Tariff regulations for the Deutschlandticket

1. Policy

The Deutschlandticket is a fare offer for local rail passenger transport (SPNV) and local public passenger transport (ÖPNV) that is valid throughout Germany and is funded by the Federal Republic of Germany and the federal states. It shall be valid from 1 May 2023.

The tariff regulations laid down here apply to the Deutschlandticket and are bindingly applicable by all participating transport companies of the SPNV and the ÖPNV in Germany. These tariff regulations supplement the existing tariff and transport conditions of the participating transport associations, the state tariffs and the Deutschlandtarif as well as the transport conditions of the participating rail transport companies of the SPNV and the participating transport companies of the ÖPNV, insofar as nothing else emerges from the following regulations.

The conditions of the transport company holding the contract apply to the issue of the Deutschlandticket.

2. Travel entitlement, terms of use and scope of application

The Deutschlandticket entitles the holder to unlimited use of the trains of the SPNV in the tariff area of validity of the Deutschlandtarif in the 2nd coach class as well as the other means of transport of the ÖPNV in the territorial scope of application of the tariffs of the participating transport companies, transport associations and state tariff companies in the respective period of validity. This includes areas of validity abroad, insofar as the tariff area of the respective association/company extends to the area abroad on the basis of a corresponding agreement. Public transport includes transport by trams and trolleybuses as defined by the Passenger Transport Act (PBefG) as well as by motor vehicles in scheduled local transport according to Sections 42 and 44 PBefG. Scheduled local transport services in accordance with Section 43 PBefG fall within the scope of application insofar as they are generally accessible in accordance with Section 2 paragraph 4 PBefG.

The Deutschlandticket is not valid on means of transport that are operated predominantly for tourist or historical purposes.

The use of long-distance trains with the Deutschlandticket is generally excluded. Regulations deviating from this (e.g. within the framework of integration concepts) will be announced in the area of validity of the Deutschlandticket for rail transport.

The Deutschlandticket is non-transferable and is issued as a personal ticket that includes at least the passenger's surname, first name and date of birth. This ticket is issued in the form of a chip card and as a mobile phone ticket. The Deutschlandticket may be issued as a digitally controllable paper ticket (with a barcode) by the contracting companies that provide the Deutschlandticket via a chip card as a carrier medium for the time being until the digital ticket is delivered or made available, at the latest until 31 December 2023. A Deutschlandticket issued as a paper ticket is valid for a maximum of one calendar month. For identification purposes, an official photo document must be carried and presented when the tickets are inspected.

The Deutschlandticket does not include free accompanied travel for persons over 6 years of age.

The Deutschlandticket only entitles you to use only the 2nd class coaches.

A switch to the 1st class coaches is possible within the areas of validity of transport associations, regional tariffs and the Germany tariff, transfer in accordance with the respective tariff regulations.

In order to take a bicycle with you, a regular bicycle ticket must be purchased, insofar as the carriage of bicycles on the respective journey is subject to a charge.

In order to take a dog with you, a regular ticket offer must be purchased, insofar as the carriage of dogs on the respective journey is subject to a charge.

3. Term of the contract and termination

The Deutschlandticket can be purchased at the sales points set up by the transport companies, transport associations and state tariff organisations for season ticket products or through their sales channels.

The Deutschlandticket is issued on a subscription basis. Subscriptions can be taken out on the first of each month.

The subscription is taken out for an indefinite period and can be cancelled monthly. Notice of termination must be given by the 10th of the month to the end of the respective calendar month. In the event of a termination of the subscription, the Deutschlandticket is valid until the close of business after the end of the last day of this calendar month, but no longer than until 3.00 a.m. on the following day.

In addition to the option of terminating on a monthly basis, a fixed term of 12 months can also be offered in conjunction with other passenger transport products.

4. Carriage charge

The price for the Deutschlandticket subscription is € 49.00 per month when paid monthly. An annual payment of twelve times the monthly amount can be offered.

For services that only operate on demand (e.g. on-demand services, call shared taxi, call bus) and for daily rail services with special forms of operation (e.g. narrow-gauge railways with steam traction), a surcharge may be levied in accordance with local fare regulations.

5. Job ticket

The Deutschlandticket can be offered as a discounted job ticket.

This job ticket can be used by employees whose employer has concluded an agreement with a participating transport association or transport company concerning the purchase of the Deutschland-Jobticket. Employers as defined by this provision may be companies, administrations, authorities and other institutions.

The fare for the Deutschlandticket as a Job Ticket is the fare according to Section 4 minus 5% discount. The prerequisite for the discount is that the employer provides a subsidy for the Job Ticket that amounts to at least 25% of the fare in accordance with Section 4.

6. Passenger rights

For journeys by rail, the passenger rights according to Part A No. 8 of the Tariff Conditions of the Deutschlandtarif as well as Part C No. 8 of the Tariff Conditions for Season Tickets in the Deutschlandtarif apply in their respective approved and published version, available on the Internet at www.deutschlandtarifverbund.de.