

your bus guide

Where the bus stops

- Bus stops are identified by a bus pole and flag, which shows route numbers. Most stops have a bus shelter which usually displays a route map and bus timetable. Otherwise this can be found attached to the flag pole.
- Use the interactive map on the Optimum² website (www.clevercommuting.info) to find the location of your nearest bus stop and the services that stop there.

Boarding the bus

- Go to your bus stop
- As the bus is approaching the stop, signal to the driver with an outstretched arm that you wish to board the bus.
- As the bus pulls up to the stop, be sure to read the destination sign on the front to check that the bus will take you where you want to go. If you are unsure you can ask the driver when the bus stops.
- Get on the bus. Lothian Buses only accept exact change. The adult fare is 80p or £1 depending on your destination. Fare stages can be found on the route map information in the bus shelter or on the flag pole. If you are still uncertain about how much to pay, ask the driver.
- The fare box is directly in front of you as you board. Pop your money in the box and ask the driver for 80p or £1. Tickets in paper form are ejected from a machine to the right of the fare box. Day passes can also usually be bought in the same manner and will allow unlimited travel on all buses of the same company all day.

Getting off the bus

- Press the nearest STOP button located on the bus poles to signal the driver to stop at the next stop. Make sure you give enough time for the driver to stop safely.
- If the bus has two sets of doors, you should exit from the rear set of doors.