup> day to midnight the following day i.e. 48 hours. It can be purchased up to 60 days in advance from UNIPOK 2G ticket counters, ČD ticket offices, the ČD eShop or on-train where the conductor has the appropriate equipment.
- is issued to each traveller. It will show the number of the FIP coupon to which it relates and is non-transferrable.

### **Refunds on supplements**

Refunds can be made up to 23.59hrs on the day prior to the first day of validity (no deduction applicable) or within 15 minutes of purchase (no deduction applicable). If an unused supplement is returned by 08.00hrs on

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<sup>7</sup> ČD have not provided details on which services this exception applies to.



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the first day of validity, an admin charge of 100 CZK is applied. In any other cases, no refund is possible.

### **ČD Commercial Services**

FIP facilities are not valid on ČD Commercial Services. The list of services is published on the Where Can I Go and Restrictions page of the RST website.

### **Regional services in South Moravia (Brno area)**

FIP facilities are not valid on regional services in South Moravia, even if operated by ČD.<sup>8</sup> The list of these services is published on the Where Can I Go and Restrictions page of the RST website.

### **Regional services in Pilsen (Plzeň) area**

FIP facilities are not valid on some regional services in the Pilsen area. The list of these services is published on the Where Can I Go and Restrictions page of the RST website.

### **ČD Bus services**

FIP coupons and International Senior Manager Free Passes are not valid on any ČD bus service.

FIP discounted facilities are available on the following bus services:

- Václav Havel Airport Prague to Praha hl. n. (Prague main station)
- Hranice na Moravě to Frýdek-Místek via Nový Jičín and Příbor

FIP discounted facilities are not valid on other ČD bus services.

You must buy a ticket (reservations compulsory) at least 15 minutes before boarding from ČD ticket offices, ticket machines, or from the ČD eShop.

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<sup>8</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-025/D7956INC

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### Other Operators

ČD FIP facilities are not available on other operators including:

- *Desná Railway (Arriva Morava)*
- *GW Train Regio*
- *Jindřichohradecké místní dráhy (JHMD)*
- *Leo Express*
- *RegioJet*

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### Denmark – DSB

The following carrier is relevant to Denmark:

- DSB - **Danske Statsbaner** (Danish State Railways)

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 15 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 15 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by DSB defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the DSB railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which DSB coupons are valid
DB AG	Flensburg (Gr), Puttgarden [via Rødby Faerge], Tønder, Warnemünde [via Gedser]
SJ (Sweden)	Helsingborg (formerly <i>Hälsingborg</i> ) (via Helsingør)

Reduced rate tickets cannot be bought for travel wholly within the Greater København, and Aarhus-Grenå areas. FIP coupons are valid without restriction in these areas.

Break of journey is permitted but tickets must be endorsed by train staff.

FIP coupons and FIP discounted tickets are only valid on *Scandlines* ships in connection with a rail journey.

FIP facilities are not valid on

- Øresundståg services
- DSB bus services
- Arriva Tog A/S
- Lokaltog A/S
- Midtjyske Jernbaner A/S
- Nordjyske Jernbaner A/S

### Travel to and from Copenhagen Airport

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FIP facilities are not valid on Øresundståg services from Københavns Hovedbanegård (Copenhagen Central Station) to Københavns Lufthavn Station (Copenhagen Airport railway station).<sup>9</sup>

FIP facilities are valid on ICL trains.

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<sup>9</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-016/D8692INC

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### Finland – VR

**FIP facilities will cease to be valid in Finland from 1 January 2026.**

The following carrier is relevant to Finland:

- VR – **VR Group** – Finnish State Railways

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

On *Pendolino* and IC trains a compulsory supplement includes a seat reservation. This is payable with an FIP Coupon or a FIP discounted ticket.

FIP discounted tickets may not be purchased on-board trains. A Penalty Fare and the public fare is charged if a passenger is found without a valid ticket.

FIP discounted tickets cannot be purchased from ticket vending machines.

FIP discounted tickets can be purchased from ticket offices or VR customer service. The phone number is at : [www.vr.fi/cs/vr/en/customer-service](http://www.vr.fi/cs/vr/en/customer-service)

FIP discounted tickets are not valid when travelling only in commuter trains within the HSL area, even if they are branded VR. If you have a long-distance ticket which includes travel in the commuter trains (HSL area) it is valid.

Break of journey is not permitted except for changing onto connecting services.

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### France – SNCF

The following carriers are relevant to France:

- SNCF - **Société nationale des chemins de fer français** (National Railway Company of France)
- EIL – **Eurostar International** (see separate entry)
- THI – **THI Factory** operating Thalys services (see separate entry)

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by SNCF defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SNCF railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which SNCF coupons are valid
CFL	Bettembourg (fr), Rodange (fr)
DB AG	Apach (fr), Forbach (fr), Hanweiler (Gr), Kehl (Gr), Lauterbourg (fr), Neuenburg(Bd)(Gr), Wissembourg (fr)
EIL	Paris, Lille
FS	Limone-Confine, Modane (fr), Piene (fr), Ventimiglia (fr)
RENFE	Canfranc (fr), Hendaye (fr) ,Port-Bou, La Tour-de-Carol-Enveitg
SBB-CFF (including BLS and SP)	Annemasse, Basel SBB, Delle (fr), Genève [via Bellegarde], Le Châtelard-Frontière (fr) Le Locle-Col des Roches, Les Verrières (fr), Vallorbe
SNCB	Blandain (fr), Givet (fr), Jeumont (fr), Quévy (fr), Tourcoing (fr)

FIP facilities are valid on the following services, however local authorities are responsible for fares and conditions of use. Information should be obtained at ticket offices concerning validity of tickets bought with the FIP Card.

- TER (*Trains Express Régionaux*) trains operated by SNCF
- bus services operated by SNCF

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Global Fares apply for travel on *Lyria* services, and services between Belgium and the South of France.

On the following NOMAD routes only:

- Paris - Caen Cherbourg/Trouville Deauville
- Paris - Rouen Le Havre
- Paris - Granville
- Paris- Evreux Serquigny
- Caen - Le Mans - Tours

all tickets must be validated before starting any outward or return journey, and also before departure after a break of journey, using the endorsing machines (*compositeurs* or *compostage de billets*) provided for passengers at stations

This requirement to validate does not apply to use of FIP coupons.



*Compositeur*<sup>10</sup>

FIP discounted tickets may not be purchased on-board trains.

Upgrading from 2<sup>nd</sup> class to 1<sup>st</sup> class by payment of the difference in fares is available at station.

SNCF TGV services are branded as *TGV inOui*.

FIP travel facilities are **not valid** on

- services operated by *Ouigo*<sup>11</sup> which include OUIGO “Train Classique”, TGV OUIGO and TGV OUIGO Spain
- rail services in Corsica
- coach services provided by SNCF

### Mandatory seat reservations on SNCF services

<sup>10</sup> © RSTL

<sup>11</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-001/D7604INC

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Seat reservations are compulsory and supplements payable on *TGV* and most *Intercité* services.

[www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/tgv-inoui](http://www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/tgv-inoui)

[www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/intercites](http://www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/intercites)

Seat or berth reservations are also compulsory on night trains.

[www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/intercites/voyagez-de-nuit/](http://www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/intercites/voyagez-de-nuit/)

On TER services seat reservations are compulsory as follows:<sup>12</sup>

*Normandy TER NOMAD “Krono +” train services:*

- Paris – Rouen – Le Havre
- Paris – Caen – Cherbourg
- Paris – Caen
- Paris – Trouville-Deauville

*Nomandy TER NOMAD « Krono » train services:*

- Paris – Argentan – Granville
- Paris – Dieppe

[www.ter.sncf.com/normandie/tarifs-cartes/offre-krono-plus/tarification-kronoplus](http://www.ter.sncf.com/normandie/tarifs-cartes/offre-krono-plus/tarification-kronoplus)

*TER Grand Est*

- Line 1 : Paris – Troyes – Chaumont – Mulhouse
- Line 4 : Paris – Épernay – Châlons – Strasbourg

On these TER Grant Est routes, the reservation is compulsory where the journey starts or finishes in Paris. On any other journey segment, there is no compulsory reservation.

[www.ter.sncf.com/grand-est/services-contacts/reservation-a-bord](http://www.ter.sncf.com/grand-est/services-contacts/reservation-a-bord)

## Domestic journeys on TGV and IC services operated by SNCF

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<sup>12</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-001/D8690INC



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On SNCF domestic journeys (i.e. entirely within France), the reservation fee payable depends on whether the service is classified as peak or off-peak.

The designation of a train as peak or off-peak is made in the fares distribution system, so it is not possible for RST or individuals to check specific examples.

Seat reservations on off-peak services are €1.70 in either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> class (correct as of January 2024).

Seat reservations on peak services are €10.00 in 2<sup>nd</sup> class and €15.00 in 1<sup>st</sup> class (correct as of January 2024).

FIP discounted tickets bought for domestic TGV and IC services which have a mandatory seat requirement include the seat reservation.

The restrictions on the quantity of luggage each passenger may carry with them is outlined on the SNCF website here

[www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/tgv-inoui/vos-bagages-et-consignes/](http://www.sncf-voyageurs.com/fr/voyagez-avec-nous/en-france/tgv-inoui/vos-bagages-et-consignes/)

### **International journeys TGV services operated by SNCF**

On cross-border journeys on International TGV services, global fares apply. FIP coupons and the FIP International Senior Manager Free Pass are not valid for free travel on these journeys but can be used to purchase FIP discounted fares.

The FIP discounted fares vary by route but may be up to €130.00 (correct as of January 2024).

### **Travel in the Paris area**

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Île-de-France Mobilités (*ÎDF Mobilités*) is the authority that controls and coordinates different transport companies operating in the Paris-area including RATP (*Régie Autonome des Transports Parisiens*) and SNCF.

RATP operates Paris Métro (*Métro de Paris*), tram and bus services and part of the RER (*Réseau Express Régional*) network. SNCF operates the rest of the RER network.

### Transilien and Île-de-France tramways

Transilien is the branding identity covering the network of commuter services operated by SNCF in the Paris area.

FIP facilities are valid on all Transilien routes, H, J, K, L, N, P, R, U, and V.

FIP facilities are also valid on Tramway Line T4, T9, T11, and T13. However, if using FIP discounted tickets rather than FIP coupons or the International Senior Manager Free Pass, tickets can only be purchased at Transilien ticket offices at railway stations.

FIP facilities are not valid on the other Tramway Lines, T1, T2, T3, T5, T6, T7, T8, T10 and T12.

If using FIP Coupons or the FIP International Senior Manager Free Pass to travel on Transilien railway routes, you will need a *Contremarque de Passage* obtainable from the Transilien ticket office. The *Contremarque de Passage* is used for entry at the start of the journey and exit at the end.



[www.transilien.com/fr/page-lignes-et-gares](http://www.transilien.com/fr/page-lignes-et-gares)

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If using FIP discounted tickets with the FIP Card, these tickets can only be purchased at Transilien ticket offices at railway stations (including tickets for use on the tramway services).

### **RER (Réseau Express Régional)**

The SNCF, RER and RATP services in the Paris suburban area accept FIP travel facilities on the following stretches of line operated by SNCF:

- RER Line A – only branches A3 & A5 west from Nanterre Préfecture to Poissy or Cergy-le-Haut
- RER Line B – only branches B3 & B5 north from Gare du Nord to Aéroport Charles de Gaulle or Mitry-Claye.
- RER Line C – SNCF in its entirety.
- RER Line D – SNCF in its entirety.
- RER Line E – SNCF in its entirety.

Please note that if travelling between Gare du Nord and Chatelet les Halles, only RER Line D operated by SNCF can be used. FIP is not valid on RER Line B operated by RATP on the same route.

To get through automatic gates on these routes with an SNCF FIP coupon, you will need a *Contremarque de Passage* from the Transilien ticket office. The *Contremarque de Passage* is used for entry at the start of the journey and exit at the end.

### **Paris Metro (*Métro de Paris*)**

The *Métro de Paris* (short for *Métropolitain*) provides a metro rail service mostly underground in central Paris.

FIP facilities are not valid on any sections of the *Métro de Paris*.

### **Léman Express**

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The Léman Express is the network of international RER services operated jointly by SNCF and SBB-CFF linking the Haute Savoie and Ain districts to the canton of Vaud via the Geneva metropolitan area.

FIP facilities are available on the whole of the Léman Express network. SNCF coupons are valid for travel, even in the parts of the service which operate in Switzerland into Geneva.

### **Booking tickets and reservations for SNCF services**

Tickets and reservations may be obtained from the English-speaking SNCF Voyageurs Call Centre. Please note that payment is only by Visa or American Express cards. Mastercard and other payment cards are not accepted.

The telephone number is +33 1 84 94 36 35

- At the end of the menu options presented in French, there is the option to connect to an English-speaking operator – press #85.
- On the next voice menu. Select “Voyages/Journey” by pressing 1.
- On the next voice menu. Select “Voyages on TGV” by pressing 1.

You will then be in the queue to speak to an operator.

Please confirm the travel dates and times, the number of passengers holding FIP facilities (and whether coupons or FIP cards), and the origin and destination of your journey.

You will need to provide your telephone number, personal information and an e-mail address.

Payment is by Visa, Eurocard or American Express card only. The list of payment cards is subject to modification without notice. You should state the type of card you intend to use before starting the transaction with the agent.

Once the tickets/reservations are confirmed, you will receive a PNR (booking confirmation reference) by e-mail and the eTicket.

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When travelling by train, you will need to present the eTicket along with your FIP coupon or FIP card.

### Guidance notes for travel from London to Disneyland Paris

There are two main options to travel from London to Disneyland Paris. The station for Disneyland Paris is Marne-la-Vallée Chessy.

*Option 1 – Eurostar to Lille Europe, then TGV to Marne-la-Vallée Chessy.*

From London, take Eurostar to Lille Europe. Journey time around 1 hour 25 minutes.

Then take an Inoui TGV from Lille Europe or Lille Flandres to Marne-la-Vallée Chessy. Lille Flandres is a 10-minute walk from Lille Europe. Journey time around 1 hour 10 minutes.

Please remember that FIP is only valid on **Inoui** TGV services. FIP is not valid on **Ouigo** TGV services.

*Option 2 – Eurostar to Paris Gare du Nord. Then RER to Marne-la-Vallée Chessy.*

From London, take Eurostar to Paris Gare du Nord. Journey time around 2 hours 20 minutes.

Then take RER line B or D to Châtelet - Les Halles, change for RER line A to Marne-la-Vallée Chessy. Journey time approximately 1 hour 5 minutes. Adult single fare €2.50 (as of Jan 2025).

FIP is not valid on the RER Lines B or D from to Paris Gare du Nord to Châtelet - Les Halles, or RER line A from Châtelet - Les Halles to Marne-la-Vallée Chessy.

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### **Franchised TER passenger services in France**

French regional authorities have started a programme of inviting tenders to operate regional TER services currently provided by SNCF.

Tenders currently in the bidding process include Marseille – Toulon – Nice, and the Azur concession. The likely start date for the first concession is 2025.

No information is available yet on whether FIP facilities will be available on TER services once concessions are in operation.

### Germany – DB AG and BSB/VSU

The following carriers are relevant for Germany:

- DB AG – **Deutsche Bahn AG** (German Railways)
- BSB/VSU - **Bodensee-Schiffsbetriebe / Vereinigten Schifffahrtsunternehmen für den Bodensee und Rhein** (See entry for Lake Constance)
- THI – **THI Factory** operating Thalys services (see separate entry under Global Fares)

#### DB AG FIP facilities

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 14 are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare (but see the section below on free accompanying children). Persons aged 14 and older pay the adult fare.

#### Free accompanying children

DB AG have national travel discount rules for accompanying children (aged 6 to 13) to travel free with a FIP holder provided that the FIP holder is aged 15 or over and has a valid ticket or FIP permit to travel.<sup>13</sup>

Accompanied children taken free of charge do not have to be the children of the accompanying adult. This means that children travelling for free with an accompanied adult do not need to carry any kind of documentation.

#### On Long-Distance DB trains

Maximum 4 children per FIP traveller's ticket:

- FIP Discounted long-distance travel ticket with the FIP card
- FIP coupon
- FIP International Senior Manager free pass

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<sup>13</sup> Source:RST Ref:90-081-005/D8239INC

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These rules also apply if the long-distance ticket is used on local transport before or after the journey.

### ***On Local DB trains***

Maximum 3 children per FIP traveller's ticket:

- FIP Discounted local travel ticket with the FIP card
- FIP coupon
- FIP International Senior Manager free pass

The following applies to the travel tickets mentioned above:

- The accompanying children who are travelling free of charge do not have to be recorded on the ticket.
- Children who are not accompanied by persons over the age of 15 who are entitled to a travel concession must buy their own ticket.
- Children under the age of 6 continue to travel free of charge and do not need their own ticket.



DB service at Oberammergau <sup>14</sup>

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The table supplied by DB AG defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the DB AG railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which DB AG coupons are valid
CD	Bayerisch Eisenstein, Cheb (Gr), Furth I. Wald (Gr), Kraslice (Gr), Potůčky (Gr), Rumburk (Gr), Schöna (Gr), Sebnitz (Gr), Selb-Plößberg (Gr), Vejprty (Gr), Vojtanov (Gr), Waidhaus (Gr), Zittau (Gr)
CFL	Igel (Gr), Saarbrücken Hauptbahnhof, 'Hbf'
DSB	Flensburg (Gr), Rostock Seehafen Fähre (Scandlines), Puttgarden (MS), Tønder (Gr)
NS	Bad Bentheim (Gr), Emmerich (Gr), Gronau (Westf) (Gr), Herzogenrath (Gr), Venlo (Gr), Weener (Gr)
ÖBB	Kufstein, Lindau Reutin, Mittenwald (Gr), Passau Hbf, Salzburg Hbf, Simbach am Inn
PKP	Alhlbeck (Gr), Forst (Gr), Frankfurt (Oder) (Gr), Grambow (Gr), Gubin (Gr), Kostrzyn nad Odrą (Gr), Tantow (Gr), Zgorzelec (Gr)
SBB (including BLS and SP)	Basel Bad Bf, Konstanz, Schaffhausen, Waldshut
SJ	Lübeck-Travemünde Hafen, Lübeck-Travem, Skandinavienkai, Sassnitz (Gr)
SNCB	Aachen Süd (Gr)
SNCF	Apach (fr), Forbach (fr), Hanweiler (Gr), Kehl (Gr), Lauterbourg (Gr), Neuenburg (Baden) (Gr), Wissembourg (Gr)
THI	Aachen, Duisburg, Düsseldorf, Düsseldorf Airport, Essen, Köln
BSB	Friedrichshafen, Langenargen, Lindau, Konstanz, Radolfzell, Schaffhausen, Überlingen

Most long-distance services within Germany are provided by DB AG. No supplement is necessary for travel on ICE, EC and IC trains for holders of FIP coupons, the International Senior Manager Free Pass or FIP Card discounted tickets.

