#### 2025 Ferry Fare Schedule - Effective February 26, 2025

On January 27, 2025, the Board of Skagit County Commissioners passed a resolution adopting the 2025 Ferry Fare Schedule.

 Resolution Amending Resolution R20230152 and Establishing the 2025 Ferry Fare Schedule

#### Here's what you need to know:

- New ferry fares go into effect on February 26 and will be in effect through December 31, 2025.
- The new fares can be found in Exhibit C of the resolution; please note the posted fare includes the vessel replacement surcharge.

### **FAQs**

What has changed?

- The Board of Skagit County Commissioners has approved a 30% increase on all base fares. Base fares are fares before the surcharge is applied.
- The discounted multi-ride passes have been replaced with a convenience pass. The
  convenience pass offers riders one QR code with multiple trips. The price is based
  on the per trip price of that fare category. Riders will notice slight savings with this
  option due to the surcharge amounts on the passes.
  - Non-peak tickets (including convenience passes) cannot be used during the peak season (May 20 through September 30).
- All tickets purchased in 2025 expire December 31, 2025. There are no refunds.
- New fares have been added for Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) runs, after-hours private charters, and after-hours emergency services.

# When can I buy the new convenience pass?

- The new fare schedule, including the convenience passes will go into effect on February 26, 2025.
- The new e-ticketing system will go live on March 19; however, online sales will be available starting February 26.
- Riders can purchase online or through the app only February 26 through March 19.
- Beginning March 19, riders will be able to purchase online, through the app, or inperson in our terminal ticket office, located at 500 I Avenue, Anacortes, WA. Please note we do not accept cash or checks at our ferry ticket office. Acceptable forms of payment are credit, debit, and contactless payment.
- Cash payments are accepted at 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

#### Why did you stop selling the paper punch cards?

The ferry is transitioning to a fully electronic ticketing system on March 19, 2025.
 Paper punch cards are being eliminated and replaced with QR codes. Additionally, the Board adopted the 2025 fare schedule effective February 26, 2025. The new fare schedule will include convenience passes, which will not be discounted, but offer slight savings on the vessel replacement surcharge price per trip.

#### Will you still offer a needs-based punch card?

• The 5-trip needs-based punch cards will be replaced with a 5-trip needs-based pass, which will be a QR code when the new e-ticketing system goes live on March 19, 2025.

# How do I buy trips if I have run out of punch cards to use?

• Trips can be purchased at the current per-trip rate (click here for the 2023/2024 fare schedule) until the 2025 fare schedule takes effect on February 26, 2025.

# What if I have punch cards I can't use before these dates? Does the county care if I sell or give my old punch cards to my friends or family?

• Skagit County hopes providing this information helps our riders figure out how to use their punch cards before they expire. We are not enforcing any policies regarding the transferability of paper punch cards.

# My company depends on paper punch cards for the continuity of the services we provide. What can we do before the e-ticketing system goes live to make sure our drivers have tickets.

- We want to make sure you can still ride the ferry until then. Commercial customers are encouraged to contact ferry management at (360) 293-6433 during business hours to discuss options. Please ask for Rachel Rowe or Lee Fisher or email at pw@co.skagit.wa.us.
- Ticket sales are available at 1800 Continental Place, in Mount Vernon, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.