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FREE TRAVEL EXTENDED FOR POLICE

NSW Police officers will travel for free on all public transport services while on duty, with the NSW government extending free trips to light rail and privately operated buses and ferries across the state.

Minister for Transport and Infrastructure Andrew Constance said free travel for on-duty police is already available on trains, ferries and State Transit buses, but it made sense to extend it to all public transport services across the state.

“Outside of Sydney it is important our police have the same travel benefits as their colleagues in the city,” Mr Constance said.

“While on duty, officers should use their Opal cards where accepted. On Light Rail and privately operated buses and ferries, they will be able to present their police identification or simply be in uniform to travel on services.”

Minister for Police and Minister for Emergency Services Troy Grant said the changes were designed to make it easier for police who need to travel while they are on duty.

“The men and women of the NSW Police Force are on the frontline day in and day out keeping our communities safe,” Mr Grant said.

“It is only right that they should have access to free transport, making it simpler for them to move around both in the city and their local communities, while also providing an increased visible police presence on public transport services to deter criminal and anti-social behaviour.”

The free travel will only apply to services where a booking is not required.

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