Seat reservation labels on DB AG services may display *ggf. reserviert*. This means that the seat has been set aside in the booking system for last minute reservations. The official advice is not to occupy the seat, but if you do, you will have to vacate it if a ticket holder has a reservation.

### Planning journeys on DB AG services

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When planning journeys, please look at the *Auslastungsanzeige* (i.e. **Loading Indicators**) at [www.bahn.de](http://www.bahn.de) and in the DB Navigator app. DB AG request you choose alternative services to those ones marked with *the red icon*.<sup>15</sup>

### Ticket purchase for DB AG services

FIP discounted tickets cannot be purchased on-board DB AG trains. This applies even when boarding a service from a station which has no open ticket office. FIP discounted tickets must be purchased in advance either from DB travel centres or travel agents.<sup>16</sup>

Those found on a train without a ticket will receive a penalty fare charge of double the fare (at least €60.00) for the route already covered plus the flex price for the distance to the destination station.

Ticket vending machines offer 50% discounted tickets for other German schemes such as *Bahncard*. These tickets are not valid with the FIP Card.<sup>17</sup>

In some areas of Germany a *Verkehrsverbund* (combined fares structure) is in operation. In many of these areas FIP coupons and FIP reduced rate tickets are not valid if your journey is entirely within the area concerned. There is no official list available to RSTL of which *Verkehrsverbund* areas accept FIP facilities. Local ticket offices will be able to advise.

### Restricted DB-AG trains

Some services are subject to staff restriction. *DB AG* publish a list here [db-mobidig.deutschebahn.com/md-home/Navigation/Sperrliste](http://db-mobidig.deutschebahn.com/md-home/Navigation/Sperrliste)

Where a train is listed on specific days then the ban on using FIP facilities applies on the days listed including public holidays.

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<sup>15</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-005/D8198INC

<sup>16</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-005/D8274INC

<sup>17</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-005/D7683INC

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Use of a restricted train is a Travel Irregularity, and the passenger is deemed to be holding no ticket for the recovery of fare revenue and application of penalty.

### **Special conditions**

For journeys on High Speed Services between Germany and France, special conditions of use apply.

- For journeys entirely within Germany, FIP facilities may be used without seat reservation.
- For cross border journeys, a global price ticket and seat reservation endorsed 'FIP Leisure' is required. The International Senior Manager Free Pass is valid, but FIP coupons are not valid. Children aged 6 – 14 must also have a ticket with inclusive seat reservation. No child reduction on the FIP discounted fare is available. For security reasons, luggage must be labelled with labels downloaded from [www.bahn.de](http://www.bahn.de).
- Cycles are not carried
- Luggage must be labelled with a luggage tag bearing the traveller's name. Tags are required for all luggage placed in the luggage compartments located at the end of each carriage, above and between the seats. This rule does not apply to hand luggage which is kept on the the traveller's person, such as handbags.

### **On Railjet services**

- holders of 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP facilities may use Economy Class
- holders of 1<sup>st</sup> class FIP facilities may use 1<sup>st</sup> class or Economy Class
- under no circumstances can Business Class be used by holders of any FIP facilities, even if the Business Class supplement is paid.

### **DB-ÖBB Eurocity München – Innsbruck – Verona - Bologna**

If using FIP free coupons on DB-ÖBB Eurocity services operated jointly by DB, ÖBB and FS via the trans-Alpine Brenner Railway (München – Innsbruck – Verona – Bologna):

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- a DB, ÖBB or FS coupon is required for travel in the country concerned
- for journeys which cross the Italian border, or entirely within Italy the supplement is payable even if the coupon is endorsed **No Supplement Necessary** or the holder has an International Senior Manager Free Pass
- for journeys between Austria and Germany, or entirely within Austria or Germany, no supplement is payable
- holders of a 1<sup>st</sup> class coupon not endorsed by a stamp stating **No Supplement Necessary** and travelling 1<sup>st</sup> class within Austria must purchase a seat reservation ticket or travel authority ticket

### Ferries

FIP discounted tickets are valid without restriction on the Harlesiel to Wengerooge ferry services.

FIP coupons and FIP discounted tickets are only valid on *Scandlines* ships in connection with a rail journey.

### DB-AG IC Coach services

FIP reduced rate tickets are available but must be purchased in advance from staffed booking offices. They cannot be bought from ticket vending machines or on-board coaches.

FIP coupons may be used but reservations must be paid for in advance from manned booking offices. FIP coupons must be held for the carrier concerned when the IC Coach service is on a foreign section of route outside of Germany.

For journeys within Germany, DB family travel rules apply and accompanied children aged 6 to 14 travel free. Reservations are required for all children, including those under 6 years old.

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For journeys on a foreign section of route outside of Germany, Children aged 6 to 14 must have a ticket and all children must have a reservation.

### DB-AG bus services

FIP facilities are accepted only where the bus provides a rail replacement service arising from operational occurrences such as accidents.

### Other operators

‘Global’ fares apply for travel on Thalys international services in France, Germany and the Netherlands. See **THI Factory – Thalys**.

FIP facilities are not available on other operators in Germany. This list of non-FIP operators comprises: <sup>18</sup>

Abbreviation	Operator
Abellio	Abellio Deutschland
AG	agilis Verkehrsgesellschaft mbH&Co KG
AKN	Altona-Kaltenkirchen-Neumünster Eisenbahn AG (AKN Eisenbahn AG)
ALX	Alex (Länderbahn)
AVG, S, E	Albtal-Verkehrs-Gesellschaft mbH
BLB	Berchtesgadener Land Bahn GmbH
BOB	Bodensee-Oberschwaben-Bahn GmbH&Co KG
BRB	Bayerische Regiobahn GmbH
BSB	Breisgau S-Bahn GmbH
CAN	cantus Verkehrsgesellschaft GmbH
CB, CBC	City-Bahn Chemnitz GmbH
DAB	Westerwaldbahn des Kreises Altenkirchen GmbH (Daadetalbahn)
DLB	Die Länderbahn GmbH
EB	Erfurter Bahn GmbH
ENO	enno (Metronom)
ERB	eurobahn (Keolis Deutschland GmbH&Co KG)
erixx	erixx GmbH
EVB	Eisenbahnen und Verkehrsbetriebe Elbe-Weser GmbH
FEG	Freiberger Eisenbahngesellschaft mbH
GA	Go Ahead
FLIX	Flixbus

<sup>18</sup> Information updated 2 June 2023. Source RST Ref: 90-081-005/D8520INC

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<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Operator</b>
HANS	Hanseatische Eisenbahn GmbH
HEX	Harz-Elbe-Express (Transdev Sachsen-Anhalt GmbH)
HLB	Hessische Landesbahn GmbH
HSB	Harzer Schmalspurbahn
HZL	Hohenzolleische Landesbahn GmbH
ME	metronom Eisenbahngesellschaft mbH
M	Meridian
Molli	Mecklenburgische Bäderbahn Molli GmbH
MRB	Mitteldeutsche Regiobahn (Transdev Regio Ost GmbH)
NBE	Nordbahn Eisenbahngesellschaft GmbH & Co. KG
NEB	Niederbarnimer Eisenbahn
NEG	Norddeutsche Eisenbahngesellschaft Niebüll GmbH
NEX	National Express Rail GmbH
NWB	NordWestBahn GmbH
ODEG	Ostdeutsche Eisenbahn GmbH
OPB	Oberpfalzbahn (Länderbahn)
OSB	Ortenau S-Bahn GmbH
PEG	Prignitzer Eisenbahn GmbH
Press	Rügensche Bäderbahn (Rasender Roland)
RBE	Rheinisch-Bergische Eisenbahn (Transdev Rheinland GmbH)
RBG	Regentalbahn Betriebs-GmbH
RNV	Rhein-Neckar-Verkehr GmbH
Rtb	Ruhrthalbahn GmbH
SBB	SBB Deutschland GmbH
SBS	Städtebahn Sachsen GmbH
Start	Regionalverkehre Start Deutschland GmbH
STB	Süd Thüringen Bahn GmbH
STR 66	66 SWB Bonn Verkehrs GmbH
SWEG	Südwestdeutsche Landesverkehrs-AG (Regionalbahn Ortenau, Regionalbahnen Ortenau Zell, Verkehrsbetriebe Breisgau-Kaiserstuhl, Verkehrsbetrieb Breisgau-Staufen)
TL, TLX	Trilex (Länderbahn)
TR	trans regio Deutsche Regionalbahn GmbH (MittelrheinBahn)
VBG	Vogtlandbahn GmbH (Länderbahn)
VEN	Rhenus Veniro GmbH&Co KG
VIA	VIAS GmbH
vlexx	vlexx GmbH (Länderbahn )
WBA	Waldbahn (Länderbahn)
WEG	WEG Württembergische Eisenbahn-Gesellschaft GmbH (Nebenbahn Korntal-Weissach, Nebenbahn Nürtingen-Neuffen, Schönbuchbahn, Wieslaufbahn)
WFB	WestfalenBahn GmbH

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### Greece – Hellenic Train, Attica

The following carriers are relevant for Greece

- Hellenic Train (formerly TrainOSE)
- Attica – **Superfast Ferries, Blue Star Ferries, Hellenic Seaways and Anek Lines**

#### ***Hellenic Train FIP facilities***

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The table supplied by Hellenic Train defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the Hellenic Train railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which Hellenic Train coupons are valid
BDZ	Kulata (fr), Svilengrad (fr)
ŽRSM	Gevgelija (fr)
TCDD	Pythion (Greek: Πύθιο), (also known as Pythio)
Attica	Patras [>Ancona, >Bari]

Supplements are payable by holders of FIP coupons and FIP discounted tickets for travel on IC services. The full supplement is payable by children between the ages of 4 and 12.

FIP facilities are **not valid** on the Pelion railway from Volos to Pelion<sup>19</sup>

FIP facilities are accepted on bus services operated by Hellenic Train.

FIP free and discounted travel facilities are valid on Hellenic Train suburban services without restriction.

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<sup>19</sup> Source: RST Ref:90-081-019/D8171INC

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FIP discounted tickets can be purchased at Hellenic Train ticket offices, via the Hellenic Train official website and via the Hellenic Train mobile app.

FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased on-board trains if arriving into Greece and continuing a journey in the same train which crossed the frontier, or when starting a journey at a station where the ticket office is unstaffed.

Break of journey is not permitted.

### ***Attica FIP facilities***

Children under 4 years of age who do not occupy a bed, bunk or chair pay €5.50 per crossing.

On services to and from Ancona and Venice, children between 4 and 16 pay 50% of the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

On services to and from Bari, children between 4 and 12 pay 50% of the adult fare selected. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The table supplied by Attica defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the Attica ferry routes.

<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Ancona-Patras	Ancona Patras	FS TrainOSE
Ancona-Igoumenitsa	Ancona	FS
Bari-Patras	Bari Patras	FS TrainOSE
Bari-Igoumenitsa	Bari	FS
Venice – Patris	Venice Patras	
Venice - Igoumenitsa	Venice	



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<p>All internal Aegean Sea routes operated by Blue Star Ferries, Hellenic Seaways, and Anek Lines:</p> <p>Piraeus-Paros-Naxos-Santorini-Anafi-Amorgos-Ios-Iraklia-Schinoussa-Koufonissi-Donoussa-Syros-Tinos-Mykonos</p> <p>Piraeus-Rhodes-Kos-Leros-Patmos-Kalymnos-Astypalaia-Tilos-Nisyros-Kastellorizo-Symi-Lipsi-Karpathos-Kasos-Chalki;</p> <p>Piraeus-Chios-; Lesvos-Ikaria-Fourni-Samos-Lemnos-Psara-Kavala-Thessaloniki</p> <p>Piraeus-Heraklion-Chania-Sitia (Crete)</p> <p>Piraeus-Aegina-Agistri-Ermioni-Hydra-Poros-Porto Heli-Spetses</p> <p>Lavrio-Kea-Kythnos-Syros-Paros-Naxos-Ios-Sikinos-Folegandros- Kimolos-Milos-Sifnos-Serifos-Tinos- Andros</p>		
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FIP discounted travel only is available on Attica Ferries routes between Italy and Greece and on domestic ferry routes in the Aegean.

For *Superfast Ferries* use **Attica Ferries Bari Form 90030** or **Attica Ferries Ancona form 90031**. [www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/forms.html#other](http://www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/forms.html#other)

**Aegean routes** – No reductions are granted in July and August.

On international routes

- there is no distinction in the facilities available to holders of 1<sup>st</sup> class and 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP travel facilities.
- cabins are available at 50% reduction. Book at the Purser’s office.

On internal (domestic) ferry journeys on Blue Star Ferries:

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- holders of 1<sup>st</sup> class tickets are eligible for reclining chairs
- holders of 2<sup>nd</sup> class tickets are eligible for deck facilities.
- cabins are available at 25% reduction. Book at the Purser's office.

Registration at the port office is mandatory, tickets may not be purchased on-board.

No reduction is granted for the conveyance of vehicles.

FIP facilities are not available on other Attica subsidiaries including *Africa Morocco Link*.

### **Attica agents in the UK recognising FIP facilities**

#### **The Travel Gateway**

2morrow Court, Appleford Road, Sutton Courtenay, Oxon OX14 4FH

Tel: +44 (0) 8445 765503

[ttgateway@superfast.com](mailto:ttgateway@superfast.com)

#### **Viamare LTD**

Suite 108, 582 Honeypot Lane Stanmore, Middlesex HA7 1JS

Tel: +44 (0)208 206 3420

[dale.meyer@viamare.com](mailto:dale.meyer@viamare.com)

### **Attica agents in Greece recognising FIP facilities**

Adriatic Sea route agents:

[www.superfast.com/en-gb/premium-sales-agents](http://www.superfast.com/en-gb/premium-sales-agents)

Greek Domestic Lines agents:

[www.bluestarferries.com/en-gb/network](http://www.bluestarferries.com/en-gb/network)

FIP reservations are possible through Premium Sales agents or Port Agents.

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Alternatively, FIP card holders may book via e-mail at: [helpdesk@attica-group.com](mailto:helpdesk@attica-group.com) or [helpdesk@attica-group.com](mailto:helpdesk@attica-group.com) or by phoning the Call Centre in Athens: +30 210 8919800 or +30210 8919700.<sup>20</sup>

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<sup>20</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-085-009/D8375INC

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### Hungary – MÁV, GySEV

The following carriers are relevant for Hungary:

- MÁV – **Magyar Államvasutak** (Hungarian State Railways)
- GySEV – **Győr-Sopron-Ebenfurti Vasút** (Győr-Sopron-Ebenfurti Railway) operating services in Western Hungary and also in South East Austria (known as **Raaberbahn**)

#### **MÁV FIP facilities**

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free (providing a separate seat is not required <sup>21</sup>). Children up to 14 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 14 and older pay the adult fare.

On international journeys children under 10 years of age cannot travel without an adult. <sup>22</sup> Children aged 10 years and above must have a signed Parental Declaration (available from the RSTL website<sup>23</sup>). MÁV is not responsible for children travelling alone. Parents are responsible for all damages caused by the child. If a child is found travelling without an adult and without a Parental Declaration, the authorities will be informed.

The table supplied by MÁV defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the MÁV railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which MÁV coupons are valid
CFR	Biharkeresztes (fr), Curtici (Gr), Nyirábrány (Gr), Salonta (Gr)
GySEV	Győr (German: Raab), Hegyeshalom, Porpác, Zalaszentiván
HŽ	Koprivnica (Gr), Kotoriba (Gr), Magyarbóly (Gr)
ÖBB	Hegyeshalom (Gr)
SV	Röszke (Gr), Subotica (Gr)
SŽ	Hodos (Gr)
UZ (Ukraine)	Záhony (Gr)
ŽSR	Bánréve (Gr), Čaňa (Gr), Fil'akovo (Gr), Komárom (Gr), Sátoralújhely (Gr), Szob (Gr)

<sup>21</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-023/D7968INC

<sup>22</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-023/D7968INC

<sup>23</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-023/D7969INC

## **Rail Staff Travel. Travel in Europe using FIP facilities**

For international journeys tickets and reservations cannot be issued more than 6 months before the first day of validity.

For domestic journeys with FIP discount, the presale period is 60 days.<sup>24</sup>

Changes (refund and new ticket sale) to international tickets purchased at ticket offices in Hungary can only be made on the same day as purchase and at the same station.

FIP facilities on MÁV domestic services are subject to the following supplements and reservation charges.

- Supplement charge (for reservation compulsory trains).
- Supplement for a premium compartment
- Bicycle reservations

The price of the supplement is dependent on the date of travel and the date of purchase of the ticket.

On cross-border journeys in compulsory supplement international trains:

- holders may occupy empty seats without paying for a reservation or pay the seat reservation charge to secure a seat.
- a supplement is payable unless the coupons are endorsed “no supplement necessary”.

FIP facilities are not available on MÁV bus services unless they are providing rail replacement services.

Surcharges apply to the following transactions on board a train:

- Buying FIP discounted tickets
- Upgrading from 2<sup>nd</sup> class to 1<sup>st</sup> class

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<sup>24</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-023/D8129INC

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Change of route is not possible on board a train. It is only available at a ticket office before starting a journey. The original ticket will be invalid, and a surcharge will be applied to purchase the new ticket.<sup>25</sup>

Supplements and reservation charges are payable in Forint (HUF). Euro/Forint conversion rates are published in international ticket offices and on the company website.<sup>26</sup>

Payments in cash are rounded to the nearest 5 Forint (HUF).<sup>27</sup>

Break of Journey is permitted without formality.

FIP facilities are valid

- between Szeged and Hódmezővásárhely (advertised as *TramTrain*)
- on the Balatonfenyves GV narrow-gauge railway line



Budapest Keleti (east) railway station designed by Gyula Rochlitz and János Feketeházy and constructed between 1881 and 1884<sup>28</sup>

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<sup>25</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-023/D7968INC

<sup>26</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-023/D8129INC



<sup>27</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-023/D8292INC

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## Bicycles

Bicycles (excluding those with auxiliary motors, recumbent bicycles and those with cycle trailers) can be carried only on trains which are designated for this purpose and marked with a bicycle sign in the timetable.<sup>29</sup> Tandems can only be transported in a luggage van which is equipped for bicycle transport. Bicycle tickets must be purchased in advance.

	Timetable	Factual /Estimated	Platform	Information	Train ⓘ	Services
<a href="#">Budapest-Keleti</a>	18:30		12		5508 (S87) (- Eger)	0 2.   ◆ Budapest-Keleti - Hatvan ❄ @
<a href="#">Hatvan</a>	19:44		4			

*Example MÁV timetable showing the bicycle sign in the Services column.*

Foldable bicycles are carried without fee as hand luggage only if folded and wrapped and can be stored in a luggage rack or under a seat. It cannot be left in a corridor or where it may disturb free movement. Passengers leaving a bicycle in an area in contravention of this will be excluded from the train.

