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## **DART Riders Can Expect Delays During St. Patrick's Day Parade**

Public transit users can expect service delays from approximately noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday due to the St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Des Moines.

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority advises the riding public to plan for the following service changes that will be in effect during the parade:

- **The 12:45 p.m. lineup for Routes 1, 3, 4, 5 and 11 will be moved to Grand Avenue between Fifth Avenue and Eighth Street. "Lineups," usually held on Walnut Street, are when buses converge downtown to allow transfers.**
- **Routes 6 and 7 will be temporarily split into Routes 6 and 7 North and Routes 6 and 7 South.**
- **Routes 6 and 7 North will service the northern portion of their regular routes during the parade. The 12:45 p.m. lineup will occur on Grand Avenue.**
- **Routes 6 and 7 South will service the southern portion of their regular routes during the parade. The 12:45 p.m. lineup will occur on Walnut Street.**

Service is expected to run normally throughout the morning, including the 11:45 a.m. lineup at Walnut Street. The service should return to its regular schedule in the early afternoon, including the 1:45 p.m. lineup at Walnut Street.

The temporary changes were planned to avoid overly long delays for customers, but modest delays are anticipated during the parade. Customers are advised to plan their trips accordingly.

More detailed detour information is available online at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com). For additional information, customers can call 515-283-8100 or email [dart@ridedart.com](mailto:dart@ridedart.com).

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