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## **Tell the operator.**

*If you miss your stop or if there is an emergency, tell the operator. Follow the operator's instructions. MTA operators can get help from the police, fire department or rescue personnel, if needed.*

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## **Wait before crossing the street.**

*Wait until the bus has left the bus stop before you cross the street. Look both ways before crossing the street and ALWAYS cross in the crosswalk.*



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# MTA Maryland Safety Tips LOCAL BUS



## **Wait at the bus stop.**

*You can only board the bus at designated MTA stops.*

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## **Stand at a safe distance back from the curb.**

*If the bus approaching is the one you want, you can let the operator know by waving your hand. Be sure to stay clear of the bus until it has stopped completely.*

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## **Do not run for the bus.**

*Allow enough time to get to the bus stop before the scheduled arrival time. Once the bus has pulled away from the bus stop, MTA operators are not allowed to stop for passengers. If you miss the bus, wait for the next one.*

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## **Watch your step getting on or off the bus.**

*Place your feet solidly on each step. NEVER skip or jump over the steps. WHEN EXITING BY THE REAR DOOR, HOLD ON TO THE HANDLE until you have stepped completely off the bus.*



**Do not play  
on the bus.**

*Disorderly conduct can lead to injuries or your being asked to leave the bus.*



**Hold on  
when  
standing.**

*Use the handrails and bars to steady yourself while standing or walking on a moving bus. **NEVER** stand or sit in any of the bus stairwells or lean against the doors.*



**Do not stand  
in front of  
the yellow  
line.**

*The areas between the driver and the front door must always be kept clear.*



**Keep inside  
the bus.**

*Extending any part of your body (head, hands or arms) out bus windows is very dangerous.*



**Keep aisles  
clear.**

*Most MTA buses have a small amount of space beneath each seat to store bookbags and other small articles. If you cannot place it under the seat, hold it. **NEVER** put your legs in the aisle. The aisle must be kept clear for others to walk.*



**Remember:  
Safety  
First!**