## Dogs and small pets

Each adult may carry two dogs or small pets. Dogs must be either in a closed pet transport container, or on a lead with a muzzle. All dogs must have a certificate of vaccination not older than 1 year.

If transporting a dog or small pet in a closed pet container, then carriage is free. If transporting a dog on a lead, then the animal transport fee must be paid. The only exception is an assistance dog with an official certificate.

With the exception of assistance dogs, animals are not allowed in any first class coach or restaurant car. Those not in closed containers are not allowed in any car or train with compulsory reservation. Dogs over 20kg can only be carried in the luggage van.

<sup>29</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-023/D7968INC

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## **MÁV smartphone app**

MAV provides FIP discounted facilities through their mobile app called **MÁV**.

The default language is Hungarian. You can change to English. Go to Menu > Choose **Beállítások** (settings) > Choose **Nyelv** (language) > Choose **English** (pop up) > Click in OK in the new pop up to restart the MÁV application

When purchasing a ticket, a code will be sent to activate the ticket. The code is not valid for travel. The ticket must be generated from the code.

Mobile tickets valid only for domestic journeys are acceptable only within the application (i.e. you cannot print out the booking – you must display it within the app). Tickets purchased through the app do not contain the usual FIP protections so may not be changeable or refundable.

Mobile tickets valid for international journeys may be displayed in the app or printed out on A4 paper by the passenger.

Refunds of international tickets are only possible in writing from MAV Customer Service.<sup>30</sup>

## ***GySEV FIP facilities***

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 14 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 14 and older pay the adult fare. *(Note the ages for children are different on GySEV services operated in Austria – see the Austrian section.)*

FIP discounted tickets may not be purchased on-board.

In the event of a break of journey, tickets must be endorsed at the station where the break is made.

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<sup>30</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-023/D8129INC



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FIP facilities are not valid on GySEV bus services.

The following table supplied by GySEV defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the GySEV railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Lines	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers	Neighbouring Transport Carriers
Győr – Sopron – Ebenfurth	Győr	MÁV
	Sopron	ÖBB [> Wiener Neustadt] ÖBB [> Deutschkreutz]
	Wulkaprodersorf	ÖBB
	Ebenfurth	ÖBB
Sopron – Szombathely	Sopron	ÖBB [> Wiener Neustadt] ÖBB [> Deutschkreutz]
Szombathely – Szentgotthárd	Szentgotthárd (Gr)	ÖBB
Szombathely - Zalaszentiván	Zalaszentiván	MÁV
Szombathely – Csorna – Hegyeshalom	Porpác	MÁV
Szombathely – Csorna – Hegyeshalom	Hegyeshalom	MÁV [> Győr] MÁV [>Hegyeshalom]
	Hegyeshalom – Rajka	Hegyeshalom
Fertőszentmiklós – Pamhagen – Neusiedl am See	Rajka (Gr)	ŽSR
	Neusiedl am See	ÖBB

In addition to the boundary table above, GySEV have confirmed that GySEV FIP coupons are valid on their services in Austria which operate between Deutschkreuz and Wien (Vienna).<sup>31</sup>

<sup>31</sup> Source: RST Ref:90-081-023/D8332INC

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### Ireland – CIE

The following carrier is relevant to the Republic of Ireland

- CIE - **Córas Iompair Éireann** (Irish Transport System)

Passenger train services on which CIE FIP facilities are valid are provided by Iarnród Éireann (Irish Rail).

For public fares, children up to 5 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by CIE defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the CIE railway network.

Line	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carrier	Neighbouring Transport Carrier
Dublin – Dundalk – Belfast	Dundalk	NIR

If using FIP Coupons for free travel on the *Enterprise* service to Northern Ireland, then both CIE and NIR coupons must be held.

With FIP coupons you must not use Citygold class (Peak hour services between Dublin and Cork).

Holders of 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP facilities may travel in 1<sup>st</sup> class on payment of the Superstandard supplement. In some large stations this can be paid before departure, in other cases it has to be paid on the train.

The holder of 1<sup>st</sup> class FIP coupons only has to pay the 1<sup>st</sup> class supplement if a seat reservation is required.

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You can pay the supplement at [www.irishrail.ie](http://www.irishrail.ie). To make a seat reservation or purchase an upgrade, choose the Seat Reservation button, which is called 'Free Travel Pass or Valid Ticket'.<sup>32</sup>



A CIE commuter service crosses Laytown viaduct, County Meath<sup>33</sup>

FIP reduced rate tickets must be endorsed at the station where a break of journey is made.

FIP facilities are valid on DART suburban services in the Greater Dublin Area.

FIP facilities are **not valid** on

- the Dublin light rail network (LUAS)
- buses

### **Non-FIP benefits available to Staff Travel Card holders.**

Safeguarded staff with a Staff Travel Card may buy reduced rate tickets.

Non-safeguarded holders of Rail Staff Leisure Cards cannot use this to buy reduced rate tickets but can use an FIP card.

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<sup>32</sup> Source 90-081-010/D9143INC

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## Italy – FS

The following carrier is relevant to Italy:

- FS - **Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane** (Italian State Railways) <sup>34</sup>

*Trenitalia*, a subsidiary of Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane, operates the passenger rail services on which FS FIP facilities are valid. This includes local services operated by *Trenitalia TPER* in the Emilia-Romagna region.

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. On local trains children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare. On long distance trains, children up to 15 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 15 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by FS defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the FS railway network.

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which FS coupons are valid
ÖBB	Brennero/Brenner, San Candido/Innichen, Tarvisio Boscoverde
SBB (including BLS and SP)	Chiasso, Domodossola [ > Locarno], Iselle transito [ > Brig], Pino transito, Porto Ceresio [ > Lugano]
SNCF	Limone-Confine, Modane (fr), Piene (fr), Ventimiglia (fr)
ŠZ	Nova Gorica (fr), Villa-Opicina (fr)
Attica	Ancona [>Igoumenitsa, >Patras], Bari [>Igoumenitsa, >Patras]

On long-distance services (i.e. *Frecciabianca*, *Frecciarossa*, *Frecciargento*, *EC*, *EN*, *IC*, *ICN*):

- With FIP coupons, seat reservations are compulsory and supplements are payable
- With FIP discounted tickets, seat reservation and supplements are included in the fare.
- Break of journey is not permitted.

<sup>34</sup> Passenger services on which FS FIP facilities are valid are provided by *Trenitalia*, a subsidiary of FS.

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If supplements or boarding fees are not purchased before the start of journey an additional on-train fee is levied (except in cases where there are no booking offices or ticket machines at the departure station).

There is no restriction or supplement for use of FIP coupons on R or RV services.

Passengers holding FIP discounted tickets travelling on R or RV services may break their journey without formality except where the train(s) on which the ticket is valid are printed on the ticket.

Tickets must be validated using at station stamping equipment (*obliteratrici*) before travel.

FIP facilities are only valid to cross the Straits of Messina when the journey is on the train using the Villa San Giovanni to Messina train-ferry.



*Obliteratrici*<sup>35</sup>

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<sup>35</sup> Photograph © RSTL

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*Train ferry at Villa San Giovanni* <sup>36</sup>

Global fares are payable for travel on the night services between Italy and Austria via Tarvisio.

FIP facilities are **not valid** on:

- International *Frecciarossa* services between Paris and Italy
- *Leonardo Express* services to/from Aeroporto Internazionale di Roma–Fiumicino *Leonardo da Vinci*
- *Trinacria Express* services to/from Aeroporto Falcone Borsellino (Palermo)
- services provided by other operators in Italy (including open-access operator *Nuovo Trasporto Viaggiatori* and commuter railways of Naples: *Circumflegrea*, *Circumvesuviana*, *Cumana*, and *Naples–Aversa*)
- *Ferrovie Sud Est* services in Puglia<sup>37</sup>
- R and RE services operated by *Trenord* (even if trains have FS markings)

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<sup>37</sup> Source: RST Ref:90-081-008/D8374INC

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- Bus services operated by Trenitalia (unless providing a temporary rail replacement service)

### DB-ÖBB Eurocity München – Innsbruck – Bolzano – Venezia

If using FIP free coupons on DB-ÖBB Eurocity services operated jointly by DB, ÖBB and FS via the trans-Alpine Brenner Railway (München – Innsbruck – Bolzano – Verona - Venezia):

- a DB, ÖBB or FS coupon is required for travel in the country concerned
- for journeys which cross the Italian border, or entirely within Italy the supplement is payable even if the coupon is endorsed **No Supplement Necessary** or when using an International Senior Manager Free Pass
- for journeys between or entirely within Austria and Germany, no supplement is payable
- holders of a 1<sup>st</sup> class coupon not endorsed by a stamp stating **No Supplement Necessary** and travelling 1<sup>st</sup> class within Austria must purchase a seat reservation ticket or travel authority ticket

### Sardinia

FIP travel facilities are valid on *Trenitalia* services in Sardinia.

FIP travel facilities are not valid on *Azienda Regionale Sarda Trasporti* (ARST) services.<sup>38</sup>

### How to book seat reservations on FS trains if using FIP coupons

For FIP Coupon holders travelling on leisure journeys, reservations and supplements can be purchased in Trenitalia tickets offices and in all authorised travel agencies (including those operating outside Italy) with the following conditions:<sup>39</sup>

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<sup>38</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-008/D8367INC

<sup>39</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-008/D7656INC

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### ***Frecciarossa trains with 4 service levels:***

- No FIP facilities in “Business” or “Executive” service level
- 1<sup>st</sup> class FIP ticket can access “Premium” service level
- 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP ticket can access “Standard” service level
- Customers need to buy “Cambio Servizio TO/AV” (upgrade from base tariff to HS) ticket for the relevant service level. Price depends on route

### ***Frecciarossa and Frecciargento (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> class):***

- Buy a “Cambio Servizio TO/AV” (upgrade from base tariff to HS) ticket for the relevant class. Price depends on route

### ***Frecciabianca:***

- Buy a “Cambio Servizio TO/FB” (upgrade from base tariff to Frecciabianca) ticket for the relevant class. Price depends on route

### ***IC:***

- Buy a “Cambio Servizio TO/IC” (upgrade from base tariff to IC) ticket for the relevant class. Price depends on route

### ***ICN (seat places):***

- Buy a “Cambio Servizio TO/ICN” (upgrade from base tariff to IC) ticket for the relevant class. Price depends on route

### ***Couchette:***

- Buy a “Cambio Servizio Cuccetta” (upgrade to couchette) ticket. Price depends on route

### ***Wagon Lit:***

- Buy a “Cambio Servizio VL” (upgrade to wagon lit) ticket. Price depends on route

### ***Express trains (seat places):***

- Free access without seat assignment or buy a non-refundable reservation for a fixed price (as of 2019 this is €3.00)



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### ***Regional trains:***

- free access

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### Kosovo

Kosovo is the subject of a territorial dispute between the Republic of Kosovo and the Republic of Serbia. The Republic of Kosovo unilaterally declared independence on 17 February 2008, but the Republic of Serbia continues to claim it as part of its own sovereign territory.

Serbian Railways (Srbija Voz) has in the past operated services on the routes now controlled by Trainkos a (Albanian: *Operimet me Trena të Hekurudhave të Kosovës sh.a*).

Due to the political situation, RSTL is unable to verify whether Srbija Voz (SV) FIP facilities are still available within Kosovo.

In the FIP rules, Srbija Voz (SV) still claim an FIP border with Macedonian Railways (MŽ-T) at Elez Han (formerly *Đjeneral Jankovic* - Serbian: *Ђенерал Јанковић*, Albanian: *Han i Elezit*), which is in the Republic of Kosovo. However, this appears to be an historic statement which may not be updated until the Republic of Serbia formally accepts the independence of the Republic of Kosovo.

Trainkos is not a member of FIP.

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### Lake Constance Ferries

Lake Constance (German: *Bodensee*) is situated in Germany, Switzerland and Austria.

#### ***BSB/VSU FIP facilities***

Coupons are issued under the VSU label and provide free passenger travel on all timetabled shipping services on Lake Constance on the following companies:

- BSB (Bodensee-Schiffsbetriebe GmbH)
- VLB (Vorarlberg Lines Walter Klaus Bodenseeschiffahrt GmbH)
- SBS (Schweizerische SBS Schifffahrt AG)
- URh (Schweizerische Schifffahrtsgesellschaft Untersee und Rhein)

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

The table supplied by BSB defines the boundaries of FIP across the services operated under the VSU label.

<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Konstanz – Meersburg – Friedrichshafen – Lindau – Bregenz	Konstanz	DB AG, SP (THURBO)
	Friedrichshafen, Lindau	DB AG
	Bregenz	ÖBB
Konstanz – Meersburg – Überlingen	Konstanz	DB AG, SP (THURBO)
	Überlingen	DB AG
Kreuzlingen Hafen – Konstanz – Reichenau – Stein am Rhein – Schaffhausen	Kreuzlingen Hafen	SP (THURBO)
	Konstanz	DB AG, SP (THURBO)
	Stein am Rhein	SBB, SP (THURBO)
	Schaffhausen	DB AG, SP (THURBO), SBB
Kreuzlingen Hafen – Konstanz – Reichenau – Radolfzell	Kreuzlingen Hafen	SP (THURBO)
	Konstanz	DB AG, SP (THURBO)
	Radolfzell	DB AG
Friedrichshafen – Romanshorn	Friedrichshafen	DB AG
	Romanshorn	SBB, SP (SOB, THURBO)

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<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Lindau – Rorschach Hafen – Arbon – Langenargen - Friedrichshafen	Lindau, Langenargen, Friedrichshafen	DB AG
	Rorschach	SBB, SP (RHB)
	Arbon	SBB
Rorschach Hafen – Horn Arbon – Romanshorn – Kreuzlingen Hafen – Mainau Island	Rorschach	SBB, SP (RHB)
	Horn, Arbon	SBB
	Romanshorn	SBB, SP (SOB, THURBO)
	Kreuzlingen Hafen	SP (THURBO)

There is no 1<sup>st</sup> class accommodation.

There is no reduction for vehicles between Friedrichshafen and Romanshorn.

Tickets may be purchased at ticket offices on land and on-board ships.

The full standard public fare for bicycles is payable.

Break of journey is permitted without formality.

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## Liechtenstein

The passenger rail service in Liechtenstein is operated by Austrian railway company ÖBB. ÖBB FIP facilities are valid on ÖBB services in Liechtenstein.

The following table supplied by ÖBB defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ÖBB railway network relevant to Liechtenstein.

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which ÖBB coupons are valid
SBB	Buchs SG

Please see **Austria – ÖBB** for using FIP facilities on their services.

FIP coupons from SBB, BLS and SP are not valid on rail services in Liechtenstein.



Buchs SG railway station <sup>40</sup>

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### Lithuania – LTG-Link

The following carrier is relevant to Lithuania:

- LTG-Link - **Lietuvos geležinkeliai**

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which LTG-Link coupons are valid
PKP	Mockava

We have no information on ages for children to benefit from child fares.

A seat reservation is mandatory for these routes:

- Vilnius - Klaipėda - Vilnius
- Vilnius - Riga - Vilnius

For all 1st class trains on local routes, reservation is required, but seat reservation is made without additional fees.

During the journey, the train ticket issued by UAB "LTG Link" entitling to a 100% discount must be carried and the FIP discount card must be presented upon request of the train/control staff.

#### ***Ticket purchase in Lithuania***

FIP discounted tickets can be obtained from the LTG Link Customer Information Centre ([informacija@ltglink.lt](mailto:informacija@ltglink.lt)) or from the centres at Vilnius, Kaunas, Šiauliai and Klaipėda railway stations.

UAB "LTG Link" Customer Information Center: Opening hours: weekdays 06:00-20:00 CET (Central European Time).

Tickets are not sold if there is less than 5 minutes before the departure time.

When contacting the UAB "LTG Link" Customer Information Center via the above-mentioned contacts, you must provide the following information:

- First name, last name of the traveler(s)

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- Indication of the carriage class as printed on the FIP discount card
- FIP discount card number
- Railway company for which the traveler(s) works or is (are) entitled to discounts according to the FIP regulations
- Your e-mail address

After receiving your data, the Customer Information Center will send you an electronic train ticket by e-mail. Please note the opening hours of the Customer Information Center.



LG class 575 <sup>41</sup>

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### Luxembourg – CFL

The following carrier is relevant to Luxembourg:

- CFL - **Société nationale des chemins de fer luxembourgeois**  
(National Railway Company of Luxembourg)

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare (*but see below for general public free travel*).

The following table supplied by CFL defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the CFL railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the Glossary.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which CFL coupons are valid
DB AG	Igel (Gr)
SNCB	Athus, Gouvy (fr), Sterpenich (fr)
SNCF	Bettembourg (fr), Rodange (fr)

Luxembourg offers free public transport for domestic journeys. This includes the Pfaffenthal-Kirchberg funicular.

On train, travel is free in 2<sup>nd</sup> class.

On train, travel in 1<sup>st</sup> class requires either a 1<sup>st</sup> class CFL FIP coupon or if travelling with a FIP card the upgrade on the FIP fare. The upgrade must be paid in advance of boarding the train.



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### Montenegro – ŽPCG

The following carrier is relevant to Montenegro:

- ŽPCG - Жељезнички превоз Црне Горе or **Željeznički prevoz Crne Gore** (Railway Transport of Montenegro)

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 14 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 14 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by ŽPCG defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ŽPCG railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which ŽPCG coupons are valid
SV	Bijelo Polje (Gr) (Montenegrin Cyrillic: Бијело Поље)

FIP discounted tickets may be purchased on train, but a supplement will be payable. No supplement is charged when the journey starts at a station with no booking office.

Berth reservations in international sleeper trains incur a 10% service tax.

Holders of FIP Coupons must pay a supplement for travel on trains which are priced with Global Fares. The FIP discount is applied to global fare tickets for holders of the FIP Card.

Break of journey is allowed during the validity of the ticket.

Charges apply to the transport of luggage. Enquiries should be made at a station booking office before boarding a train.

FIP facilities are valid on rail replacement buses, but not valid on any other bus services operated by ŽPCG.

