

Victoria Tramway Passenger Tickets

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Melbourne Tramway & Omnibus Co Ltd



1½d city ticket red/pink board, rouletted top & bottom



3d black/blue



Blue/white board with red "D"; red/white board

Melbourne & Metropolitan Tramways Board

Cable tramways



Prepaid 1½d red/yellow board





Flimsies, Cable tram, 2d (2 sections) black on white, 2d same with 2 red stripes; 2½d Sun/hol black/white with red stripes, 3d purple/off white (all black numbers)



(A1933) transfer purple/off white (2 lines)



(A1933) transfer purple/off white

Cable line transfer?



(both) black/grey



(both) black/buff



blue green/buff

Electric tram

Printed on board¹



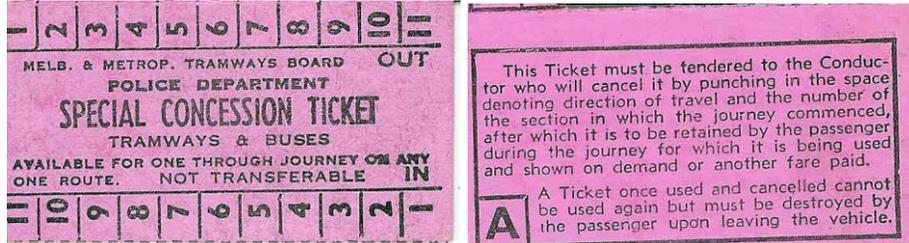
(both sides)



¹ Token tickets at 4 for 6d first sold in 1922, from Annual Report noted in *Ticket News* 1/1994.

Prepaid tokens, printed in colour on coloured card on both sides with check letters
 1½d blue/white(S, 2 types), 1½d purple/yellow (G not shown), 1½d green/yellow (E,V),
 3d dark blue/pink (P)
 larger size: 2d green/blue (U,J), 2d blue/grey (P), 2d red/dark blue (S), 2d black/blue (T),
 2d red/light blue (V), 2d black/green (D)
 also seen (*not shown*) 1½d purple/white R, blue?/white S; 2d TRAMWAY TICKET
 black/purple? P (all ex Ebay 0706)

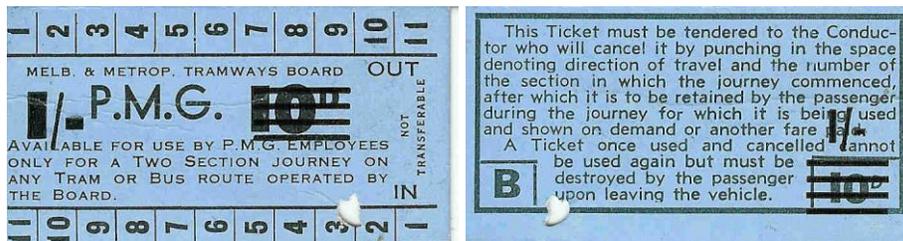
Special use prepaid tickets (both sides shown)



Police: black/pink card (shades)



PMG red/blue card

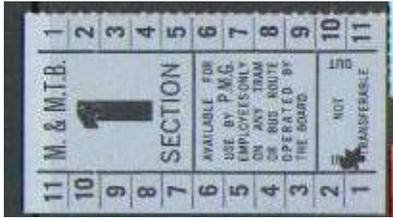


PMG black/blue card: 6d, 1/-, 1/- on 10d

Note: For other types, see the section "The Modern Scene"



black/blue 5d 7d/6d, 10d/9d, 1/6 on 1/-?

