

Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority
CHILMARK IN-TOWN ROUTE #12: PLANNING for 2012 SEASON

Service description:

VTA Route #12 Chilmark In-Town operates seasonally exclusively within the Town of Chilmark. The service was originally conceived as a parking mitigation measure for the Town's popular beaches, primarily serving the guests of multiple inns and bed-and-breakfasts. The VTA also uses the Route #12 dedicated bus to allow an hourly timed transfer of passengers from VTA Route #5 West Tisbury – Chilmark – Aquinnah via South Road, creating a travel option between the popular destinations of the Gay Head Cliffs and Menemsha. While the use of the bus as a beach bus has declined in recent years, its use as a feeder route to Menemsha has increased substantially.

For 2012, the VTA is seeking to support the Town's expanded objectives for in-town transportation services and accessibility within the Town of Chilmark. The attached proposal for Route #12 will connect a newly created satellite lot off Tabor House Road with Menemsha, Chilmark town center and children's day-camp activities off South Road. Minor deviations of VTA Route #4 West Tisbury – Chilmark – Menemsha via North Road are also proposed during work-commuting hours to attract use of the lot by Menemsha employees. The Lot will see a thirteen hour range of service with the two routes. Route #12 will continue to serve its existing objectives, providing beach and in-town oriented service to the Menemsha Inn, Beach Plum Inn and Captain Flanders House.

The updated Route #12 proposal includes two alternatives related to the service of Squibnocket Beach, another popular destination in Town. One alternative details a pull-in to Squibnocket Road. The other alternative only drives by the top of Squibnocket Road and uses Chilmark Overlook to turn the vehicle around instead. The Squibnocket Beach leg of the route includes the Pickett House.

Planned operating dates: **Sunday, July 1 – Friday, August 31, 2012**

Fair weather only restriction: **Yes, to be determined by VTA operating staff daily and published on the VTA website (vineyardtransit.com).**

Frequency: **60 minutes**

Fare: **\$1 per one-way trip, with transfers from Route #5 accepted, period passes accepted.**

Revenue Service Times: **8:25 AM – 11:52 AM, 12:25 PM – 5:52 PM**
Vehicle block paddle includes built-in driver meal break.

Daily revenue hours: **8.90 hours**

Daily non-revenue hours: **1.55 hours (1 hour paid, 0.55 hours unpaid)**
(0.33 driver report and turn-in, 0.67 deadhead, 0.55 hour meal break)

Daily total hours: **10.45 hours (9.90 hours paid)**

Proposed Route #4 West Tisbury – Chilmark – Menemsha Deviations (July 1 – August 31, 2012):

AM work commuting hours: Deviate three Route #4 trips (7:50 AM, 8:50 AM, 9:50 AM at Lot) to connect the parking lot off Tabor House Road to Menemsha Beach.

PM work commuting hours: Deviate four Route #4 trips (6:14 PM, 7:14 PM, 8:14 PM, 9:14 PM at Lot) in West Tisbury direction after Menemsha and Chilmark Community Center departures.

Operating Dates: July 1 - August 31, 2012
Fair Weather Only Route

Fair Weather Only Route

[illegible]

Operating Dates: July 1 - August 31, 2012
Fair Weather Only Route

Fair Weather Only Route

[illegible]

**Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority
CHILMARK IN-TOWN ROUTE #12: PLANNING for 2012 SEASON**