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## Netherlands – NS

The following carriers are relevant to the Netherlands:

- NS - **Nederlandse Spoorwegen** (Netherlands Railways)
- EIL – **Eurostar International** (see separate entry)
- THI – **THI Factory** operating Thalys services (see separate entry)

For public fares, the ages for child fares are as follows:

- All children up to 3 years old travel free (if not occupying a seat themselves)<sup>42</sup>
- For children up to 11 years old, the Railrunner ticket is usually better value than an FIP 50% discount on the public adult fare.
- Persons aged 11 and older pay the public adult fare

In 2<sup>nd</sup> class children can travel independently with a Railrunner-ticket. In 1<sup>st</sup> class children can travel if accompanied by an adult aged 18 or over (each accompanying adult can take 3 children with them, each with their own Railrunner). A Railrunner ticket can be purchased online or from a ticket machine. More information on Railrunner:

[www.ns.nl/producten/en/meest-gekocht/p/railrunner](http://www.ns.nl/producten/en/meest-gekocht/p/railrunner)

The following table supplied by NS defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the NS railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which NS coupons are valid
DB AG	Bentheim (Gr), Emmerich (Gr), Herzagenrath (Gr), Venlo (Gr), Weener (Gr)
SNCB	Roosendaal (fr), Visé
THI	Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Schiphol

NS FIP facilities are **not valid** on

- the *Hoekse Lijn* from Hoek van Holland to Schiedam Centrum, on either the bus or metro system

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<sup>42</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-003/D7569INC

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- other operators' services (e.g. Arriva Netherlands, Breng, Connexion, Keolis Nederland, Qbuzz, and Abellio Rail NRW)
- Thalys international services to Belgium and France
- Eurostar international services to Belgium and the UK



NS service from Amsterdam to The Hague near the mill in Lisse <sup>43</sup>

In International express trains (designated 'D' in the Netherlands timetable), holders of FIP reduced rate tickets must pay a supplement which may be settled on the train. (No supplement is payable if using FIP coupons).

From Amsterdam Airport Schiphol to Rotterdam:

[www.ns.nl/en/season-tickets/other/intercity-direct-supplement.html](http://www.ns.nl/en/season-tickets/other/intercity-direct-supplement.html)

- Supplements are payable on FIP reduced rate tickets.
- No supplement is payable if you are using FIP free coupons.

### EC Bruxelles – Rotterdam – Amsterdam – Lelystad

On both the *Eurocity Direct ECD* and *Eurocity EC* services on this route, the NS supplement is payable if travelling between Rotterdam – Schiphol.

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If travelling using FIP discounted tickets, then the ticket prices are different for *Eurocity Direct ECD* and *Eurocity EC* and are not interchangeable.

### Ticket purchase in the Netherlands

FIP discounted tickets cannot be bought on train.<sup>44</sup>

FIP discounted tickets cannot be bought on train.<sup>45</sup> FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased at full service and full-service light stations with ticket desks.<sup>46</sup> As of December 2023 these are:

Amsterdam Centraal	Eindhoven Centraal	Rotterdam Centraal
Amsterdam Sloterdijk	Enschede	Schiphol Airport
Amsterdam Zuid	Haarlem	Utrecht Centraal
Arnhem Centraal	Leeuwarden	Zaandam
Breda	Leiden Centraal	Zwolle
Den Haag Centraal	Maastricht	

### NS gate pass barcode coupons for FIP coupon holders

FIP coupon holders are issued with a NS gate pass barcode coupon for opening barriers at NS stations. The following information has been provided by NS.<sup>47</sup>

The NS gate pass barcode coupon is valid only in combination with an FIP country coupon for NS. It is a gate pass, not a travel pass.

It is valid for use on 8 separate days (00:00 to 23:59) within a 3-month period from the date of first use. The first presentation at a gate sets the start date.

Within each day:

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<sup>44</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-003/D7569INC

<sup>45</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-003/D7569INC

<sup>46</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-003/D8583INC

<sup>47</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-003/D7550INC

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- you can enter 6 times and exit 6 times at the same station
- you can enter 12 times and exit 12 times nationally in total

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### North Macedonia – ŽRSM

The following carrier is relevant to the Republic of North Macedonia:

- ŽRSM - **Železnici na Republika Severna Makedonija** (Railways of the Republic of North Macedonia)

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by ŽRSM defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ŽRSM railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which ŽRSM coupons are valid
TrainOSE	Gevgelija (fr) (Macedonian: <i>Гевгелуја</i> )
SV <sup>48</sup>	Đjeneral Jankovic (Gr) (now <i>Elez Han</i> - Serbian: <i>Ђенерал Јанковић</i> , Albanian: <i>Han i Elezit</i> ) <sup>49</sup> , Tabanovci (Gr) (Macedonian: <i>Табановце</i> ; Albanian: <i>Табанос</i> )

FIP discounted tickets cannot be purchased on-board trains.

FIP facilities are not available on bus services, or for the transport of vehicles on motorail trains.

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<sup>48</sup> The transit point of Elez Han may no longer be valid, given the political situation between the Republic of Kosovo and the Republic of Serbia. Please see the Serbia and Kosovo entries for more details. However, it is the northern limit of ŽRSM FIP facilities on the Skopje to Pristina line.

<sup>49</sup> In 2012, the Kosovo Assembly approved the renaming of the town to Елез Хан for publications in Serbian and Elez Han for publications in English

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## Northern Ireland – NIR

The following carrier is relevant to Northern Ireland

- NIR – **Northern Ireland Railways**

For public fares, children up to 5 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by NIR defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the NIR railway network.

Lines	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers	Neighbouring Transport Carrier
Belfast – Dundalk – Dublin	Dundalk	CIE
Belfast – Cairnryan, Belfast – Liverpool	Belfast	SLL

If using FIP Coupons for free travel on the *Enterprise* service to the Republic of Ireland, then both CIE and NIR coupons must be held.

The FIP Card can be used to buy reduced rate tickets at station or on board trains.

Break of journey is not permitted, except to change trains.

First class is available on the Enterprise route from Belfast to Dublin. Payment for upgrades to first class travel must be made on the train.

### **Non-FIP benefits available to Staff Travel Card holders.**

Safeguarded staff with a Staff Travel Card may buy reduced rate tickets.

Non-safeguarded holders of Rail Staff Leisure Cards cannot use this to buy reduced rate tickets but can use an FIP card.

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### Norway – Vy Group

The following carrier is relevant to Norway

- Vy Group (formerly **Norges Statsbaner** - Norwegian State Railways)

**Entur AS** operates on-line and station ticket office retailing of passenger rail tickets.



Hardangervidda between Haugastøl and Finse, Norway <sup>50</sup>

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 18 years old are eligible for a reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 18 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by Vy defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the Vy railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

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Lines	Transit Points up to which the coupons of Vy group are valid	Neighbouring Transport Carrier
(Oslo) – Halden – Kornsjø – (Gothenburg)	Halden (Kornsjø (Gr))	SJ
(Oslo) – Kongsvinger – Charlottenberg – (Stockholm)	Kongsvinger (Charlottenberg (Gr))	SJ
Trondheim – Storlien – (Östersund)	Storlien (Gr)	SJ

FIP facilities are **not valid** on

- Vy bus services
- *Flåmsbana* between Myrdal and Flåm
- Ofoten Line between Narvik and Bjørnfjell
- *Flytoget* Airport Express to and from Oslo Airport (see below)
- Oslo – Karlstad – Stockholm: Not valid on Vy Tåg Sverige or SJ Sverige services.

### Travel between Oslo Airport, Oslo and Drammen

FIP facilities are not valid on the *Flytoget* Airport Express services to and from Oslo Airport.<sup>51</sup>

FIP facilities are valid on VY, SJ and Go-Ahead intercity trains, and Vy local trains to and from the airport (except the long-distance service from Trondheim which stops to set down passengers only).<sup>52</sup>

### Travel on local services in the Oslo area

FIP coupons are valid on Regiontog and Lokaltog trains operated by Vy group in the Oslo area.<sup>53</sup>

However it is not possible to buy FIP discounted tickets for travel entirely within the Oslo area bounded by Lunner (RE30 R31), Eidsvoll (RE11, R12),

<sup>51</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-017/C9180INC

<sup>52</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-017/D7776INC

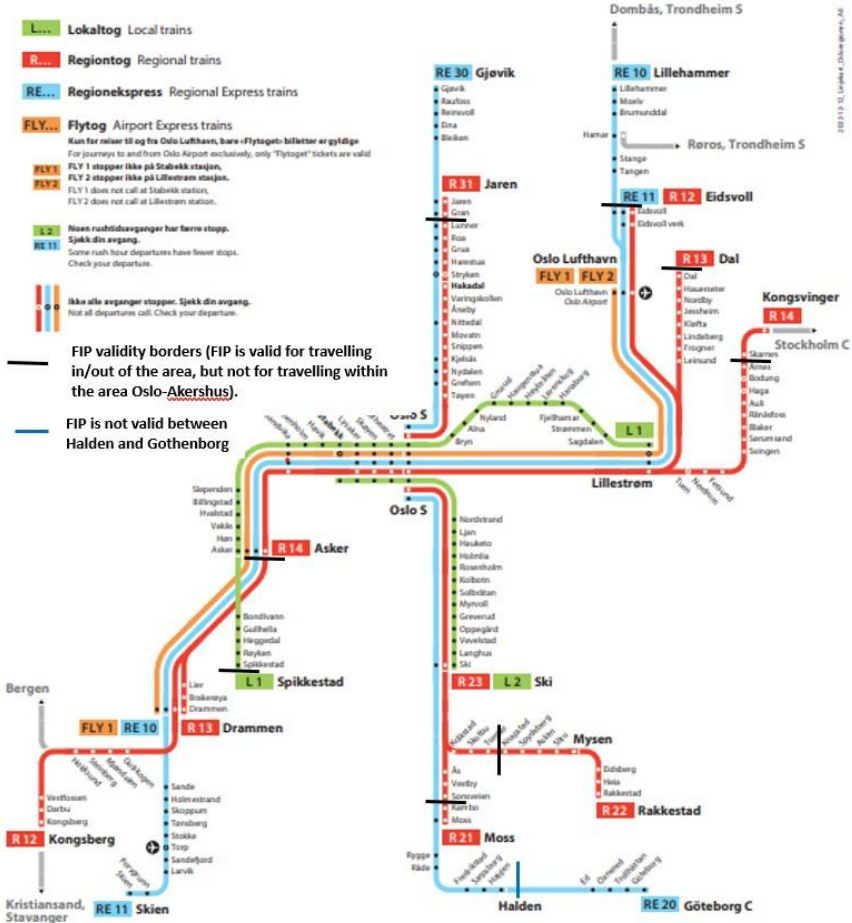
<sup>53</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-017/D7775INC

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Dal (R13), Årnes (R14), Spikkestad (L1), Asker (R14, R13, RE10, FLY1, RE11, R12), Tomter (R22), and Sonvsveien (R21).<sup>54</sup>



For Long-distance trains and trains outside The Oslo region, consult separate maps



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## Travel on local routes in Bergen, Trondheim and Stavanger

FIP discounted tickets are not available within the Skysss fares area in Bergen, the AtB area within Trondheim and the Kolumbus area within Stavanger.

### Ticket purchasing

Only five stations in Norway have staffed ticket offices:<sup>55</sup>

- Bergen
- Oslo Airport (Gardermoen Station)
- Oslo Central (Oslo S)
- Stavanger
- Trondheim Central (Trondheim S)

FIP discounted tickets cannot be purchased from ticket vending machines or on-board trains.

Tickets can be obtained from Entur, the ticket retailing division of Norwegian Railways. Details of how to contact them can be found on their website here <https://entur.no/>.

The contact centre speak English.

### Breaks of journey

Breaks of journey are not permitted when using FIP discounted tickets.

### Franchised passenger services in Norway

FIP facilities are available on franchised operators of services who win the Traffic Packages under the tendering process implemented by the Norwegian Ministry of Transport and Communications.<sup>56</sup>

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<sup>55</sup> Correct in December 2023

<sup>56</sup> Source RST Ref: 90-081-017/D7791INC

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Go-Ahead Nordic operate:

- *Sørlandet Line* Oslo to Stavanger
- *Arendal Line* Arendal to Nelaug

The following supplements apply on *Go Ahead Nordic* services:<sup>57</sup>

- **Standard** 50 NOK. Choose your seat free of charge when you book and have access to wifi and power outlets. You can buy food, snacks, and drinks in the café.
- **Extra** 250 NOK. Choose your seat free of charge when you book and have access to wifi and power outlets. Access to free coffee, tea and snack bar.
- **Hvile** 500 NOK. A reclining seat with adjustable reading light, table and power socket. Free coffee, tea and snack bar.
- **Sleeper Cabin** 1000 NOK. Access to two beds. You can decide if you want to sleep alone in the cabin or share with another person in your party. Children under 6 years old travel for free and can share a bed with an adult. However, it is recommended that children over 4 years old have their own bed. The maximum number in a compartment is 2 adults and 2 children.

Entur can provide more information of the facilities available with each supplement.



*SJ Norge* (under the brand *SJ Nord*) operate:

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<sup>57</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-017/D8585INC

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- *Røros Line* Trondheim to Hamar (and on to Oslo)
- *Meråker Line* Trondheim to Storlien (and on to Sweden)
- *Rauma Line* Åndalsnes to Dombas (and on to Oslo)
- *Nordland Line* Trondheim to Bodø
- regional services in Trøndelag county

The following supplements apply on *SJ Norge* services:<sup>58</sup>

- **Seat** 50 NOK. Seat reservation with the opportunity to purchase a “Night train package” in the cafeteria, which includes a sleeping mask, ear plugs, a blanket and an inflatable pillow.
- **Premium** 200 NOK. Daytime trains only. Free water and snacks and free access to the hot drinks vending machine. Also includes a small meal served to your seat on the following departures
  - Daytime departures with boarding before 9.00am
  - Standard departures from Bodø 12.27pm to and from Røkkland
- **Premium Plus** 500 NOK. Adjustable reclining chairs with small table, reading light, USB and power outlet at each chair. One small free meal is included.
- **Sleeper Berth** 1,000 NOK. This is the charge for a sleeping compartment for up to 2 adults and 2 children (under the age of 6). The compartment has two single beds, towels and a sink. Toilet facilities are at the end of each carriage. Animals are not allowed in sleeping compartments except for service dogs on duty.

Entur can provide more information of the facilities available with each supplement.

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<sup>58</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-017/D8585INC

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Vy Tog operate:

- Oslo S – Bergen
- Bergen – Voss – Myrdal
- Bergen – Arna

The following supplements apply on Vy Tog services:<sup>59</sup>

- **Standard** 50 NOK. Seat reservation fee.
- **Plus** 300 NOK. More comfortable seat with tables and power sockets, and coffee or tea provided.
- **Plus Night** 600 NOK. Reclining seat which extends out to allow you to lay down. Includes a small table, reading light, USB and power outlet at each chair. Free blankets, ear plugs and a mask are provided.
- **Compartment** 1500 NOK. Has 2 couches with seating for up to 6 people. The price is for the compartment irrespective of the number of passengers. Suitable for small groups who want to travel in more private surroundings.
- **Compartment Night** 3000 NOK. Comprises 6 beds with simple comfort. The prices is for the compartment irrespective of the number of passengers.
- **Sleep Compartment** 1000 NOK. Has 2 beds, bedding, sink, power outlets, water and towels available. The prices is for the compartment irrespective of the number of passengers.

Entur can provide more information of the facilities available with each supplement.

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<sup>59</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-017/D8585INC

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### Poland – PKP, KD, KS, KW, ŁKA

The following carriers are relevant for Poland:

- PKP - **Polskie Koleje Państwowe** (*Polish State Railways*)
- KD - **Koleje Dolnośląskie** (*Lower Silesian Railways*)
- KŚ - **Koleje Śląskie** (*Silesian Railways*)
- KW - **Koleje Wielkopolskie** (*Greater Poland Railways*)
- ŁKA - **Łódzka Kolej Aglomeracyjna** (*Łódź Metropolitan Railway*)

#### **PKP FIP facilities**

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by PKP defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the PKP railway network. PKP do not denote boundaries with the other independent FIP members within Poland. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which PKP coupons are valid
BC (Belarus)	Brest (Gr) (Belarusian: Брэст), Bruzgi (Gr) (or Bruzhi), Czeremcha (Gr) (Podlaskie Voivodeship)
ČD	Bohumin (Gr), Cesky Tesin (Gr), Głuchołazy (Gr) (Czech: <i>Hlucholazy</i> ), Lichkov (Gr) (or Plhy City), Zebrzydowice (Gr), (Silesian Voivodeship)
DB AG	Forst (Gr), Frankfurt/Oder (Gr), Grambow (Gr), Kostrzyn (Gr) Tantow (Gr), Zgorzelec (Gr)
LTG-Link	Mockava (Gr)
RZD (Russia)	Braniewo (Gr)
UZ (Ukraine)	Jagodin (Gr) (Yahodyn, Yagodyn or Ягодин), Медука (Gr)
ŽSR	Lupkow (Gr)

PKP FIP Facilities are **only** available on services provided by:

- PKP InterCity
- POLREGIO S.A
- Koleje Mazowieckie-KM, (*Masovian Railways*)
- PKP Szybka Kolej Miejska w Trojmiescie (*Fast Urban Railway Tricity*)

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- Warszawska Kolej Dojazdowa. (*Warsaw Commuter Railway*)
- Some KD routes (see the entry for KD)

### ***PKP specific rules***

On PKP Intercity EIP (*Express InterCity Premium*) trains, passengers holding FIP coupons, International Senior Manager Free Passes or tickets bought with an FIP Card are obliged to obtain a seat reservation and buy an EIP supplement (43 PLN /approx 10 Euro) before starting the journey.

Passengers already holding a reservation may pay the supplement on the train; passengers who have not made a reservation must pay the supplement at PKP ticket offices at the same time as making a reservation. A receipt will be issued.

Travel on EIP trains without a seat reservation is not permitted. Passengers using PKP Intercity EIP trains without a reservation or who refuse to pay the supplement will pay an additional charge, as well as the journey fare. It is not possible to buy passenger tickets and seat reservations on-board.

On EIC (*Express InterCity*), IC (*InterCity*) and TLK (*Twoje Linie Kolejowe*) trains subject to compulsory reservation, passengers holding FIP coupons, International Senior Manager Free Passes or tickets bought with an FIP Card must obtain a seat reservation at a price of 3 PLN (purchased in Poland only)

On EIC (*Express InterCity*), IC (*InterCity*) and TLK (*Twoje Linie Kolejowe*) trains not subject to compulsory reservation, seat reservations are optional at a price of 3 PLN (purchased in Poland only)

On board purchase of tickets is possible subject to a supplement of 20 PLN.

In IC and TLK trains, passengers without a ticket should approach on-train staff (immediately on departure) to buy a ticket.

Additional supplement charges apply to holders of FIP free coupons or tickets bought with an FIP Card as follows:



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- Sleeper berths: Single 299 PLN, Double 159 PLN, Triple 79 PLN
- Couchette: In 3 and 4 couchete compartment 69 PLN, in 6 couchette compartment 59 PLN

Passengers holding International Senior Manager Free Passes:

- must pay a supplement if occupying a Seat in a Manager Compartment 99 PLN
- do not pay couchette or sleeper berth charges (reservations are free of charge) but pay a service charge: Single berth 140 PLN, Double berth 74 PLN, Triple berth 65 PLN.

Break of Journey is not permitted.

FIP facilities are valid on rail replacement bus services operated by PKP.

FIP facilities are not valid on cable and rack railways operated by PKP

### ***POLREGIO S.A specific rules***

Reduced rate tickets can be issued on train but are subject to a special fee (unless the passenger is departing from an unstaffed station or stop). Passengers must board by the door at the front of the train (direction of travel) and immediately buy tickets from the on-train staff. Upgrades to 1<sup>st</sup> class are permitted on-board providing the passenger informs the on-board staff of their intention immediately.

