

Rambler car fare guidelines

The Executive passed a motion at the Nov.13, 2008 Executive meeting to calculate the suggested car fare per passenger based on the following guidelines:

Gas price/ litre...car fare cents/km

\$0.50 - \$0.749.....5

\$0.75 - \$0.999.....6

\$1.00 - \$1.249.....7

\$1.25 - \$1.499.....8

\$1.50 - \$1.749.....9

Higher gas prices would increase the suggested fare by 1 cent per kilometre for every incremental 25 cents/litre. Gas price is based 87 octane gasoline.

The rate will be adjusted based on the prices shown on a website such as Gas Buddy Calgary (<https://www.gasbuddy.com/gaspricemap?lat=51.0447331&lng=-114.0718831&z=13>). If most prices move out of one price band into another and appear likely to stay that way for a time, then consideration will be given to adjusting the suggested car fare rate. Being a suggested fare, we won't be trying to capture every up and down on a daily basis.

The website calculation that shows on the trip sheets will be adjusted accordingly.

As reference, Canada Revenue Agency's automobile allowance rates for 2024 are:

\$0.70 per kilometre for the first 5,000 kilometres

\$0.64 per kilometre thereafter

<https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/businesses/topics/payroll/benefits-allowances/automobile/automobile-motor-vehicle-allowances/automobile-allowance-rates.html>

Default and other meeting places

The car fare calculation uses default meeting locations depending on destination as follows:

Via the TransCanada Highway or northwest: Shouldice Arena

(<https://www.ramblers.ab.ca/Trips/MeetingPlaces>)

Bragg Creek and Elbow Highway 66: Canadian Tire Richmond Road

Points south (e.g. Highwood, Sheep & Threepoint areas.): Heritage

(<https://www.ramblers.ab.ca/Trips/MeetingPlaces#heritage>

- Alternates just off 22X:
- Red Deer Lake Church (<https://www.ramblers.ab.ca/Trips/MeetingPlaces#rdlchurch>) on Spruce Meadows Green SW, maximum 12 cars on north side of parking lot
- Red Deer Lake School on non-school days
(<https://www.ramblers.ab.ca/Trips/MeetingPlaces#rdlschool>)

Alternate meeting places that may be chosen by coordinators usually involve less carpool distance and the recommended car fare may be adjusted per the following table for common ones such as TransCanada Highway and Highway 22 [TCHand22]; Valley Ridge Drive [valleyridge]; Red Deer Lake Church [rdlchurch] (Red Deer Lake School [rdlschool] is the same). “Δ km” is the round trip reduction in kilometres.

Currently selecting TCHand22 will do this calculation automatically.

default>	Shouldice arena			Heritage
alternate>	TCHand22	valleyridge	assumption	rdlchurch
	Δ km=42.6	Δ km=11.6	Δ km=3.8	Δ km=32.4
Car fare rate				
\$0.05	-\$2	-\$1	\$0	-\$2
\$0.06	-\$3	-\$1	\$0	-\$2
\$0.07	-\$3	-\$1	\$0	-\$2
\$0.08	-\$3	-\$1	\$0	-\$3
\$0.09	-\$4	-\$1	\$0	-\$3
\$0.10	-\$4	-\$1	\$0	-\$3
\$0.11	-\$5	-\$1	\$0	-\$4
\$0.12	-\$5	-\$1	\$0	-\$4

For other meeting places the car fare will have to be manually calculated based on the distance and car fare rate.

Note that the website calculations have been based on Google Maps distance via the shortest distance route at the time the data was retrieved, which may differ from odometer distances and may be via routes that involve gravel roads, e.g. Google calculates the shortest distances to the Highwood via the gravel road southwest of Turner Valley (208th St West); staying on pavement via Longview is 21 round trip kilometres further.