



The Hon Victor Dominello MP

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FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORT TRAVEL FOR VETERANS AND ADF PERSONNEL ON REMEMBRANCE DAY

Current Australian Defence Force personnel, war veterans and their families will be able to access free public transport services to and from Remembrance Day ceremonies, Minister responsible for Veterans' Affairs Victor Dominello MP said today.

"Every year, on 11 November at 11 am – the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month – we pause to remember those men and women who have died or suffered in all wars, conflicts and peace operations," Mr Dominello said.

"The sacrifice they have made for our country – and the efforts of those people currently involved in serving for the Australian Defence Forces – deserves our recognition.

"It is only appropriate that the NSW Government assist with the provision of free public transport for veterans and their families to allow them to get to and from Remembrance Day ceremonies," Mr Dominello said.

Existing Australian Defence Force personnel, war veterans and their widows or widowers can travel free on public transport on Remembrance Day if they are in uniform, wearing medals or have a letter from their local RSL branch.

The families of Australian Defence Force personnel and veterans can also travel for free, if they are travelling with their eligible relative.

The free travel is available on CityRail and Sydney Ferries services and also those services offered by Sydney metropolitan and outer metropolitan bus operators.

Rural and regional bus operators will also be encouraged to offer free services.

For more information about using public transport to travel to and from a particular event, visit www.131500.com.au or call 131500.

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