

GENERAL RULES FOR CONCESSION

The detailed rules, procedures, entitlement, purposes, etc for grant of concession are contained under different serial numbers in IRCA Coaching Tariff, Part I (Vol. II) which can be purchased from the General Secretary, I.R.C.A., Chelmsford Road, New Delhi. For any complaints or clarifications, the General Manager or the Chief Commercial Superintendent of the concerned Zonal Railway Administration should be approached. The important general rules for concession, in reference to the above mentioned Tariff, are as under:

1.(a)All concessional fares shall be calculated on the basis of fares for Mail/Express trains irrespective of the type of train, i.e. Mail or Express or Passenger, by which the passenger travels.

(b)Concession shall not be granted for any journey the cost of which is borne by the Central or State Government or a local authority or a Statutory body or a Corporation or a Government Undertaking or a University.

However, the students participating in the tournaments held or recognized by the schools or universities will be eligible to the concession.

(c)Concession shall be admissible only in respect of basic fares. No concession is admissible in respect of other charges, viz. superfast surcharge, reservation fee, etc. However, in cases where concession has been allowed in Rajdhani/Shatabdi/Jan Shatabdi trains, the concession shall be admissible in the total charges (including catering) of these trains.

(d)The concessions will be admissible subject to the minimum distance of 300 Kms, except in the case of students, blind, orthopaedically handicapped/paraplegic persons, TB and Cancer patients, Kidney patients, non-infectious leprosy patients, mentally retarded persons, thalassamia major disease patients, Heart, Hemophilia Patients, War Widows, Widows of IPKF, Widows of martyrs of operation Vijay 1999 (Kargil), Widows of defence personnel killed in action against terrorists & extremists, National Awardee Teachers, Shram Awardee Industrial Workers, Widows of Policemen killed in action against terrorists & extremists, Senior Citizens, Allopathic Doctors, parents accompanying the National Bravery Awardee child, Police Medal Awardees, Dronacharya Awardees coaches, sportsmen, Unemployed Youths for attending interviews for jobs, and their escorts, wherever admissible under the rules, in whose case the above mentioned distance restriction will not apply. However, the distance restrictions otherwise applicable to general public for travel in each individual train will apply for issue of concessional tickets also.

2.Only one type of concession is admissible at a time at the choice of passenger and no person is allowed two or more concessions simultaneously.

3.(a) Break of journey en-route shall not be allowed on a concession ticket for a journey for a specific purpose viz. a student travelling to/from an examination Centre, a Cancer patient travelling to/from a hospital, a professor travelling to/from a Conference, etc. It is allowed only where a break of journey is a natural event.

(b)Passengers breaking their journey are required to have their ticket endorsed from the Station Master where journey is broken.

(c)Passengers terminating journey en route, must surrender their ticket at the station where the journey is terminated. Refund for the untravelled portion on such tickets will not be allowed.

4.Except Senior Citizens, concession on Indian Railway will be admissible on production of the requisite certificate from the concerned Person/Organization in India and the documents issued by

persons/organizations in other countries shall not be valid for the purpose of concession.

5. In the case of Senior citizens, no proof of age is required at the time of purchasing tickets. Concession tickets are issued on demand made through the option in reservation form. However, they are required to carry some documentary proof showing their age or date of birth and produce it if demanded by some Railway Official during the journey. Any document issued by any Government Institution/ Agency/Local Body, like Identity Card, Ration Card, Driving Licence, Pass Port, Educational certificate, certificate from Panchayat/Corporation/ Municipality, or any other authentic & recognised document, is acceptable for this purpose. The Pass Port issued by foreign countries is also valid.

6. The holder of a concession ticket is not permitted to change the ticket to a higher class even by paying the difference of actual fares. However, the categories of persons eligible for concession in first class (and not in AC 2-tier) can purchase tickets for AC 2-tier sleeper also on payment of the first class concessional fare plus difference of actual fares of AC 2-tier sleeper & first class.

7. Save as otherwise specifically provided, concession is not admissible in season tickets, circular journey tickets and prestigious trains like Rajdhani Express, Shatabdi Express, etc. which have separate all inclusive fare structure. Concession is admissible to any one in Garib Rath Express trains.

