

Australian Capital Territory

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regular Route Services Maximum Fares Determination 2013 (No 2)

Disallowable instrument DI2013–168

made under the

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001, section 23
(Regular route services—power to determine maximum fares)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This instrument provides maximum fares charged to customers using the ACTION bus system. The instrument revokes the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regular Route Services Maximum Fares Determination 2013 (No 1)* (DI2013–2).

The instrument contains the maximum fares payable for travel on ACTION buses by holders of MyWay smart cards and those paying cash fares.

Part A of the Schedule provides fares under the MyWay smart card system. The fare system allows for caps on the amount charged either as a total cost per day or, as the case with a monthly cap, the number of trips taken. For example, the instrument includes a monthly cap trip of 40 trips (30 trips for school students) in a calendar month meaning that any additional trips will be at no cost during that month. A trip is a single fare including any transfers made within 90 minutes.

It is a condition of travel using a MyWay card that passengers tag on and off the bus they are travelling on. If a customer does not comply with this requirement then they will be charged a default fare. A default fare will still be charged to a MyWay card after a passenger has reached the monthly ride cap, or daily fare cap if the passenger fails to tag off, though no fare will be deducted for the trip that has been taken.

Part B of the Schedule provides for cash fares.

Part C of the Schedule provides definitions and validity arrangements for ticket types and eligibility conditions for discounted fares. This part also provides the definition of an exempt person, who, under the instrument, is not required to pay a fare.

This determination reduces the qualifying age for free travel on public transport services from 75 years of age to 70 years of age, provided they utilise a MyWay card or ACTION Gold Card for travel.

It also redefines the provision of free travel for holders of Seniors cards during Seniors Week as it is declared on a year to year basis as the MyWay system is unable to calculate free travel during this week as described in repealed instruments.