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Delaware Memorial Bridge Cash Toll Rate to Increase on April 1, 2025 Bridge Customers Encouraged to Convert to E-ZPass to Avoid Increase

NEW CASTLE, Del. – Effective April 1, 2025, the Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA) will implement a new cash toll rate for all vehicle classes at the Delaware Memorial Bridge. This first phase of a two-phased toll structure plan increases tolls by \$1 for passenger vehicles and \$1 per axle for commercial vehicles (any dual tire vehicle). The DRBA Commission approved Resolution 24-54 late last year, which set into motion the two-phased plan for bridge toll rates.

"Bridge E-ZPass rates for all classifications – including our discount plans – are not affected. This rate adjustment impacts cash paying customers only," said DRBA Executive Director Thomas J. Cook. "We encourage our cash paying customers to sign up for E-ZPass to avoid any toll increase altogether."

E-ZPass is accepted in all Delaware Memorial Bridge toll lanes. To sign up for E-ZPass online, please visit www.ezpassnj.com or the Delaware Memorial Bridge E-ZPass Walk-in Customer Service Center (CSC) who can assist our cash-paying customers with the transition. The CSC is located inside the Vincent A. Julia Building, adjacent to the Bridge Toll Plaza. The hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. or via email at E-ZPasscorrespondenceteam@DRBA.net

Cook noted that because all E-ZPass rates – including commuter and discount plans - are unchanged, approximately 79% of bridge customers will not be impacted with this new toll rate. The goal of this initial phase is to encourage Delaware Memorial Bridge users to convert to E-ZPass. Neighboring toll agencies are expected to proceed with cashless tolling operations soon and the Authority needs to be prepared for that eventuality.

The goal is to increase E-ZPass penetration among Delaware Memorial Bridge customers at or greater than 90%, with the second objective of setting toll rates sufficient to fund an aggressive capital improvement program for our crossing facilities in subsequent years.

The second phase of the toll structure plan will be effective no earlier than January 1, 2027, and could affect all toll classifications.

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DELAWARE MEMORIAL BRIDGE TOLL RATE SCHEDULE Phase I -- April 1, 2025

	N0. OF AXLES	E-ZPass	CASH ¹
PASSENGER CARS (DE-NJ E-ZPass) Including: All Four Tire and less Types (excludes Oversize Tires): SUV, Vans, Pickups & Motorcycles	2	\$4.75	N/A
PASSENGER CARS (Other E-ZPass and Cash) Including: All Four Tire and less Types (excludes Oversize Tires): SUV, Vans, Pickups & Motorcycles	2	\$5.00	\$6.00
COMMUTER DISCOUNT \$27.50 for 22 trips, valid for 30 days Issued only to Passenger Cars	2	\$1.25	N/A
FREQUENT TRAVELER DISCOUNT \$45.00 for 20 trips, valid for 90 days Issued only to Passenger Cars	2	\$2.25	N/A
PASSENGER CAR W/ ONE AXLE TRAILER	3	\$7.50	\$9.00
PASSENGER CAR W/ TWO AXLE TRAILER	4	\$10.00	\$12.00
PASSENGER CAR W/ THREE AXLE TRAILER	5	\$12.50	\$15.00
TWO AXLE TRUCKS Including: All Six and Oversize Tire Types, Buses & Tractors	2	\$12.00	\$14.00
THREE AXLES TRUCKS OR COMBINATION Including: Tractors of Combination Tractor & Trailer Buses (All Three Axle Types)	3	\$21.00	\$24.00
FOUR AXLE TRUCKS OR COMBINATION Including: Tractor or Combination Tractor & Trailer	4	\$28.00	\$32.00
FIVE AXLE TRUCKS OR COMBINATION Any combination of axles amounting to five axles	5	\$35.00	\$40.00
SIX AXLE TRUCKS OR COMBINATION Any combination of axles amounting to six axles	6	\$42.00	\$48.00
SPECIAL PERMIT Any over width vehicle (10 feet)	N/A	\$85.00	\$95.00
SPECIALS Any combination of axles over six axles	per axle	\$7.00	\$8.00

In future years, revenue projections will be insufficient to provide borrowing capacity or cash revenue to fund necessary infrastructure investment projects, which are expected to cost more than \$550 million over the next five years. The following are some of the major capital projects planned at Delaware Memorial Bridge and Cape May – Lewes Ferry during the next several years: Bridge Paint Removal and Recoating (\$37.1 million); Suspension Rope Replacement (\$11.5 million); Bridge Steelwork Repairs (\$52.7 million); Worker Safety/Fall Protection (\$11 million) Ship Collision Protection System (\$30 million); Cashless Tolling (\$21 million); Route 295 Bridge 1 Widening (\$11.5 million); and New Vessel Program at the Cape May – Lewes Ferry (\$60 million).

About the Delaware River and Bay Authority

The DRBA, a bi-state governmental agency created by Compact in 1962, owns and operates the Delaware Memorial Bridge, the Cape May- Lewes Ferry, and the Forts Ferry Crossing. The DRBA also manages two airports in New Jersey (Millville Executive Airport and Cape May Airport) and three in Delaware (Wilmington Airport, Civil Air Terminal and Delaware Airpark). All DRBA operating revenues are generated through the bridge, ferry and airport facilities. For more information, visit www.drba.net.