8. In case where concessional Single/Return Journey Tickets or Season tickets or Circular journey tickets are to be issued for two or more persons, the concessional fare shall be calculated separately for each person.

9. All the concessions are to be granted across the counters at Stations/ Reservation Offices/Booking Offices only. If some person enters the train without ticket or without proper ticket or extends journey on concession ticket or changes the concession to higher class, etc., he shall not be granted any concession in train, even if he is otherwise eligible for it under the rules.

Student concession

School concession order issued to students which are duly verified may be excepted any reservation centre in Jaipur area namely Gandhinagar-Jaipur or Durgapura-Jaipur, for the purpose of issue of ticket, irrespective of the fact that the same is addressed to a particular station superintendent /Station Master in Jaipur areas as the facility of issue of ticket of any train is available at these computerized reservation centre.

RAIL TRAVEL CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE TO VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF PASSENGERS

Sr.No.	Persons eligible for concession	Concession available	Purpose of journey	Subject to condition
1.	Children under 5 years of age	Free Travel in all classes	None	None
2.	Children of 5 years and under 12 years of age.	50% in all classes	None	None
3.(i)	Students upto the age of 25 years(27 years in case of SC/ST)	50% in second/sleeper class	1)To home town & back 2) Educational purpose or	Certificate from Head of Educational Institution and certificate from the concerned University or examining

			for examination 3)Students appearing for examination or private candidate	authority.
3.(ii)	Boy students upto Std.10 th and Girls students upto 12 th Std.	Free MST's in second class only	Between station serving their place of Residence and School only	Subject to all other terms and conditions applicable for issue of MST's to students. They will not be valid to travel in any Mail/Express trains
4.	Cadets or Marine Engineer	50% in second/sleeper class	Traveling between their home and training ship at the beginning and end of each term	Letter of authority Captain Superintendent of training ship/Director/Officer in charge.
5.	Unemployed youth upto the age of 35 years.	50% in second/sleeper class	To appear in interview for jobs in PSU's, Central/State Govt. Offices, Statutory bodies, Universities, Govt. undertaking, Municipal Corps & Public sector.	1) Attested copy of call letter from concerned organization indicating date and place of interview. 2) Copy of the application form submitted by the candidate.
6.	Senior citizens of age 60 years and above in case of irrespective of distance(all classes inclusive of Rajdhani/Shatabdi type trains)	30% All classes of all trains	None	For senior citizen who want to avail the concessions he /she must demand the same in writing, either on the reservation Requisition form or submit an application in this regard giving his/her name, age, sex and residential address of the concerned senior citizen and should carry documentary proof showing age or date of birth issued by any Govt. Institution/Agency/Local body like Identity card, Ration card, Driving license, Passport, Educational certificate from Local Bodies like Panchayat/Corporation/Municipality or any other authentic and recognized documents The concessional fare shall continue to be calculated on the basis of fares for Mail/Express trains irrespective of type of trains i.e. Mail or Express of Passenger by which the passenger travels. When the senior citizens fail to produce the documentary proof of age during journey, they are treated as without ticket and penalised as per rules.