A ticket for a single journey is valid until midnight on the day of issue. One break of journey without the need to have this confirmed is permitted. Validity of single tickets bought with the reduced rate card is dependent on distance:

- a) up to 50km: 3 hours from date and time of issue (or as determined by the passenger),
- b) 51 km – 100 km: 6 hours from date and time of issue (or as determined by the passenger),
- c) 101 km and above: until midnight on the day of issue. (The day is 0001 hrs to 2400 hrs).

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### ***Koleje Mazowieckie – KM specific rules***

Passengers who board trains at staffed stations and who cannot provide confirmation that they have not been able to buy a ticket at the booking office must, in addition to the fare, pay a supplementary charge.

Passengers without validated tickets must board by the door at the front of the train (direction of travel) and immediately buy (or have validated) tickets from the on-train staff in the first compartment. If no staff are to be seen, then passengers should wait in the first compartment. Otherwise the passenger will be deemed to be travelling without a ticket and will be liable to a surcharge (in addition to the fare).

Tickets bought with the FIP Card are not valid in the *Słoneczny* train.

The validity period for single or return tickets is 1 day. It begins with the date/time printed/written on the ticket. The day runs from 00.01 to 24.00.

Journeys undertaken using a single ticket must start on the first day of validity (shown on the ticket as day of journey), specifically:

- a) Journeys with singles and outward portions of return tickets must commence within one hour of ticket issue or as determined by the passenger. KM tariff conditions may permit other periods of validity.
- b) Journeys with return portions of tickets valid for distances over 100km may be made on any day of the ticket validity.

Tickets bought with the FIP Card are not valid on KM buses between Modlin and Warsaw Modlin airport.

Break of journey is generally permitted, although there are some exceptions to this rule. If you intend to break your journey you should check when buying your ticket that the break is permitted.

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### ***PKP Szybka Kolej Miejska w Trójmieście specific rules***

Tickets for single journeys issued by machine are valid from the time of issue/validation. Tickets bought at the ticket office are valid as determined by the salesperson according to time and zone.

The validity of tickets depends on the distance

- up to 50 km - 3 hours from the date and time of issue or as indicated by the traveler,
- from 51 km to 100 km - 6 hours from the date and time of issue, - or according to the traveler's instructions,
- 101 km or more - 1 day. A day is valid from 0:01 to 24:00.

A passenger who has not purchased a ticket before the start of the journey is required to report to the conductor/controller or any other person authorized to control the train as soon as he boards the train to purchase a ticket. To do this, the traveler must use the front doors of the train, determined by direction of travel and, if the person mentioned is not in this part of the train, wait for them.

Issuing a ticket on board the train is subject to a fee, the amount of which is fixed in the tariff available on the website [www.skm.pkp.pl](http://www.skm.pkp.pl) (C-PKP SKM).

No fee is levied for issuing a ticket on board the train to the following passengers: disabled people and their companions, people aged over 60, people with reduced mobility, people accompanied by children under the age of 6 years, pregnant women and minors, in accordance with the provisions relating to the transport of people, objects and animals (RPO-PKP SKM) available on the website [www.skm.pkp.pl](http://www.skm.pkp.pl).

Break of journey is permitted but subject to the provisions on the transport of people, objects and animals (RPO-PKP SKM) on the website [www.skm.pkp.pl](http://www.skm.pkp.pl) .

### **Lotnisko Chopina w Warszawie (Warsaw Frederic Chopin Airport)**

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Between Warszawa and Lotnisko Chopina w Warszawie, PKP coupons are **not** valid on line S2 and S3 services operated by SKM (*Szybka Kolej Miejska*) but are accepted on services operated by KM.

### **FIP discounted ticket purchase from PKP ticket vending machines**

At PKP ticket vending machines an FIP discounted ticket may be purchased using the discount “50% UMOWA-FIP-MKZ”

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### ***KD FIP facilities***

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the SCIC-NRT base adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by KD defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the KD railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Forst (Gr) – Żary – Żagań – Rokitki – Legnica	Forst (Gr) Żary, Legnica	DB AG PKP
Legnica – Lubin – Rudna Miasto – Głogów – Nowa Sól	Legnica, Rudna Miasto, Głogów, Nowa Sól	PKP
Wrocław – Brzeg Dolny – Wołów – Rudna Miasto	Wrocław	PKP
Zgorzelec (Gr) – Zgorzelec – Węgliniec – Chojnów – Legnica – Wrocław	Zgorzelec, Węgliniec, Legnica, Wrocław	PKP
Chojnów – Rokitki – Chocianów	Chojnów	PKP
Zgorzelec (Gr) – Zgorzelec – Lubań Śląski – Gryfów Śląski – Jelenia Góra	Zgorzelec, Lubań Śląski, Gryfów Śląski, Jelenia Góra	PKP
Gryfów Śl. – Świeradów-Zdrój	Gryfów Śląski	PKP
Węgliniec – Lubań Śląski	Węgliniec, Lubań Śląski	PKP
Jakuszyce (Gr) – Szklarska	Jakuszyce (Gr)	ČD
Poręba Górna – Jelenia Góra – Sędziszaw – Wałbrzych – Wrocław	Szklarska Poręba Górna, Jelenia Góra, Sędziszaw, Wrocław	PKP
Jelenia Góra – Karpacz <sup>60</sup>	Jelenia Góra	PKP
Sędziszaw – Lubawka (Gr)	Sędziszaw	PKP
Wałbrzych – Mioszów (Gr)	Wałbrzych, Boguszów-Gorce Wschód	PKP
Legnica – Jaworzyna Śląska – Świdnica Miasto – Dzierżoniów Śląski – Kamieniec Żąbkowicki	Legnica, Jaworzyna Śląska, Kamieniec Żąbkowicki	PKP
Wrocław – Sobótka Zachodnia – Świdnica Miasto	Wrocław, Świdnica Miasto	PKP
Dzierżoniów Śląski – Bielawa Zachodnia	Dzierżoniów Śląski	PKP

<sup>60</sup> (route under reconstruction. Will reopen in 2024. Date to be confirmed)

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Lines	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers	Neighbouring Transport Carriers
Wałbrzych – Jedlina-Zdrój – Kłodzko	Wałbrzych, Kłodzko	PKP
Wrocław – Kamieniec Ząbkowicki – Kłodzko – Międzyzlesie – Lichkov (Gr)	Wrocław, Kłodzko, Międzyzlesie	PKP
Kłodzko – Kudowa-Zdrój	Kłodzko	PKP
Kłodzko – Stronie Śląskie (Rail replacement service in operation - 2024)	Kłodzko	PKP
Wrocław – Jelcz-Laskowice	Wrocław, Jelcz-Laskowice	PKP
Wrocław – Rawicz	Wrocław	PKP
	Rawicz	KW, PKP
Rawicz – Bojanowo – Góra Śl.	Rawicz, Bojanowo	KW, PKP
Wrocław – Trzebnica	Wrocław	PKP
Wrocław – Oleśnica – Krotoszyn	Wrocław, Oleśnica, Grabowno Wielkie	PKP
	Krotoszyn	KW
Oleśnica – Syców	Oleśnica	PKP

On these routes, KD coupons are also valid on services between Zgorzelec and Görlitz in Germany.

- Zgorzelec (Gr) – Zgorzelec – Węglińiec – Legnica – Wrocław
- Zgorzelec (Gr) – Zgorzelec – Lubań Śląski – Jelenia Góra

FIP discounted tickets purchased on-board KD services must be made in cash (PLN or contactless with credit cards (Visa, Visa Electron, V Pay, Mastercard, Maestro). Payment in Euros is not allowed.

Reservations are not available on KD services.

There is no 1<sup>st</sup> class accommodation on KD services.

Trains from Wrocław to Berlin which are operated in conjunction with DB AG are marked in the timetable with *Train not available for local journeys; special KD/DB tickets 'Special fare Wrocław – Berlin' apply*. FIP discounted tickets are not valid. Global Fares apply to these trains. FIP free coupons are valid.

FIP facilities are valid on bus services operated by KD.

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FIP facilities are **not** valid on

- services marked in the timetable as ‘KD Specjal’.
- summer trains “KD Premium” Wrocław – Świnoujście – Wrocław. In the timetable, the trains are marked with the note “The special KD tickets apply”.

### Online purchase of KD tickets.

Purchasing a ticket is possible in the following e-shops and apps:

- [kolejedolnoslaskie.pl](http://kolejedolnoslaskie.pl)
- [bilkom.pl](http://bilkom.pl) and “BILKOM Bilety” app,
- [www.e-podroznik.pl](http://www.e-podroznik.pl) and “e-podróznik.pl” app,
- [koleo.pl](http://koleo.pl) and “KOLEO” app (purchasing in KOLEO requires a personal account)

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### KS FIP facilities

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Persons aged up to 26 are eligible for a 20% reduction on the adult fare. Persons 26 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by KS defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the KS railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Lines	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers	Neighbouring Transport Carriers
Gliwice – Katowice – Częstochowa	Gliwice, Katowice, Zawiercie, Częstochowa	PKP
Częstochowa – Lubliniec	Częstochowa, Lubliniec	PKP
Tychy – Tychy Lodowisko	Tychy	PKP
Katowice – Tychy – Pszczyna – Czechowice Dziedzice – Bielsko Biała – Zwardoń	Katowice, Czechowice Dziedzice, Bielsko Biała, Żywiec	PKP
	Zwardoń	ŽSR
Żywiec – Sucha Beskidzka – Zakopane	Sucha Beskidzka, Zakopane	PKP
Czechowice Dziedzice – Zebrzydowice Zebrzydowice – Cieszyn (Gr)	Czechowice Dziedzice Zebrzydowice	PKP
	Cieszyn / Český Těšín (Gr)	ČD
Pszczyna – Wisła Głębcze	Pszczyna	PKP
Katowice – Rybnik – Chałupki (Gr) Rybnik – Racibórz	Katowice, Rybnik, Nędza, Racibórz	PKP
Gliwice – Rybnik – Wisła Głębcze	Gliwice, Rybnik	PKP
Racibórz – Chałupki (Gr)	Racibórz	PKP
	Chałupki / Bohumin (Gr)	ČD
Kluczbork – Katowice Katowice – Oświęcim	Kluczbork, Lubliniec, Tarnowskie Góry, Katowice, Mysłowice, Oświęcim	PKP

On these routes, PKP facilities are also valid.:

- Gliwice – Katowice – Częstochowa
- Częstochowa – Lubliniec
- Katowice – Tychy – Pszczyna – Czechowice Dziedzice – Bielsko Biała – Zwardoń



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- Żywiec – Sucha Beskidzka – Zakopane
- Czechowice Dziedzice – Zebrzydowice
- Pszczyna – Wisła Głębcze
- Kluczbork – Katowice

Reservations are not available on KS services.

FIP discounted tickets may be purchased on the train but only for cash in PLN. Euros are not accepted.

There is no 1<sup>st</sup> class accommodation on KS services.

Break of journey is permitted without formality.

FIP facilities are not valid on

- KS bus services unless they are providing rail replacement services.
- Special trains as provided by KS from time to time.

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### ***KW FIP facilities***

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by KW defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the KW railway network.

<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers</b>	<b>Neighbouring Transport Carriers</b>
Poznań – Kutno	Poznań, Września, Konin, Koło,	PKP
	Kutno	PKP, LKA
Poznań – Zbąszynek	Poznań, Nowy Tomyśl, Zbąszynek	PKP
Poznań – Mogilno	Poznań, Gniezno, Mogilno	PKP
Poznań – Kępno	Poznań, Jarocin, Ostrów Wlkp	PKP, LKA
Poznań – Kępno	Kępno	PKP
Poznań – Krotoszyn	Poznań, Jarocin	PKP, LKA
	Krotoszyn	KD
Poznań – Łódź	Poznań, Jarocin, Kalisz, Zduńska Wola, Łódź	PKP, LKA
Poznań – Gołańcz	Poznań	PKP
Poznań – Wolsztyn – Powodowo	Poznań	PKP
Leszno – Zbąszynek	Leszno, Zbąszynek	PKP
Leszno – Ostrów Wlkp.	Leszno,.	PKP
	Krotoszyn	PKP, KD
	Ostrów Wlkp.	PKP
Gniezno - Jarocin	Gniezno, Września, Jarocin	PKP
Poznań – Piła	Poznań, Rogoźno Wlkp., Piła	PKP
Piła – Wyrzysk Osiek	Piła, Wyrzysk Osiek	PKP
Poznań – Rawicz	Poznań, Kościan, Leszno	PKP
	Bojanowo, Rawicz	PKP. KD
Poznań – Krzyż	Poznań, Wronki, Krzyż	PKP
Poznań - Piła	Krzyż, Piła	PKP

There is no 1<sup>st</sup> class on KW services, or seat reservations or supplements.

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On presentation of the FIP Card tickets may be purchased on board trains, but payment is only in cash (PLN), or contactless by credit card. Payment in Euros is not permitted.

Break of journey is permitted without restriction.

FIP facilities are valid on rail replacement buses, but not other bus and coach services operated by KW.

FIP facilities are not valid in special trains.

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### ŁKA FIP facilities

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the base adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by ŁKA defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ŁKA railway network.

Lines	Transit Points with Neighbouring FIP Carriers	Neighbouring Transport Carriers
Łódź – Zgierz – Jutno	Łódź	PKP
	Kutno	PKP, KW
Łódź – Zgierz – Łowicz	Łódź, Łowicz	PKP
Łódź – Sieradz – Ostrów Wielkopolski	Łódź, Pabianice, Łask, Zduńska Wola, Sieradz	PKP
	Kalisz, Ostrów Wielkopolski	PKP, KW
Łódź – Skierniewice – Warszawa	Łódź, Koluszki, Skierniewice, Warszawa	PKP
Kutno – Łowicz – Skierniewice	Kutno, Łowicz, Skierniewice	PKP
Łódź – Tomaszów Mazowiecki – Drzewica	Łódź, Koluszki, Tomaszów Mazowiecki Drzewica	PKP
Łódź – Piotrków Trybunalski – Radomsko	Łódź, Piotrków Trybunalski, Radomsko	PKP

There is no 1<sup>st</sup> class accommodation on ŁKA services.

Payment of fares on board ŁKA services is possible only in PLN. Euros are not accepted.

Break of journey is permitted without formality.

FIP facilities are not valid on special trains.

### Other Operators in Poland

PKP, KD, KS, KW and ŁKA FIP facilities are not available on other operators including *RegioJet* services.

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### Portugal – CP

The following carrier is relevant for Portugal:

- CP - **Comboios de Portugal** (Railways of Portugal)

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by CP defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the CP railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which CP coupons are valid
RENFE	Badajoz (fr), Barca de Alva (fr), Fuentes de Oñoro (fr), Valença (fr), Valencia de Alcántara (fr), V. Real de Sto António Guardiana [> Ayamonte]

You must have a reservation for travel on IC and AP (*Alfa Pendular*) trains, and on international trains (*Sud Express* and *Lusitania* HotelTrain). On AP trains, coupons (irrespective of class) are valid in tourist class only.

Reservations are not required on trains designated 'R' in the timetable.

Global fares apply on the international services between Lisboa, Madrid and Hendaye.

FIP facilities are valid on CP suburban services (with exceptions listed below).

The *Linha de Sintra* and *Linha de Cascais* are accessed via ticket barriers.

- Passengers using FIP discounted facilities must purchase a *Viva Viagem* ticket (Eur 0.50) at the ticket counter to be able to pass through the ticket barrier.
- Passengers using FIP coupons for free travel must press the Help Point button on at the access point (between 06.00am and

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10.00pm). The call will be answered by an operator who will allow access.

FIP facilities are **not valid on**

- Fertagus trains (commuter railway in Lisboa)
- the underground services in Lisboa, Porto and Mirandela
- ferries between Lisboa and Barreiro.

FIP discounted tickets may not be purchased on-board trains, except where the passenger boards a train at a station without a ticket office.

Passengers holding an FIP discounted ticket obtained in Portugal may not break their journey. Break of journey (with reservation if appropriate) is permitted for tickets bought outside Portugal.



CP service on the north bank of the River Duoro near Bicheiro <sup>61</sup>

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### Romania – CFR

The following carrier is relevant for Romania:

- CFR - **Căile Ferate Române** (Romanian Railways)

For public fares, children up to 5 years old travel free. Children up to 10 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 10 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by CFR defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the CFR railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the Glossary.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which CFR coupons are valid
BDZ	Ruse (Gr) (also as Rouse or Russe) (Bulgarian: Pyce)
CFM (Moldova)	Iasi (also Jassy or Iassy) (Nicolina station), Ungheni (Gr)
MÁV	Biharkeresztes (fr), Curtici (Gr) (Hungarian: Kürtös), Nyirábrány (Gr), Salonta (Gr) (Hungarian: Nagyszalonta, Szalonta)
SV	Jimbolia (fr) (Serbian: Žombolj), Vršac (fr) (Serbian: Вршац)
UZ (Ukraine)	Vicsani (Gr)

FIP discounted tickets may not be purchased on-board trains.

For mandatory reservation services, reservations must be obtained prior to departure.

Break of journey is permitted only once and for a maximum period of 24 hours from the time of arrival at the station where the break of journey is being made. The ticket must be endorsed within one hour of arrival.

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### Serbia – SV

The following carrier is relevant for Serbia

- SV - Србија Воз or **Srbija Voz** (Serbian Railways)

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

Kosovo is the subject of a territorial dispute between the Republic of Kosovo and the Republic of Serbia. The Republic of Kosovo unilaterally declared independence on 17 February 2008, but Serbia continues to claim it as part of its own sovereign territory.

Serbian Railways has operated services on the routes now controlled by *Trainkos* in Kosovo. The following table supplied by SV defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SV railway network.

RSTL is unable to verify whether Srbija Voz (SV) FIP facilities are still available within Kosovo. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which SV coupons are valid
BDZ	Dimitrovgrad (fr)
CFR	Jimbolia (fr), Vršac (fr)
HŽ	Erdut (Gr) (Serbian: Ердут), Šid (Gr) (Serbian: Шид)
MÁV	Röszke (Gr), Subotica (Gr)
ŽRSM	Đjeneral Jankovic (fr) (now <i>Han Elat</i> . Serbian: Ђенерал Јанковић, Albanian: <i>Han i Elezit</i> ), Tabanovci (fr) (Serbian: Табановце; Albanian: <i>Tabanoc</i> )
ŽPCG	Bijelo Polje (Gr)

When using Global Fare trains, FIP coupon holders pay a supplement. Holders of the International Reduced Rate Card pay 50% of the global fare.



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On the Belgrade - Novi Sad route FIP facilities are subject to mandatory reservations and supplements which can only be purchased at stations. <sup>62</sup>

FIP facilities are not available on buses operated by SV unless they are providing a temporary rail replacement service.