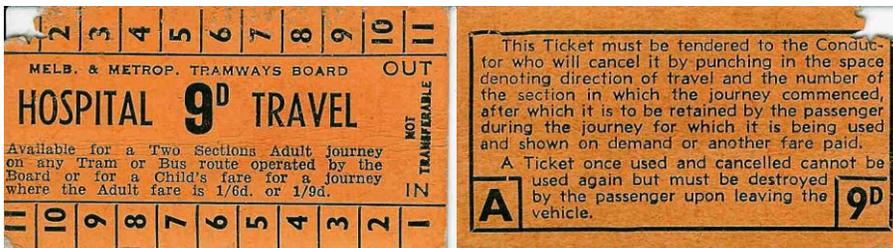


1 section PMG (11 section type similar to Hospital *below*) black/blue

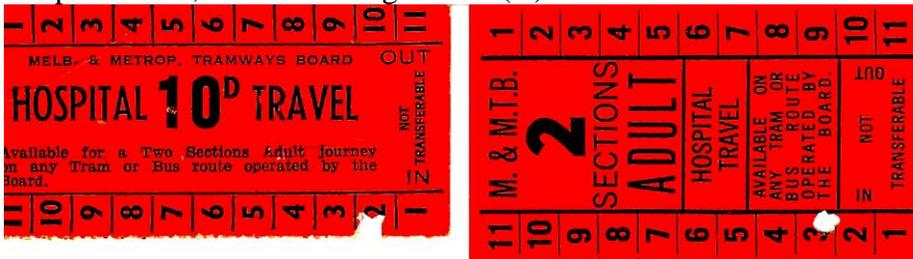


Scholar's concession, black/white board

2 sections, 3 sections, 4 sections, 5 sections, 6 sections



Hospital travel, 9d black/orange board (A)



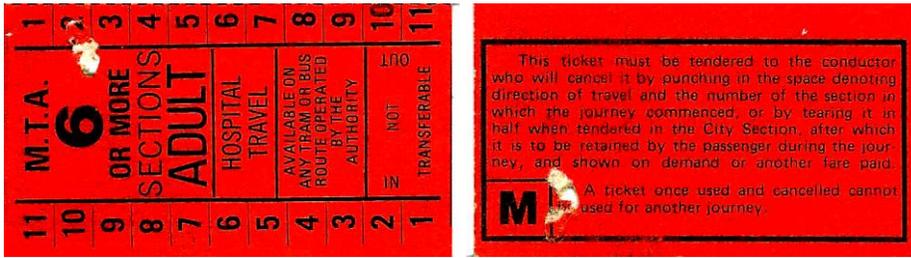
MMTB: black/dark red: 6d (B), 10d (B), 1/-, 1/5; section adult black/dark red: 2(F), 5(F), 7 (F), 2 section child black/red, 3 section adult black/red.



(Reduced to 60%)

1/5 on 1/2 black/red (tram or bus)

NB these tickets are rouletted between



MTA: Hospital travel, 6+ sections black/red card (M), 2 sections adult black/red card (M)



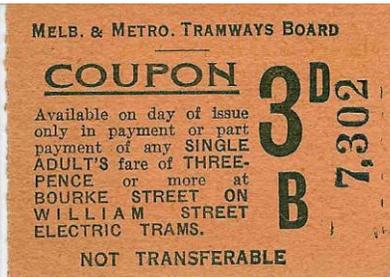
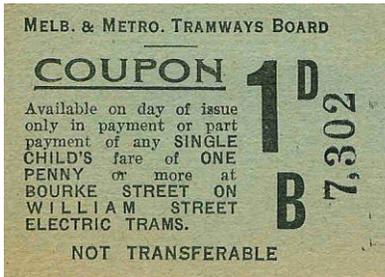
Incapacitated soldiers: black/green 6d, 7d, 1/-, 1/10, 2/2 (bus only)



School swimming classes, 2 part ticket, 2 sided, rouletted purple/off white board (2 types: above left & below), black/off white board (above right)