7.	Widows of IPKF personnel killed in action in Sri Lanka	75% in second/sleeper class	None	Copy of Identity card issued by Distt. Sainik Board
8.	Widows of policemen killed in action against terrorists and extremists.	75% in second/sleeper class	None	Copy of Identity card issued by the Superintendent of Police or Dy.Commissioner of Police.
9.	Industrial workers Honoured by Prime Minister Shram Award	75% in Second/Sleeper class	None	Copy of identity card issued by Ministry of labour.
10.	Teachers honoured with National Award by President of India	50% in second/sleeper class	None	Copy of identity card issued by District Education Officer of the state Govt.
11.	Either parent accompanying child recipient of National Bravery Award.	50% in second/sleeper class	Concession to the parent is admissible only when he/she is accompanying the child, free travel for age upto 18 years	Copy of Identity card issued by the Indian Council for Child Welfare.
12.	Orthopaedically Handicapped/Paraplegic persons/patient.	75% in First class, 3AC, AC Chair Car, sleeper and second class	Cannot travel without the assistance of an escort.	Medical certificate issued by a Govt. Doctor in prescribed proforma.
13.	Orthopaedically Handicapped/Paraplegic persons/patient	50% in AC first class and AC 2 Tier	Cannot travel without the Assistance of an escort.	Medical certificate issued by a Govt. Doctor in prescribed proforma.
14.	Mentally Retarded person with escort only.	75% in AC Chair Car, 3AC, First, Second, sleeper class 50% in AC 2 Tier & AC First class also	None	Medical certificate issued by a Govt. doctor in prescribed proforma.
15.	Totally Deaf & Dumb persons (both affliction together)	50% in First, Second, Sleeper	None	Medical certificate issued by a Govt. Doctor in prescribed proforma
16.	Blind persons with or without escort.	75% in AC Chair Car, 3AC, First, second, sleeper class 50% in AC 2 Tier & AC First class also	None	Certificate issued by a Registered Medical Practitioner/Head of the Institution for Blind/Govt. Doctor/Hospital.
17.	Thalassemia Major disease patients alone or with an attendant(or both)	75% in First, Second sleeper	Traveling for a admission/treatment/ periodic check up in recognised hospital where Thalassemia Major Disease patients are treated.	Certificate issued by Officer in-charge of the recognized hospital.
18.	Non-infectious	75% in First,	Traveling for periodical	Certificate issued by Officer In-

	Leprosy patients.	Second sleeper	checkup/Admission to or on discharged from recognised Leprosy Hospital/Clinic/ Institution.	charge of recognised hospital
19.	T.B.(alone or with escort)	75% in First Second, sleeper	Traveling for periodical checkup/admission to or on discharged from recognised Hospital/ Sanatoria.	Certificate issued by Officer In-charge of the recognised T.B.Hospital/Sanatorium.
20.	Cancer patients (alone or with an escort)	75% in First Second, sleeper	Traveling for periodical checkup/admission to or on discharged from recognised Hospital/Institution	Certificate by issued by Officer In-charge of the recognised Cancer Hospital/Institution.
21.	Heart Patient(alone or with an escort)	75% in first, Second , sleeper	Traveling of Heart Surgery in recognised hospital & return	Certificate issue by Officer In-charge of the recognised Hospital
22.	Member of St.John Ambulance Brigade or Relief Welfare Ambulance Corp. Kolkatta.	25% in Second. sleeper	Traveling to arrange for organization/ Management at St.John ambulance competition Camps.	Certificate from the Secretary or Asst.Commissioner, Staff Organization, Relief Welfare Ambulance.
23.	Bharat Scouts * Guides in Uniform for scout duty	50% in Second, sleeper	Traveling in parties of not less than four.	Certificate from scout or Guide counter signed by Secretary/Commissioner, National HQ Distt.Commissioner of the State
24.	Foreign Students studying in India	50% in Second, sleeper	To attend camps, seminar or other places of importance during vacation.	Certificate issued from Secretary Welfare Officer.
25	Students and non-students youths	25% In Second, sleeper	To participate in work camps organized by recognized educational, social or cultural organizations or occasions of natural calamities.	Certificate from the concerned organization.
26.	Students appearing for examination as private candidates.	50% In Second, sleeper	For appearing in University examination, examination conducted by State/Central Govt.	Certificate from University Authority.
27.	Research scholars	50% in Second ,sleeper	Traveling in connection with research work	Certificate issued by the Registrar of the University
28.	Teachers of Primary/Secondary School.	25% in Second , sleeper	Traveling on Educational Tours.	Certificate from the Head Master/Mistress, Principals, Dist.Inspector/ Educational Officer, Sub.Divisional Educational Officer
29.	Trained Students Nurses and Mid-wives	25% in Second, sleeper	Traveling on leave or duty.	Certificate signed by the Secretary.