FIP facilities holders should check locally before attempting to use facilities on the lines into Kosovo south of Kuršumlija (Serbian: Куршумлија) and Raška (Serbian: Рашка).



The Belgrade Bar Railway crossing the River Lim <sup>63</sup>

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<sup>62</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-020/D8365INC

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### Slovakia – ŽSR

The following carrier is relevant for Slovakia

- ŽSR - **Železnice Slovenskej republiky** (Slovak Republic Railways)

ŽSK FIP facilities are valid on train services operated by a ŽSSK (Železničná spoločnosť Slovensko).

#### Children on ŽSR services <sup>64</sup>

##### **For children up to 6 years old**

For free travel the child must be accompanied by person older than 16.

- Free travel in 2<sup>nd</sup> class (neither ticket nor ID card is required).
- Free travel in 1<sup>st</sup> class (maximum 2 children, must be accompanied by fare-paying adult. Additional children pay 50%).

In EuroCity trains no supplements (except where children travel in 1<sup>st</sup> class and are paying 50%, a €1 supplement is payable).

In SuperCity trains pay a supplement of €1 in 2<sup>nd</sup> class, €3 in 1<sup>st</sup> Class.

In InterCity trains, a seat reservation inclusive supplement may be bought.

##### **For children up to 16 years old – free travel**

Registration is necessary for children 6 - 16 (sixteenth birthday) irrespective of nationality.

Registration must be done by the legal representative of the child using the following documentation:

- Photo (2cm x 3cm) of the child
- ID card of the child

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<sup>64</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-026/D7649INC

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- If the child does not have their own ID card, the child's birth certificate and the ID card of the legal representative is sufficient.

Where can you register?

- at a ticket office which uses the KVC system (immediate registration is usually possible).
- at a ticket office staffed by ZSSK personnel (registration usually within three days).

Documentation to be shown in the event of on-train ticket check:

- "free" ticket
- Permit issued at the time of registration
- See [www.slovakrail.sk/en/zero-fare.html](http://www.slovakrail.sk/en/zero-fare.html) for more information.

Free travel availability

- On any **Os** or **REX** train for the route specified on the ticket within the validity period.
- On the specific **R**, **RR**, **Ex**, **EN**, **EC** or **SC** train as printed on the free ticket.
- On **EC** trains a 1 Euro mandatory reservation fee is payable.
- On **SC** trains a 5 Euro mandatory reservation fee is payable.
- Free travel is not available on **IC** and **Railjet xpress** trains.

### **For children up to 16 years old – reduced rate travel**

If they do not take advantage of the free travel arrangement, then they travel at 50% of the standard 1st or 2nd class fare.

For travel in InterCity trains a supplement of 1 Euro is payable; for travel in SuperCity trains the supplement is 1 Euro in 2nd class, 3 Euro in 1st class.

In InterCity trains children aged 6 to 16 may also take advantage of the supplement which includes seat reservation.

For on train ticket checks you must have an official document (with photo) showing age, date of birth, and (where appropriate) birth number.

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*TIP FROM ZSSK: children up to 10 years of age do not need to have their own berth (bed) or couchette; 2 children up to the age of 10 may share but further children require their own berth/couchette. Children aged 10 and above must have their own berth/couchette. The fare payable for the berth/couchette depends on the number of berths/couchettes used.*

### **For persons aged 16 and older**

The adult fare applies.

### **General travel on ŽSR services**

The following table supplied by ŽSR defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the ŽSR railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

<b>Neighbouring carrier</b>	<b>Transit points up to which ŽSR coupons are valid</b>
ČD	Čadca - Mosty u Jablunkova, Hodonin Holíč nad Moravou, Lúky pod Makytou - Horní Lideč , Kúty - Lanžhot , Nemšová - Lanžhot , Skalica na Slovensku Sudoměřice, Vrbovce - Velká nad Veličkou, Horné Srnie - Brumov-Bylnice
GySEV	Rusovce - Rajka (Gr) (German: <i>Ragendorf</i> )
MÁV	Bánréve – Lenartovce, Čaňa - Hidasnémeti , Fil’akovo (fr) – Somoskőújfalú, Komárno - Komárom , Sátoralújhely - Slovenské Nové mesto , Štúrovo - Szob
ÖBB	Bratislava Petržalka – Kittsee, Devínska Nová Ves - Marchegg
PKP	Medzilaborce – Lupkow, Muszyna - Plaveč (frontier), Skalité – Zwardoń <sup>65</sup>
UZ (Ukraine)	Čierna nad Tisou - Čop

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<sup>65</sup> For those wishing to travel via the Skalité - Zwardoń border crossing, please note that border traffic within Polish territory is also carried out by the regional railway company Koleje Śląskie (KŚ), which does not accept ordinary international tickets

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On mandatory reservation trains, seat reservations must be purchased in advance.

Passengers will have to pay the following supplements:

- With EC (EuroCity), a supplement of €1 applies (1st and 2nd class). Note: children under 6 years old (maximum two) do not pay extra; each additional child pays half the ticket price with a supplement of €1.
- With SC (SuperCity) trains, a supplement of €3 is applied, which includes a seat.

When using trains with compulsory reservations, the reservation fee must be paid in full. Seat reservations must be purchased in advance of travel.

On trains with compulsory seat reservations, the reservation fee must be paid before travel. 1st class - €2; 2nd class - €1

ZSSK (ŽSR) FIP facilities are valid on:

- TEŽ narrow-gauge services in the Tatra region (Tatranská električná železnica)
- rack railways operated by ŽSR/ZSSK (i.e. Štrbské Pleso–Štrba).

FIP facilities are **not valid** on:

- ŽSR/ZSSK bus services, except rail replacement services.
- cable cars

FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased when starting a journey at a station where the ticket office is unstaffed.

Break of journey is allowed without limitation of distance or formalities, unless otherwise indicated for a given reduced fare. An interrupted journey can only be started on the first day of validity of the travel ticket.

Break of journey does not extend the validity of the ticket. A change of train between two stations in the same municipality is not considered an interruption of a continuous journey.

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During an interrupted journey, the validity of the ticket for a seat, sleeping car or berth ends at the station where the journey was interrupted.

### **Other Operators**

ŽSR FIP facilities are not available on other transport providers in Slovakia including *RegioJet*, *LEO Express*, *Čiernohronská železnica (Čierny Hron Railway)*.

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### Slovenia – SŽ

The following carrier is relevant for Slovenia:

- SŽ - **Slovenske Železnice** (Slovenian Railways)

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by SŽ defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SŽ railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which SŽ coupons are valid
FS	Nova Gorica (fr), Villa-Opicina (fr) (Slovene: <i>Opčine</i> , Triestine: <i>Opicina</i> ),
HŽ	Buzet (Gr), Čakovec (Gr), Dobova (Gr), Kumrovec (Gr), Metlika (Gr), Mursko Središče (Gr), Rogatec (Gr), Šapjane (Gr)
MÁV	Hodoš (Gr) (also <i>Hodos</i> or <i>Őrihodos</i> )
ÖBB	Bleiburg (Gr) (Slovene: <i>Pliberk</i> ), Jesenice (Gr) (German: <i>Assling</i> ), Spielfeld (Gr) (Slovene: <i>Špilje</i> )

Supplements are payable for travel by EC and IC trains if you have bought a FIP discounted ticket. This full supplement applies also to children from 6 to 12 years of age.

For travel by ICS trains reservations are compulsory. FIP coupons may be used on ICS trains, but a reservation and supplement must be obtained, either at the ticket office, or on the train.

FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased on-board trains in three cases:

- when arriving into Slovenia and continuing a journey in the same train which crossed the frontier

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- when starting a journey at a station where the ticket office is unstaffed.
- when holding a 1<sup>st</sup> class International Reduced Rate Card and a 2<sup>nd</sup> class reduced rate ticket purchased prior to departure, and wanting to upgrade to a 1<sup>st</sup> class ticket



Solkan Bridge over the River Soča on the Bohinj Railway <sup>66</sup>

Break of journey is permitted without formality within the validity of the ticket.

FIP facilities are **not valid** on

- motorail services
- SŽ bus services

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### Spain – RENFE, Euskotren Trena

The following carriers are relevant for Spain:

- RENFE - **Red Nacional de los Ferrocarriles Españoles** (National Network of Spanish Railways)
- Euskotren Trena - Eusko Trenbideak - Ferrocarriles Vascos S.A (Basque Railways)

#### **RENFE facilities**

Passenger train services are operated by *Renfe Operadora* and *Renfe FEVE*.

Children up to 4 years old travel free providing they share a seat with another passenger. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a 40% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by RENFE defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the RENFE railway network. *For the meanings of (Gr) or (fr) suffixes, please see the section - Transit Points of FIP carriers.*

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which RENFE coupons are valid
CP	Ayamonte [ > V. Real de Sto Antonio Guadiana], Badajoz (fr), Barca de Alva (fr) , Fuentes de Onoro (fr), Valença (fr) , Valencia de Alcántara (fr)
SNCF	Canfranc (fr), Hendaye (fr), Port-Bou (fr), La Tour-de-Carol-Enveitg

On high-speed AVE, Alvia, Euromed, Intercity and Avant services FIP coupons do not grant free travel on these services. A fixed supplement must be purchased.

Reservations are mandatory on long-distance and medium-distance trains. Access to platforms may be prevented if you do not hold a reservation. Reservations are not available online. They can only be booked at station ticket offices.<sup>67</sup>

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<sup>67</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-006/D7563INC

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The mandatory seat reservation fees (as of April 2023) are:<sup>68</sup>

- *MD trains with reservation* and *AVANT* trains: €4
- *AVE* trains: €10 in Elige option, €13 in Elige Confort option and €23,50 in Premium option.
- *Alvia* and *Intercity* trains: €6,50 in Elige option and €10 in Elige Confort option.
- *Euromed* trains: €6,50 in Elige option, €10 in Elige Confort option and €23,50 in Premium option.

AVE, Alvia, Euromed and Intercity trains offer Elige Standard (2<sup>nd</sup> class), Elige Confort (1<sup>st</sup> class seat without meal) and Premium (1<sup>st</sup> class seat with meal).<sup>69</sup>

Holders of FIP coupons travel for free without reservation on:

- Commuter Trains
- *MD trains without reservation*

Most MD trains in Catalonia are non-reservable while most of the rest are with reservation (but there can be exceptions).<sup>70</sup> Before using any MD train, you should check if it is a service which requires a reservation.

Break of journey is not permitted.

Holders of 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP facilities may not upgrade to 1<sup>st</sup> class discounted tickets on RENFE services.

Supplements are payable by holders of FIP coupons for travel on IC, Talgo, Trainhotel and Euromed trains. Passengers booking the Luxury Class or Shower Car (*Cama Gran Clase*) must pay the full sleeping car supplement.

Passengers with 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP who wish to book sleepers in *Cama Preferente* or *Cama Gran Clase* can use 2<sup>nd</sup> Class FIP facilities but must pay the difference between the public 2<sup>nd</sup> class and public 1<sup>st</sup> class fare in addition

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<sup>68</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-006/D8372INC

<sup>69</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-006/D8501INC

<sup>70</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-006/D8373INC

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to the sleeper supplement. Public promotional fares may be cheaper if you book in advance.<sup>71</sup>

FIP discounted tickets may only be purchased on-board when starting at a station where the ticket office is unstaffed.



Toledo railway station of 1919 by the architect Narciso Clavería y de Palacios in the Neo-Mudéjar style.<sup>72</sup>

FIP facilities are valid on RENFE metre gauge railway (formerly FEVE) services.

FIP travel facilities are valid in metropolitan areas on the *Cercanías/Rodalia/Aldiriak* suburban services provided by RENFE.

- Cercanías Asturias
- Cercanías Bilbao (Basque: *Bilboko Aldiriak*)
- Cercanías Cádiz
- Cercanías Madrid

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<sup>71</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-006/D7603INC

<sup>72</sup> Photograph © RSTL.

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- Cercanías Málaga
- Cercanías Murcia/Alicante (Valencian: *Rodalía de Murcia/Alacant*)
- Cercanías Sevilla
- Cercanías Santander
- Cercanías San Sebastián (Basque *Renfe Aldiriak - Donostia*)
- Cercanías Valencia (Valencian: *Rodalía de València*)
- Cercanías Zaragoza
- Rodalies de Catalunya

FIP facilities are not valid on: <sup>73</sup>

- Renfe *Avlo* high-speed services
- *Ouigo España* services
- *Iryo* services
- RENFE bus services
- Ferrocarril de Sóller (FS)
- Serveis Ferroviaris de Mallorca (SFM)
- Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat Valenciana (FGV)
- Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya (FGC)
- Metro de Madrid
- Metro de Barcelona
- Metro de Bilbao (Basque: *Bolboko metroa*)
- Metro de Palma
- Metro de Sevilla
- Metrovalencia

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<sup>73</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-006/D8298INC

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### ***Euskotren Trena facilities***

Euskotren Trena services are operated by *Eusko Trenbideak - Ferrocarriles Vascos S.A*

The following table supplied by Euskotren Trenbideak defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the Euskotren railway network.

<b>Neighbouring carrier</b>	<b>Transit points up to which Euskotren coupons are valid</b>
RENFE	Ventas de Irún, Pasaia, Herrera, Abando, San Mamés, Basurto, Hospital
SNCF	Hendaye

Once information is received from Euskotren on the ages for child fares and the transit points, this guide will be updated. Until then employees should check at Euskotren Trena ticket offices before attempting to travel with their FIP facilities.

Upon presentation of the FIP Card at the ticket office or customer service point, a ticket valid for 7 days will be issued. After expiration, a new ticket can be purchased. There is no limit per annum to the number of tickets which can be requested.

Break of journey is permitted without formality.

Customer service outlets are located at:

- Bilbao: Zazpikaleak station
- Donostia - San Sebastián: Estación station
- Gernika – Gernika station
- Durango – Durango Station
- Vitoria-Gasteiz (only for tram tickets): Sancho el Sabio Kalea, 9

FIP discounts are valid on Euskotren trains and trams as well as on line 3 of the Bilbao metro (operated by Euskotren). They are not valid in the rest of the Bilbao metro network.

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Tickets are required to access and exit platforms (except at some small stations). You must have a valid ticket before boarding a train.

It is not necessary to validate the ticket on the Vitoria-Gasteiz tram, but it is necessary to do so on the Bilbao tram. The 7-day ticket should only be presented upon request. For the trip, the reduced rate card and a proof of identity is also required.

On the Trapagaran - Larreineta funicular you can get an individual ticket at the ticket desks of both stations.

The discount card entitles you to a single entry to the Euskotren Railway Museum in the town of Azpeitia. FIP facilities are not accepted on the Railway Museum tourist train.

FIP facilities are not accepted on bus services operated by Euskotren.

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### **Sweden**

FIP facilities are not valid on any carriers in Sweden.

FIP facilities are also not valid on DSB Øresundståg trains over the Øresund Bridge.

### Switzerland – BLS, SBB, SP and BSB/VSU

The following carriers are relevant for Switzerland:

- BLS - **BLS AG** provides services near Bern
- SBB – **Schweizerische Bundesbahnen** (formally SBB CFF FFS **Schweizerische Bundesbahnen, Chemins de fer fédéraux suisses, Ferrovie federali svizzere**) Swiss Federal Railway
- SP – **Schweizer Privatbahnen** (Swiss Private Railways) – this covers many smaller operators
- BSB/VSU - **Bodensee-Schiffsbetriebe / Vereinigten Schiffahrtsunternehmen für den Bodensee und Rhein** (*See separate entry for Lake Constance*)

In general, you may use FIP coupons and buy single, return and round-trip tickets with the FIP Card for travel without restriction on rail services (exceptions below).

In some locations, tickets must be stamped in platform ticket validation equipment before boarding a train.

#### Discounted ticket purchase online and at TVMs

Self Service purchase is available online from [www.sbb.ch/en/home.html](http://www.sbb.ch/en/home.html) or at Ticket Vending Machines (TVMs).

Use the Half Fare option “Reduziert ½” to obtain the 50% reduction.

In urban areas a request for a ticket from one specific station to another may result in a ticket to or from a Zonal destination. The ticket may cover other carriers (e.g. trams) which are not in the FIP scheme, as the ticket can be used by Swiss Half Fare Card holders. With an FIP Card you can only use the ticket on the services of the companies within the FIP scheme.<sup>74</sup>

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<sup>74</sup> Source: RST Ref 90-081-012/D7564INC



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### ***BLS AG FIP facilities***

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by BLS AG defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the BLS AG railway network.

<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit points with other FIP members</b>
Bern – Konolfingen – Langnau – Luzern	Bern, Luzern
Bern - Burgdorf – Langenthal – Olten	Bern, Olten
Bern - Olten (direct, new line)	Bern, Olten
Bern – Lyss – Biel/Bienne	Bern, Biel/Bienne
Bern – Kerzers – Neuchâtel – La Chaux-de-Fonds	Bern, Ins, Neuchâtel La Chaux-de-Fonds
Bern – Flamatt – Fribourg/Freibourg / – Laupen	Bern, Fribourg/Freibourg
Bern – Schwarzenburg	Bern
Bern – Thun – Interlaken Ost (via Münsingen or Belp)	Bern, Interlaken Ost
Spiez – Brig – Domodossola (via Kandersteg ou/oder LBT/Visp)	Spiez, Brig
Spiez – Erlenbach – Zweisimmen	Zweisimmen
Solothurn – Moutier	Solothurn, Moutier
Solothurn – Burgdorf – Konolfingen – Thun	Solothurn, Thun
Burgdorf – Ramsei – Langnau / – Sumiswald-Grünen	Burgdorf, Langnau
Langenthal – Huttwil – Wolhusen	Langenthal
Büren a.A. – Lyss – Kerzers – Murten/Morat – Payerne	Murten/Morat, Payerne
Basel SBB – Delémont – Biel/Bienne	Basel Délemont Biel/Bienne
Biel/Bienne – Olten	Biel/Bienne Olten
Basel SBB – Olten	Basel SBB Olten
Connecting lines at Olten / Kriegsschlaufe	
Basel SBB – Basel Badischer station	Basel SBB Basel Bad. station
Busland AG: All routes	
Bernese Oberland Shipping: All routes on Lake Thun and Lake Brienz	

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FIP facilities are valid on all rail and bus services provided by BLS (including Busland AG) and *BLS Schifffahrt* services on Lake Thun (German: *Thunersee*) and Lake Brienz (German: *Brienzersee*).

FIP discounted tickets may not be purchased on-board trains. A penalty fare will be levied if passengers do not have a valid ticket.

BLS FIP coupons and FIP discounted tickets are not valid on:

- funicular railways and cable cars
- vehicle transport in Simplon tunnel (Brig <> Iselle di Trasquera)
- vehicle transport in Lötschberg tunnel (Kandersteg <> Goppenstein).

### ***SBB FIP facilities***

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

The following table supplied by SBB defines the boundaries of both SBB and SP FIP availability across the network in Switzerland.