Scholar's concession, 2d black/buff board, 3d ditto

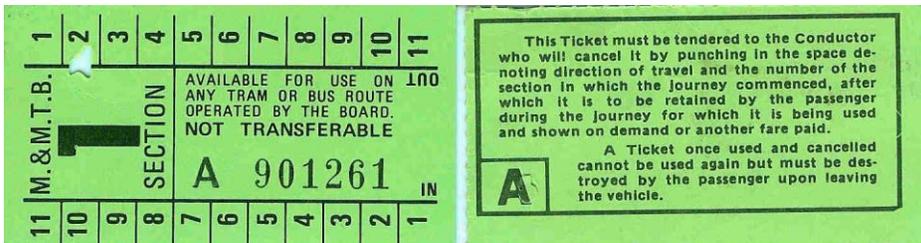


Coupon 1d child black/green board, 3d black/orange board

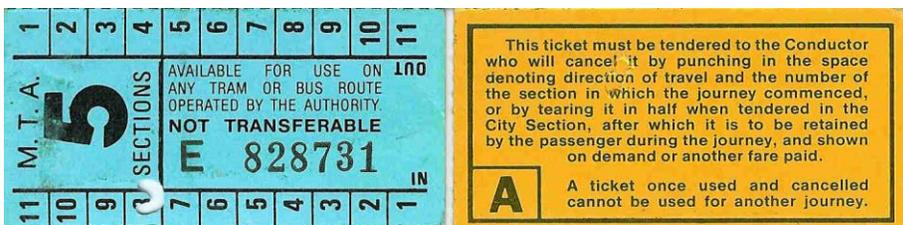


Incapacitated soldiers black/green 6d 7d 1/- 1/10

General use

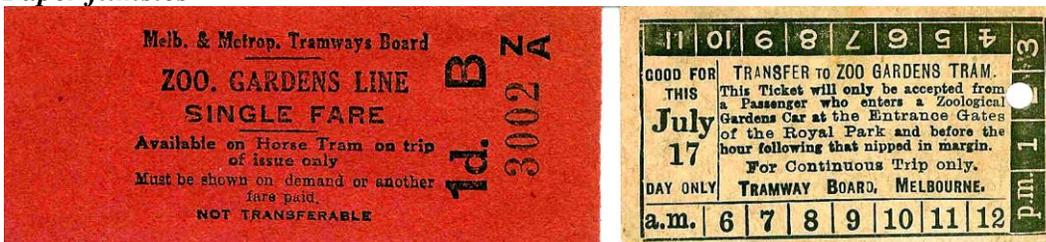


M&MTB: 1 section black/green, 1 section black/light blue, 2 red, 2 red child, 3 salmon, 3 red adult, 5 light blue, 10 yellow



MTA: 5 section black/blue card (A), 10 section black/yellow card (A)

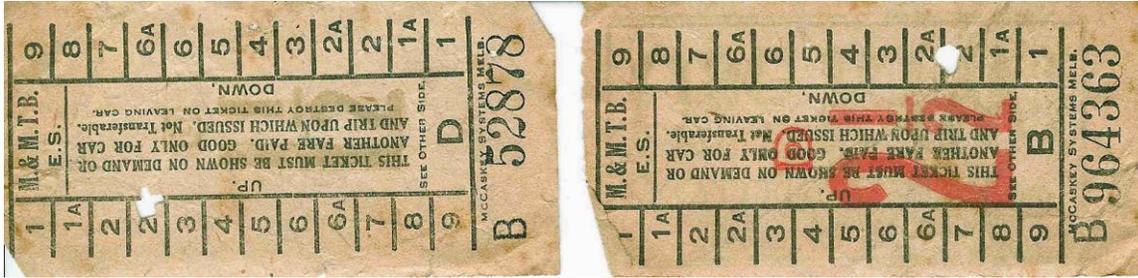
Paper flimsies²



Zoo Gardens horse tram line: 1d black/red, transfer black/off white

² Note: some types could also be used on MTB buses.