30.	Sports persons traveling for participating in tournaments 1) State/National/All India 2)For National (other than all India level match)& International championship	Second/ Sleeper - 75% First -50% First - 75%	Traveling to participate in State/All India/National /Inter National tournaments held or recognized by state or Educational Boards or University and State/All India Sports Associations including Olympic Association.	Certificate from Hon.Secretary, Registrar of University, Secy.Association of Indian University, Hony,Secy.of All India Sports Association and their State units, Secretaries of Olympic Associations/State/Olympic Committees
31.	Bonafied Professional Entertaining parties	50% in Second, sleeper	Traveling to participate in specific performances.	Certificate from National School of Drama, new Delhi.
32.	Kisan and Industrial Labourers	25% in Second, sleeper	Traveling in group of Minimum of 20 to visit River Valley Project/Agricultural/Industrial exhibition at National level. For participating in specific performances.	Certificate from authorized undertaking
33.	Artist(Amateur only)	Second, Sleeper-75% First- 50%	For participating in specific performances.	Certificate from 1) Civil authorities that the performance is exempted from payment of entertainment tax. 2) An undertaking from organization that the performance will either be free of any entrance fee or that the net sale proceeds will be donated to a recognized charity.
34.	Industrial worker (Trainees)parties of not than 20 sponsored by the Regional Director ,Labour Department	50% Second/ Sleeper	Traveling in parties of not less than for undergoing training in Trade Union.	Requisite certificate from the Director of Institute.
35.	Volunteers of the service Civil International	25% Second, sleeper	Traveling to attend camp, from one camp to the other, for Official business.	Certificate from the Service Civil International Representative in India or Secretary of their branches in India
36.	Police personnel of 60 years and above who have received President's police Medal for	30% All classes of all trains	None	Identify card containing 1) Date of birth & Sex

	distinguished service.			<p>of the awardees</p> <p>2) Date of receipt of the award.</p> <p>3) Certificate that the person is a recipient of President's Police Medal for distinguished service</p> <p>4) Signature/Thumb impression of the recipient.</p> <p>5) Signature and stamp of the officer issuing the certificate.</p>
37.	Widows of Martyrs of Operation Vijay in 1999 in Kargil without any distance limits.	75% in Second, sleeper class	None	<p>Identity card containing</p> <p>1) Photograph, Name, age, identification marks and signatures/Thumb impression of the concerned widow</p> <p>2) Certification that the holder is the widow of Shri (Name of her husband) who laid down his life during "Operation Vijay" in 1999 in Kargil. The original identity card should be produced for inspection at the time of purchasing ticket and also during journey if demanded by a Railway Official</p>
38.	Press Correspondents	Coupon books are issued at 50% concession for travel upto 30000 Kms per annum for bonafide press works.	Concession to the Press Correspondents Accredited to Head Quarter of the Govt. of India and State Govt./Union Territories and Distt.HQ.for issue of coupon books in all classes for journey upto 30000 kms in a year	<p>Coupon books are issued from nominated stations on production of a requisite certificate from</p> <p>1) Dy.Principal Information Officer in case of Correspondents Accredited to HQ of Govt. of India</p> <p>2) Director of Publicity in case of</p>

				correspondents Accredited to HQ of State Govt.and Union Territories.
39.	Allopathic Doctor	10% Concession in all class of all Mail/Exp. train including Rajdhani, Shatabdi trains Not available on Season / Circular / Special trains/ Special coaches	To be available to Railway administration whenever needed during journey	Concession to the Allopathic Doctor who have MBBS Degree from Reputed University and are registered with Indian Medical Council
40.	Kidney Patient	75% in First Class, 3AC- AC-Chair Car, Sleeper and Second. 50% in First AC and 2-AC Not Available in Rajdhani /Shatabdi/ Jan Shatabdi	For self and escort when traveling for Dialysis and Kidney transplant operation	On production of the prescribed certificate from the officer in charge of the recognized hospital where the patient is being treated.

Complimentary Passes

Gallantry Awardees

Earlier, concession in rail fares was allowed to Arjuna Awardees, Gallantry Awardees recipients of Param Vir Chakra, Ashok Chakra, Mahavir Chakra, Kirti Chakra, Vir Chakra and Shaurya Chakra and widow of such post humous awardees and licensed porters (coolies). Now these categories of persons are issued complimentary passes instead of concession. The complimentary passes are issued by the office of Divisional Railway Manager concerned as well as headquarter office of North Western Railway.

NOTE:

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except for senior citizen (4) Concessional tickets to higher class:- In cases where some person is eligible for concession in first class and is allowed under the rules to purchase ticket for AC2 Tier also on payment of difference of fares, the safety, surcharge will be levied for AC2 Tier (and not first class)