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which the coupons of the carrier mentioned are valid	SBB	BLS	SP
DB AG	Basel Bad Bf	X		
	Konstanz			X
	Schaffhausen	X		X
	Waldshut	X		
FS	Chiasso	X		
	Domodossola	X	X	X
	Iselle transito [ > Domodossola]	X	X	
	Locarno [ > Domodossola]	X		X
	Lugano [ > Porto Ceresio]	X		
	Pino transito	X		
	Tirano			X

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Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which the coupons of the carrier mentioned are valid	SBB	BLS	SP
ÖBB	Buchs (SG)	X		
	St Margrethen	X		
SNCF	Basel SBB	X		
	Delle	X		
	Genève [ > Bellegarde]	X		
	Annemasse	X		X
	Le Châtelard-Frontière (fr)			X
	Le Locle-Col-des-Roches	X		
	Potarlrier	X		
	Vallorbe	X		
BLS	Including all rail routes shown in the BLS section	X		
VSU/BSB	Arbon	X		
	Horn	X		
	Konstanz			X
	Kreuzlingen Hafen			X
	Romanshorn	X		X
	Rorschach Hafen	X		X
	Schaffhausen	X		X
	Stein am Rhein	X		X

Only SP coupons are valid on the line between Domodossola and Locarno as it is operated by *Società Subalpina di Imprese Ferroviarie*.

Holders of FIP free coupons and FIP discounted tickets travelling on EC trains between Switzerland and Italy or on cross-border TGV services must pay the full supplement.

Seat reservations are mandatory on EC trains (requiring the payment of a supplement) and on all TGV trains.

FIP discounted tickets may not be purchased on-board trains. A penalty fare will be levied if passengers do not have a valid ticket.

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FIP facilities are not valid on bus services operated by SBB unless they are providing a temporary rail replacement service.

A map showing the SBB routes on which FIP facilities are accepted is on the RST website [www.railedeliverygroup.com/rst/where-can-i-go.html](http://www.railedeliverygroup.com/rst/where-can-i-go.html)

### ***SP rail and bus FIP facilities***

For public fares, children up to 6 years old travel free. Children up to 16 years old are eligible for a 50% reduction on the adult fare. Persons aged 16 and older pay the adult fare.

FIP discounted tickets must be purchased in advance of travel and cannot be purchased on-board trains.



*The Brusio Spiral viaduct on the Rhaetian railway*<sup>75</sup>

The SP rail and bus operators are:

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ID	Company	Notes
AB	Appenzeller Bahnen	Also a bus operator
ASM	Aare Seeland mobil	Also a bus operator
BDWM	BDWM Transport, Bremgarten	Also a bus operator
BLT	Baselland Transport	Also a bus operator
CJ	Chemins de fer du Jura	Also a bus operator
FART	Ferrovie Autolinee Regionali Ticinesi	Reservations compulsory for <i>Treno Panoramico Vigezzo Vision</i> . Also a bus operator
FB	Forchbahn	Line S18 of the Zürich S-Bahn.
FW	Frauenfeld–Wild-Bahn	
JB	Jungfraubahn	Comprises BGF, BLM, BOB, HB, JB, WAB. Some operators do not accept FIP Coupons.
MBC	Transports de la région Morges-Bière-Cossonay	Also a bus operator
MGB	Matterhorn Gotthard Bahn	FIP coupons not valid between Zermatt and Gornergrat. Reduced rate tickets available. Reservations compulsory for <i>Glacier Express</i> trains (operated jointly by MGB and RhB). No FIP discount on vehicle transport through the Furka Tunnel.
MIB	Meiringen-Innertkirchen Bahn	
MOB	Chemin du fer Montreux- Oberland Bernois	Supplements are payable for the <i>GoldenPass Panoramic</i> .
MVR	Transports Montreux–Vevey– Riviera	
NStCM	Nyon-St Cergue-Morez (Nyon-La Cure)	
OeBB	Oensingen-Balsthal-Bahn AG	
RA	RegionAlps, Martigny	
RB	Rigi Bahnen AG	FIP valid on Vitznau – Rigi Kulm, Goldau – Rigi Kulm, Weggis – Rigi Katlbad (cable car), Kräbel (Goldau) – Rigi Scheidegg (cable car)  FIP not valid on other RB services: Obergschwend – Rigi Burggeist (cable car), Küssnacht – Seebodenalp (cable car), Vitznau – Hinterbergen (cable car), Vitznau – Wissiflüh (cable car), Brunnen – Urmiberg (cable car)

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ID	Company	Notes
RBS	Regionalverkehr Bern-Solothurn	Also a bus operator.
RhB	Rhätische Bahn	Also a bus operator. Supplements payable for <i>Bernina Express</i> . Reservations compulsory for <i>Glacier Express</i> trains (operated jointly by MGB and RhB) No FIP discount on vehicle transport through the Albula and Vereina Tunnels.
SOB	Schweizerische Südostbahn	
SSIF	Società Subalpina di Imprese Ferroviarie	Domodossola to Locarno
STB	Sensetalbahn	Also a bus operator
SZU	Sihltal Zürich Uetliberg Bahn	
THURBO	Regionalbahn THURBO, Kreuzlingen	
TMR	Transports de Martigny et Régions	Also a bus operator
TPC	Transports publics du Chablais	Also a bus operator.
TPF	Transports publics fribourgeois	Also a bus operator.
TRAVYS	Transports Vallée-de-Joux - Yverdon-les-Bains - Sainte-Croix	Also a bus operator
TRN	Transports régionaux neuchâtelois	Also a bus operator
WB	Waldenburgerbahn	Services from Liestal to Waldenburg
WSB	Wynental- und Suhrentalbahn	
ZB	Zentralbahn	

The following table supplied by SP defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SP railway and bus network in Switzerland.

Carrier	Lines	Transit Points with other FIP carriers
AB	Gossau SG-Appenzell-Wasserauen	Gossau SG, Herisau
	St.Gallen-Gais-Appenzell	St.Gallen
	Gais-Altstätten Stadt	
	St. Gallen-Trogen	St. Gallen

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Carrier	Lines	Transit Points with other FIP carriers
	Rorschach-Heiden	Rorschach, Rorschach Hafen
	Rheineck-Walzenhausen	Rheineck
ASM	Biel/Bienne-Täuffelen-Ins	Biel/Bienne, Ins
	Langenthal-St.Urban Ziegelei	Langenthal
	Langenthal-Niederbipp-Oensingen	Niederbipp
	Solothurn-Niederbipp-Oensingen	Solothurn, Niederbipp, Oensingen
	Ligerz – Tessenberg (funicular)	Ligerz
	Bus: all routes	
AVA	Wohlen–Bremgarten–Dietikon	Wohlen, Dietikon
	Schöftland–Aarau–Menziken-Burg	Aarau, Suhr
	Bus: all routes	Oberentfelden
BGF	Grindelwald–First	Grindelwald
BLM	Lauterbrunnen–Grütschalp	Lauterbrunnen
	Grütschalp–Mürren	
BLT	Dornach-Arlesheim-Basel-Rodersdorf	Dornach-Arlesheim, Basel SBB
	Liestal - Waldenburg	Liestal
	Bus: all routes	
BOB	Interlaken Ost–Grindelwald/Lauterbrunnen	Interlaken
	Wilderswil–Schynige Platte	
CJ	Glovelier-La Chaux-de-Fonds	Glovelier, La Chaux-de-Fonds
	Tavannes-Le Noirmont	Tavannes
	Porrentruy-Bonfol	Porrentruy
FART	Locarno-Camedo [>Domodossola]	Locarno, Camedo transito
	Bus: all routes	
FB	Zürich Stadelhofen-Esslingen	Zürich Stadelhofen
GCB	Zermatt–Gornergrat	Zermatt
HB	Interlaken – Harder Kulm	Interlaken
JB	Kleine Scheidegg – Jungfrauojoch	Interlaken Ost
KWO	Meiringen - Innertkirchen	Meiringen
MBC	Bière – Apples – Morges	Morges
	Apples – L’Isletou – Mont-la-Ville	
	Bus: all routes	
MGB	Brig–Zermatt	Visp/Brig
	Brig–Disentis	Disentis/Brig
	Andermatt–Göschenen	Göschenen
	Bus: all routes	
MOB	Montreux – Les Avants-Montbovon-Gstaad-Zweisimmen-Lenk im Simmental	Montreux, Montbovon, Zweisimmen
MVR	Vevey-Blonay - Les Pléiades	Vevey

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Carrier	Lines	Transit Points with other FIP carriers
	Vevey-Chardonne - Mt-Pelèrin (funicular)	Vevey
	Montreux/Territet - Glion-Rochers-de-Naye	Montreux, Territet
	Les Avants-Sonloup (Funicular)	Les Avants
NStCM	Nyon-St-Cergue - La Cure	Nyon
OeBB	Oensingen - Balsthal	Oensingen
RA	RegionAlps, Brig – St. Gingolph	Brig, Martigny, St. Gingolph
	Martigny – Sembrancher - Orsières	Martigny
	Sembrancher - Le Sable	
RB	Rigi Kulm – - -Goldau	Arth Goldau
	Rigi Kulm – - - VitznauGoldau	Vitznau
	Rigi Kaltbad – Weggis	Weggis
	Kräbel (Goldau) – Rigi Scheidegg	
RBS	Bern-Worblaufen - Solothurn	Bern, Solothurn
	Worblaufen - Unterzollikofen	
	Worblaufen - Worb Dorf	
	Bus: all routes	
RhB	Chur - Disentis/Mustér	Chur
	Chur – Arosa	Chur
	Chur – Thusis – Filisur – Bever - St.Moritz	Chur
	Chur – Landquart – Davos - Filisur	Chur, Landquart
	Chur – Landquart – Vereina – Scuol - Tarasp	Chur, Landquart
	St.Moritz – Bever – Scuol - Tarasp	
	St.Moritz – Pontresina – Poschiavo - Tirano	
	Samedan-Pontresina	
Bus Bernina Express Tirano - Lugano	Lugano	
SOB	Romanshorn - St. Gallen – Wattwil – Nesslau - Neu St Johann	Romanshorn, St. Gallen St. Fiden, Lichtensteig, Wattwil, St. Gallen, Herisau
	Rapperswil - Pfäffikon SZ - Biberbrugg - Arth-Goldau	Rapperswil, Pfäffikon SZ, Arth-Goldau
	Wädenswil-Biberbrugg-Einsiedeln	Wädenswil
	Arth-Goldau–Bellinzona via Göschenen-Airolo-or Gotthard-Basistunnel	Arth-Goldau, Bellinzona
SSIF	Zürich HB–Uetliberg	Zürich HB
	Zürich HB–Adliswil–Sihlwald	Zürich HB
SZU	Zürich HB-Uetliberg	Zürich HB
	Zürich HB-Adliswil-Sihlwald	Zürich HB
THURBO	Konstanz-Kreuzlingen-Weinfelden-Wil	Konstanz, Weinfelden, Wil



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Carrier	Lines	Transit Points with other FIP carriers
	Schaffhausen-Kreuzlingen-Romanshorn	Schaffhausen, Etwilen, Stein am Rhein, Kreuzlingen Hafen, Romanshorn
TMR	Martigny-Le Châtelard-Frontière	Martigny, Le Châtelard-Frontière
	Bus: all routes (except: Salvan-La Creusaz-Van-d'en-Haut and Finhaut-Lac d'Emosson)	
TPC	Aigle-Leysin	Aigle
	Aigle-Ollon-Monthey-Champéry	Aigle, Monthey
	Aigle-Sépey-Diablerets	Aigle
	Bex-Villars-sur-Ollon-Col-de-Bretaye	Bex
	Bus: all routes	
TPF	Fribourg/Freiburg-Murten-Ins	Fribourg/Freiburg, Murten, Ins
	Romont-Bulle	Romont
	Palézieux-Bulle-Montbovon	Palézieux, Montbovon
	Bulle-Broc-Fabrique	
	Fribourg/Freiburg-Neuveville-St-Pierre (funicular)	Fribourg/Freiburg
	Bus: all routes	
TRAVYS	Yverdon-les-Bains - Ste-Croix	Yverdon-les-Bains
	Orbe-Chavornay	Chavornay
	Bus: all routes	
TRN	La Chaux-de-Fonds - Les Ponts-de-Martel	La Chaux-de-Fonds
	Le Locle - Les Brenets	Le Locle
	Travers-Fleurier-Buttes	Travers
	Neuchâtel, Pl. Pury Littorail-Boudry Littorail	Neuchâtel
	Bus: all routes	
WAB	Grindelwald-Kleine Scheidegg	Grindelwald, Kleine Scheidegg
	Lauterbrunnen-Wengen-Kleine Scheidegg	Lauterbrunnen, Kleine Scheidegg
	Grindelwald Terminal-Eigergletscher	Grindelwald Terminal, Eigergletscher
WSB	Aarau-Menziken-Burg	Aarau, Suhr
	Aarau-Schöftland	Aarau, Oberentfelden
ZB	Luzern-Meiringen-Interlaken Ost	Luzern, Meiringen, Interlaken Ost
	Meiringen-Innertkirchen	Meiringen
	Luzern-Stans-Engelberg	Luzern

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### ***SP shipping FIP facilities***

Boat services (car ferries excepted) are provided by SP operators on

- Lake Geneva (French: *Lac Lemán*, German: *Genfersee*)
- Lake Lucerne (French: *lac des Quatre-Cantons*, German: *Vierwaldstättersee*)
- Lake Zürich (German: *Zürichsee*)

The SP Boat operators are:

- BSG - Bielersee-Schiffahrts-Gesellschaft
- CGN - Compagnie générale de navigation (Lac Léman (*Lake Geneva*))
- LNM - Société navigation sur les Lacs du Neuchâtel et Morat
- SGV - Schiffahrtsgesellschaft des Vierwaldstättersee
- ZSG - Zürichsee Schiffahrtsgesellschaft

The following table supplied by SP defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the SP shipping services in Switzerland.

<b>Carrier</b>	<b>Lines</b>	<b>Transit Points with other FIP carriers</b>
BSG	Lac de Bienne/Bielersee including: Biel/Bienne-Solothurn (L'Aar/Aarefahrt) and Biel/Bienne-Murten (3 Lakes Tour)	Biel/Bienne, La Neuveville, Solothurn
CGN	Lake Geneva	Genève, Nyon, Morges, Lausanne, Vevey, Montreux, Territet, Villeneuve, St-Gingolph (Suisse), Evian-les-Bains, Thonon-les-Bains
LNM	Lakes Neuchâtel and Morat including: Neuchâtel-Murten and Neuchâtel-Biel/Bienne (BSG)	Neuchâtel, Estavayer, Yverdon, Murten/Morat
SGV	Lake Lucerne (excluding car ferry Beckenried-Gersau)	Luzern, Küssnacht am Rigi, Brunnen, Flüelen, Stansstad, Hergiswil, Alpnachstad, Vitznau, Weggis

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Carrier	Lines	Transit Points with other FIP carriers
ZSG	Lake Zürich <i>Including:</i> Navigation on the Limmat <i>Excluding:</i> Car Ferry Horgen-Meilen	Zürich HB, Zürich Stadelhofen, Zürich Enge, Thalwil, Meilen, Wädenswil, Pfäffikon SZ, Rapperswil, Lachen, Schmerikon

### Summary notes for Interlaken and the Jungfrau area

Most companies operating services from Interlaken to the Jungfrau area are owned by JungfrauBahn AG which comprises formerly independent operators BGF, BLM, BOB, HB, JB, WAB.

SP FIP coupons and FIP fares are available on these routes:

- BOB Interlaken to Lauterbrunnen and Grindelwald
- WAB Grindelwald to Lauterbrunnen via Kleine Schiedegg and Wengen
- BLM Lauterbrunnen to Grütschalp (cable car)
- BLM Grütschalp to Murren (railway)
- JB *Eiger Express cableway* from Grindelwald to Eigergletscher.<sup>76</sup>

On the following services FIP discounted fares are available but SP FIP coupons are not accepted:

- BGF Grindelwald–First (gondola)
- BOB Wilderswil–Schynige Platte (railway)
- HB Interlaken – Harder Kulm (funicular)
- JB Kleine Scheidegg – Jungfraujoch (railway)

FIP facilities are not valid on:

- *Heimwehfluhbahn* funicular from Interlaken to Heimwehfluh
- *Luftseilbahn Wengen-Männlichen*
- *Gondelbahn Grindelwald-Männlichen*, (GGM)
- *Seilbahn Mürren-Allmendhubel* (SMA)
- *Luftseilbahn Stechelberg-Mürren-Schilthorn* (LSMS)

<sup>76</sup> Source RST Ref:90-081-014/D8605INC

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### Summary notes for Zermatt to Gornergrat

On the service between Zermatt and Gornergrat operated by *Matterhorn Gotthard Bahn* (MGB) FIP discounted fares are available, but FIP coupons are not accepted.

### Summary notes for the *Glacier Express*

The *Glacier Express* on the St Moritz – Chur – Andermatt – Brig - Zermatt route is operated jointly by Rhätische Bahn (RhB) and the Matterhorn Gotthard Bahn (MGB). In the summer months there is more than one service per day and some start and end at Chur and Brig.



The *Glacier Express* on the Landwasser Viaduct <sup>77</sup>

SP FIP coupons can be used and FIP discounted fares are available, but reservations are compulsory for travel on *Glacier Express* trains.

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Reservations can be made through International Rail. Advance recommendations are strongly recommended as specific trains are often sold out several weeks in advance.

Other RhB services not branded as *Glacier Express* operate on the St Moritz – Chur – Andermatt – Brig - Zermatt route and can be used with FIP coupons and FIP discounted tickets without reservation.

### **Summary notes for the *Bernina Express***

The *Bernina Express* between Chur and Tirano (Italy) is operated by Rhätische Bahn (RhB). In summer months there is more than one service per day.

SP FIP coupons can be used and FIP discounted fares are available, but supplements are payable for travel on the Bernina Express.

Reservations and supplements can be made through International Rail. Advance recommendations are strongly recommended as specific trains are often sold out several weeks in advance.

Other RhB services not branded as *Bernina Express* operate on the Chur - Tirano route and can be used with FIP coupons and FIP discounted tickets without reservation.

### **Summary notes for the Treno Panoramico Vigizzo Vision**

The Treno Panoramico Vigezza Vision is operated by *Ferrovie Autolinee Regionali Ticinesi* (FART) and *Società Subalpina di Imprese Ferroviarie* (SSIF) on the Domodossola – Càmedo – Locarno route.

SP FIP coupons and FIP discounted fares are available, but reservations are compulsory for travel.

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## Summary notes for the Rigi Mountain Railways (Rigi Bahnen)

FIP facilities valid on Rigi Bahnen from 1 January 2025.

