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## Cashless bus fares and fare amnesty

Further measures to stop the spread of coronavirus are being implemented for bus services.

To minimise person-to-person contact, all bus services across the state will be cashless from today, Friday 27 March 2020.

This includes general access and fare-charging school buses.

A fare amnesty is to provide time for passengers to access a smartcard, if available, or other cashless payment options.

This amnesty will be in place until 10 April 2020 to allow all passengers time to adjust to a cashless public bus system.

Passengers without a smartcard should apply for one from their bus operator where available during this period.

Free travel for the next two weeks is not an invitation to undertake additional travel, passengers should restrict themselves to essential journeys.

The move follows Metro Tasmania's implementation of cashless transactions and free travel from yesterday until Friday 10 April.

Everyone is reminded that they must not use public transport if they are supposed to be in isolation or are unwell.