FIP discounted travel with the FIP International Reduced Rate Card and free travel with a FIP Coupon on the following stretches of route:

- Vitznau – Rigi Kulm (rack railway)
- Goldau – Rigi Kulm (rack railway)
- Weggis – Rigi Kaltbad (cable car)
- Kräbel – Rigi Scheidegg (cable car)

FIP facilities are not valid on other Rigi Bahnen services, including:

- Obergschwend – Rigi Burggeist (cable car)
- Küssnacht – Seebodenalp (cable car)
- Vitznau – Hinterbergen (cable car)
- Vitznau – Wissiflüh (cable car)
- Brunnen – Urmiberg (cable car)

## Pilatus Railway (Pilatusbahn)

Holders of the FIP- international reduced rate card for railway staff may get a 50% reduction when buying a ticket at Pilatusbahn counters.<sup>78</sup>

Pilatusbahn is not a member of the FIP organisation and the offer of FIP discounted travel is a concession which may be withdrawn at any time and without notice.<sup>79</sup>

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<sup>78</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-081-014/D8339INC

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# Global Fares and International railway companies

### *Global Fares*

Global Fares on cross border and premium long distance and high-speed services include the FIP discounted ticket price, tunnel charges, seat reservation fee or sleeper/courette charge and in some cases food and drink. They may be quota-controlled and subject to availability.

Unless otherwise specified the 2<sup>nd</sup> class FIP card can only be used to purchase discounted tickets for travel in 2<sup>nd</sup> class.

This table lists services on which Global Fares apply.<sup>80</sup> Not all these FIP facilities may be enabled for sale in retail systems used by Travel Agents. Some may only be available from the station ticket offices of the carrier.

<b>Name Operator</b>	<b>Routes</b>	<b>Conditions</b>
Eurostar (Blue) <i>EIL</i>	London – Bruxelles, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, Lille and Paris.	Booking information here: <a href="http://www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/offers.html">www.raildeliverygroup.com/rst/offers.html</a> <b>Cancellation/exchange:</b> up to departure, no refund thereafter.
Eurostar (Red) EIL (formerly Thalys)	Paris – Amsterdam. Paris – Köln, Dusseldorf, Dortmund	<b>Cancellation/exchange:</b> up to departure, no refund thereafter.
DB / SNCF en ccopération TGV INOUI/ICE France - Allemagne	Several routes  Excludes Paris to Freiburg & Breisgau, and Frankfurt, Stuttgart to Bordeaux which are operated by SNCF.	Passengers must hold a FIP card. FIP cardholders must purchase a ticket plus seat reservation (€20 1 <sup>st</sup> class, €10 2 <sup>nd</sup> class).  Upgrades to 1 <sup>st</sup> class for holders of 2 <sup>nd</sup> class FIP cards are not permitted.  <b>Cancellation:</b> Fully exchangeable/refundable before departure, not thereafter.

<sup>80</sup> Source: RST Ref: 90-075-016/D8609INC

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Name <i>Operator</i>	Routes	Conditions
NightJet ÖBB	Various overnight services	<p><b>FIP Card:</b> Global fare.</p> <p><b>Cancellation:</b> Up to 15 days prior to departure = free. 14-1 days prior to departure = 50% (min €15 per ticket). Day of departure = no refund.</p> <p><b>FIP coupons:</b> coupons must cover entire route (e.g. Germany to Italy: DB, ÖBB and FS)</p> <p><b>Cancellation:</b> Up to 15 days prior to departure = free. 14-1 days prior to departure = 50%. Day of departure = no refund.</p>
Frecciarossa Frecciargento Frecciabianca IC ICN/Espresso (for seats, couchettes, sleepers) <i>TRENITALIA</i>	Domestic routes in Italy	<p>FIP fare discount is given from the flexible fare up to 50% depending on the service.</p> <p>Reservation supplement when using a FS coupon can vary based on travel route and the type of train;</p> <p>Reservation supplement with coupon is both exchangeable and 75% refundable. The tickets whose price is equal or less than <b>€10</b> are not refunded.</p> <p>On ICN 2<sup>nd</sup> class holders can use staff facilities up to Berth 4/triple sleeper only, no upgrade allowed.</p>
Euronight 40476/40457	Budapest – Berlin	FIP fare, FIP Coupon fare and Partial coupon fare available.
Euronight 40462/40467 50462/50237	Budapest-Zurich  Budapest – Munich –Stuttgart	<p>100% refundable up to 1 day before departure of the train. From the day of departure no refund possible. Partial cancellation of a ticket with several passengers is not possible.</p> <p>Breakfast included when booking Berth 4 or higher.</p>



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Name <i>Operator</i>	Routes	Conditions
Euronight 40237/414	Stuttgart – Munich – Zagreb	FIP fare, FIP Coupon fare is available
Euronight 60237/480	Stuttgart – Rijeka – seasonal	100% refundable up to 1 day before departure of the train. From the day of departure no refund possible. Partial cancellation of a ticket with several passengers is not possible.
Euronight 40414/40465	Zurich – Zagreb	
Euronight 40458/40459	Zurich – Praha	
Euronight 406/407	Munich – Warsaw via Wien/Praha	100% refundable up to 15 days before departure; 50% refundable (with a minimum of 15 eur) from 14 days up to 1 day before departure; Not refundable from the day of departure. Partial cancellation of a ticket with several passengers is not possible.  Breakfast (40458/40459) included in sleeper car only.
TGV services including joint with SBB and SNCB, IC & ICN	Domestic	<b>Cancellation:</b> Fully exchangeable and refundable up to departure – non-exchangeable and non-refundable thereafter, including FIP coupon reservations;  On ICN 1 <sup>st</sup> class coupon/FIP is required for booking Couchette 4 option.
EC Austria-Italy	Wien-Venezia	100% refundable until 1 day before departure. From the day of departure no refund possible.
EC Brenner (Germany – Austria – Italy)	Munich – Innsbruck – Verona - Bologna	See pages for Germany, Italy and Austria
TGV international	All routes	Coupons not valid for international TGV routes; however, the coupon can be used on an international connection if the holder plans travelling only within the domestic network.

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Name <i>Operator</i>	Routes	Conditions
Renfe	Domestic	<p>One tariff for both FIP &amp; coupon holders;</p> <p>Coupon holders get free travel on Cercanias services where facilities are valid and regional services without seat assignment;</p> <p>Not exchangeable, only 85% refundable before travel.</p>
Renfe	Madrid – Marseille, Barcelona – Lyon	Currently bookable at the station in Spain only using staff facilities.
EC Switzerland- Italy	<p>Various Swiss cities to various Italian cities</p> <p>Frankfurt – Switzerland – Milan</p>	<p>When booking full route or any route between Italy and Switzerland, the fare is global;</p> <p>A passenger with both SBB and FS coupons in that case needs two reservations: one reservation for Swiss leg and another reservation supplement for Italian leg;</p> <p>This is also valid for Eurocity service Frankfurt-Milan, if booked up to Switzerland is not global fare, up to Italy it is though;</p> <p>The ticket is exchangeable and 75% refundable before travel.</p>

### ***THI Factory - Thalys***

THI Factory operates *Thalys* high-speed services between the Netherlands, Belgium, Germany and France. These trains are branded as Eurostar Red.

For public fares, children up to 4 years old travel free. Children up to 12 years old are eligible for a reduction on the adult global fare. Persons aged 12 and older pay the adult global fare.

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The following table supplied by THI defines the boundaries of FIP availability across the THI railway network.

Neighbouring carrier	Transit points up to which THI facilities are valid
DB AG	Aachen, Duisburg, Düsseldorf, Düsseldorf Airport, Essen, Köln
NS	Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Schiphol
SNCB	Antwerpen, Bruxelles, Liège
SNCF	Paris, Lille

Thalys offer *Premium*, *Comfort* and *Standard*. FIP first class facilities are valid in *Comfort*, and FIP second class facilities are valid in *Standard*. FIP facilities are not valid in *Premium*.

There are no FIP coupons available for free travel on Thalys (Eurostar Red) services.

The FIP Card or International Senior Manager Free Pass may be used to purchase tickets.

FIP discounted tickets cannot be purchased on-board. Where no tickets are held, a supplement of €25 is levied on the on-board purchase of full fare tickets.

### Travelling on a different Thalys train

If you have an FIP discounted ticket and you travel in the same class on a different train to the one you are booked on, you will have to pay the difference between the discounted ticket you hold, and the full fare for the same class.

### Upgrading from Standard to Comfort

If you have an FIP discounted ticket for travel in Standard class and wish to upgrade to Comfort class:

- on the same train, you pay the difference between the ticket you hold, and full fare for Comfort class.

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- on a different train, you pay the difference between the ticket you hold, and full fare for Comfort class plus a supplement of €25.

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### Glossary

This is a glossary of terms used in this document, including transport carrier abbreviations.

Term	Meaning	Notes
<>	Between	i.e. <b>Kandersteg &lt;&gt; Goppenstein</b> means between Kandersteg and Goppenstein.
>	In the direction of	i.e. > <b>Domodossola</b> means in the direction of Domodossola
AB	Appenzeller Bahnen	A rail and bus operator under SP
ASm	Aare Seeland mobil	A rail and bus operator under SP
ATOC/GBPR	Association of Train Operating Companies / Great Britain Passenger Railway	The name given to British membership of FIP through RSTL until 31 December 2019
BDWM	BDWM Transport, Bremgarten	A rail and bus operator under SP
BDZ	Български държавни железници (Balgarski darzhavni zheleznitsi)	Bulgarian State Railways
BLS AG		A Swiss railway company created by the merger of BLS Lötschbergbahn and Regionalverkehr Mittelland AG.
BLT	Baselland Transport	A rail and bus operator under SP
BSB	Bodensee-Schiffsbetriebe GmbH	A shipping company on Lake Constance. BSB manages the VSU FIP arrangements.
BSG	Bieleree-Schiffahrts-Gesellschaft	A shipping operator under SP
ČD	České dráhy	Czech Railways
CFL	Société Nationale des Chemins de Fer Luxembourgeois	Luxembourg National Railways
CFR	Căile Ferate Române	Romanian National Railways
CGN	Compagnie générale de navigation (Lac Léman)	A shipping operator under SP
CIÉ	Córas Iompair Éireann	Irish Transport System incorporating Iarnród Éireann (Irish Rail)
CJ	Chemins de fer du Jura	A rail and bus operator under SP
CLC	Carta di Libera Circolazione	Italian for Free Rail Pass (FIP Coupons fall into this category)
Compositeur	French name for ticket validation equipment. (Italian version <i>Obliteratrici</i> )	Usually based on platforms. Tickets must be inserted to validate them before travel.
CP	Comboios de Portugal	Portuguese Railways
DB AG	Deutsche Bahn	German Railways
DSB	Danske Statsbaner	Danish State Railways
EIL	Eurostar International Limited	

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Term	Meaning	Notes
FART	Ferrovie Autolinee Regionali Ticinesi	A rail and bus operator under SP
FB	Forchbahn	A rail operator under SP
FIP	Facilités de circulation Internationales du Personnel des chemins de fer	International Travel Facilities for Railway Staff. RSTL is a member of this group within the UIC.
FIP Card	A card enabling discounted tickets to be bought. Also known as the International Reduced Rate Card	Can only be used in conjunction with a valid passport.
FIP Coupon	A coupon enabling free travel for a specified duration of time	Can only be used in conjunction with a valid passport.
FS	Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane	Italian State Railways. Passenger services are mostly provided by subsidiary company Trenitalia
FW	Frauenfeld–Wild-Bahn	A rail operator under SP
GB National Rail	Great Britain National Rail	The name given to British membership of FIP through RSTL from 1 January 2020
Grenztarifpunkt	German for Border Tariff Point.	See <i>Transit Point</i>
GySEV	Győr-Sopron-Ebenfurti Vasút	A joint enterprise between Hungary and Austria. Known in Austria as Raaberbahn.
Hbf	Hauptbahnhof	German: Main Railway Station
Hellenic Train		The passenger operator in Greece
hl.n.	hlavní nádraží	Czech: Main Station
HŽ	Hrvatske željeznice	Croatian Railways
ÎDF Mobilités	Île-de-France Mobilités	Formerly STIF. The organisation that controls transport companies in the Paris-area including RATP and SNCF.
KD	Koleje Dolnośląskie	Lower Silesian Railways. Poland
JB	Jungfraubahn	A rail operator under SP
KS	Koleje Śląskie	Silesian Railways, Poland
KW	Koleje Wielkopolskie	Greater Poland Railways
LNM	Société navigation sur les Lacs du Neuchâtel et Morat	A shipping operator under SP
MÁV	Magyar Államvasutak	Hungarian State Railways
MBC	Transports de la région Morges-Bière-Cossonay	A rail and bus operator under SP
MGB	Matterhorn Gotthard Bahn	A rail operator under SP
MIB	Meiringen-Innertkirchen Bahn	A rail operator under SP
MOB	Montreux-Oberland Bernois	A rail operator under SP
MVR	Montreuz-Vevvey-Riviera	A rail operator under SP
NIR	Northern Ireland Railways	
NS	Nederlandse Spoorwegen	Netherlands Railways
NSB	Norges Statsbaner AS	Norwegian State Railways

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Term	Meaning	Notes
NStCM	Nyon-St Cergue-Morez (Nyon-La Cure)	A rail operator under SP
ÖBB	Österreichische Bundesbahnen	Austrian Federal Railways
Obliteratrici	Italian name for ticket validation equipment (French version <i>Compositeur</i> )	Usually based on platforms. Tickets must be inserted to validate them before travel.
OeBB	Oensingen-Balsthal	A rail operator under SP
OSE	Οργανισμός Σιδηροδρόμων Ελλάδος or Organismos Sidirodromon Ellados	Hellenic Railways Organisation based in Greece
PKP	Polskie Koleje Państwowe	Polish State Railways
Points de transition	French for Transit Point	See <i>Transit Point</i>
RA	RegionAlps, Martigny	A rail operator under SP
RailJet		Austrian Federal Railways (ÖBB) and Czech Railways (ČD) joint venture in high speed train services
RATP	Régie Autonome des Transports Parisiens	Public transport operator in Paris
RegioJet		Private Czech provider of passenger rail. Not part of FIP.
RBS	Regionalverkehr Bern-Solothurn	A rail and bus operator under SP
RDG	Rail Delivery Group	The management organisation under which RST operates in Great Britain
RENFE	Red Nacional de los Ferrocarriles Españoles	Spanish State Railways
RER	Réseau Express Régional	Suburban commuter/rapid transit operator serving Paris
RhB	Rhätische Bahn	A rail and bus operator under SP
RJ	Railjet	High-speed train ÖBB and ČD with international services to Germany, Hungary, Switzerland, Czechia and Italy.
RSTL	Rail Staff Travel	The organisation providing staff travel facilities in Great Britain. Part of the Rail Delivery Group.
SBB-CFF-FFS	Schweizerische Bundesbahnen, Chemins de fer fédéraux suisses, Ferrovie federali svizzere	Swiss Federal Railways. Often shortened to SBB-CFF, or just SBB.
SBS	Schweizerische SBS Schifffahrt AG	A shipping company on Lake Constance. Part of the BSB/VSU grouping
SCIC-NRT	Special Conditions of International Carriage for Journeys using Non Integrated Reservation Tickets	The conditions applicable to international rail tickets issued in accordance to the Uniform Rules

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Term	Meaning	Notes
		concerning the Contract of International Carriage of Passengers by Rail (CIV)
SGV	Schiffahrtsgesellschaft des Vierwaldstättersee	A shipping operator under SP
SKM	Szybka Kolej Miejska	Fast City Rail. Rail operator providing services in Warsaw
SNCB/NMBS	Société nationale des chemins de fer belges/Nationale Maatschappij der Belgische Spoorwegen	Belgian National Railways (usually abbreviated to just SNCB)
SNCF	Société nationale des chemins de fer français	French National Railways
SOB	Schweizerische Südostbahn	A rail operator under SP
SP	Swiss Private	An FIP grouping for minor railway companies in Switzerland
SSIF	Società Subalpina di Imprese Ferroviarie	A rail operator under SP
STB	Sensetalban	A rail and bus operator under SP
STIF	Syndicat des Transports d'Île-de-France	Predecessor of IDF Mobilités
SV	Србија Вoз (Srbija Voz)	National Passenger Railways of Serbia
SZU	Sihltal Zürich Uetliberg Bahn	A rail operator under SP
THI	THI Factory	Operator of Thalys international rail services from Amsterdam and Dortmund through Brussels to Paris
THURBO	Regionalbahn THURBO, Kreuzlingen	A rail operator under SP
TMR	Transports de Martigny et Régions	A rail and bus operator under SP
TPC	Transports publics du Chablais	A rail and bus operator under SP
TPF	Transports publics fribourgeois	A rail and bus operator under SP
TrainOSE		The former passenger train service provider in Greece
Transit Point	A fare location which defines the fare boundary of the carrier. (German: <i>Grenztarifpunkt</i> or <i>Übergangspunkte</i> ) (French: <i>Points de transition</i> )	Location suffix (Gr), (fr), (mp), or (ms) has the following meanings: Gr = Grenze (German for <i>border</i> ) fr = frontière (French for <i>border</i> ) mp = mjesto prijelaza (Croatian for <i>Place of transition</i> ) MS/ms = Mitte See (German for <i>Middle of the Lake</i> )
TRAVYS	Transports Vallée de Joux-Yverdon-Ste. Croix	A rail and bus operator under SP
TRN	Transports régionaux neuchâtelois	A rail and bus operator under SP
UIC	Union Internationale des Chemins de fer	International Union of Railways. The international rail transport industry body



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<b>Term</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Notes</b>
URh	Schweizerische Schiffahrtsgesellschaft Untersee und Rhein	A shipping company on Lake Constance. Part of the BSB/VSU grouping
VLB	Vorarlberg Lines Walter Klaus Bodenseeschiffahrt GmbH & Co	A shipping company on Lake Constance. Part of the BSB/VSU grouping
VR	Suomen Valtion Rautatiet	Finnish State Railways
VSU	Vereinigten Schiffahrtsunternehmen für den Bodensee und Rhein	FIP label for Lake Constance Shipping services. Managed by BSB. Comprises BSB, VLB, SBS, URh
WB	Waldenburgerbahn	A rail operator under SP
WSB	Wynental- und Suhrentalbahn	A rail operator under SP
ZB	Zentralbahn (Luzern-Interlaken Ost/Engelberg)	A rail operator under SP
ŽFBH	Željeznice Federacije Bosne i Hercegovine	Railway company of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina
ŽPCG	Жељезнички превоз Црне Горе (Željeznički prevoz Crne Gore)	Railway transport of Montenegro
ŽRS	Жељезнице Републике Српске (Željeznice Republike Srpske)	Republika Srpska Railways, Bosnia and Herzegovina
ŽRSM	Železnici na Republika Severna Makedonija	Railways of the Republic of North Macedonia
ZSG	Zürichsee Schiffahrtsgesellschaft	A shipping operator under SP
ŽSR	Železnice Slovenskej republiky	Railways of the Slovak Republic
ZSSK	Železničná spoločnosť Slovensko	Slovakian Railway Company