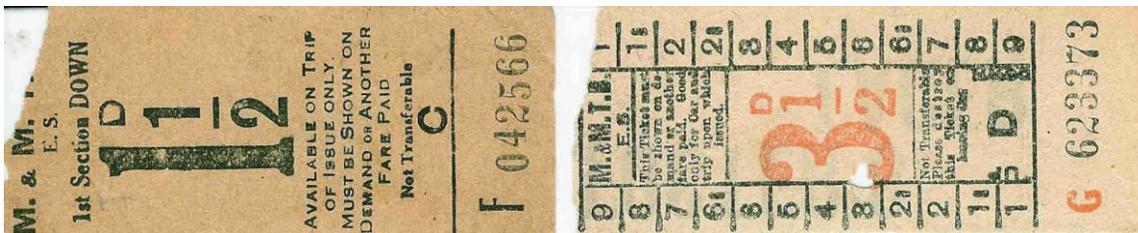
Eastern Suburbs Lines



(both sides)



East Suburban (Lines): Black print on white with coloured value
 1½d grey (also value on back), 2½d red (advert on back), 3½d green



ES: 1½d black or red/white (advert on back) as left & below; 3½d black/white with red value & “G”, 6d shown in *Ticket News* also 1½d blue, 2½d green as right above



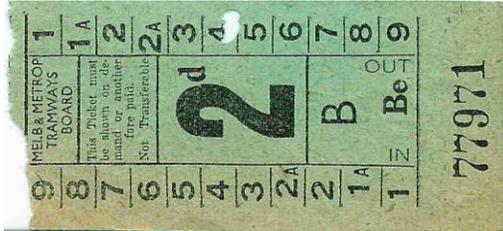
Section tickets all lines

Two types of tickets (one 31mm width, the other 21mm width) appear to have been issued concurrently or alternately. It is possible one may have been for MTT Buses. They are dealt with separately.

The rarity of many items is as yet undetermined as many examples seen may be the only remaining examples. When one considers that a survival rate of 4% is good and the instruction to destroy, very few examples of Australian transport tickets have so far appeared on Ebay. However the Magor collection does contain sufficient examples of the main capital cities tickets from the 1920s to decimal currency in 1966 for a tentative

rating to be suggested. This ranges from **R1** (most common) to **R5** (most rare). Where no **R** rating shown in this time period assume **R4-R5**.

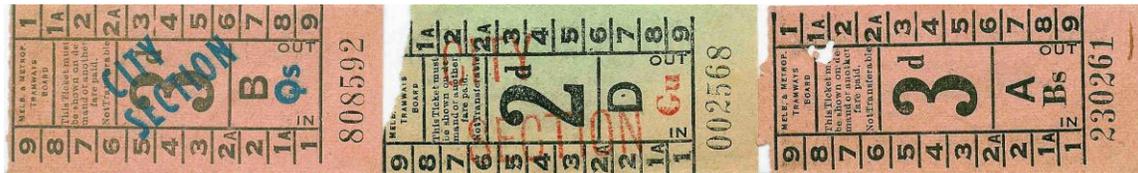
Note 31mm wide unless stated



9 sections, 2d black/green **R5** (smaller d than next lot)



9 sections, Print/coloured paper (adverts on back), numbers & check letters always black **all R3 unless shown otherwise** 1d black/green, 2d black/off white, 3d black/light buff, 5d black/pink **R1**, 6d red/white **R1**, 7d light green/white **R4**, 7d black/orange **R1**
 2d city section additional in red, 3d city section additional in blue, 5d printed in red/pink with CS blue, 6d red/pink with CS black, 6d printed blue/white with CS black, 7d printed blue/white with CS black



(1951) 9 sections, Smaller 'd', print/coloured paper (adverts on back), numbers & check letters always black **all R3 unless shown otherwise (values over 10d R4)**
 1d black/light blue **R3**, 2d black/green, 2d black/white, 3d black/light orange-pink, 4d black/yellow-off white, 4d. green/white (*NB extra stop*), 5d black/pink **R1**, 6d red/white **R1**, 7d green/white **R1**, 7d black/orange **R4**, 9d black/purple, 10d blue/white, 10d black/bright pink, 11d black/green, 1/- black/brown, 1/- orange/off white, 1/1 black/green, 1/ 2 black/orange, 1/5 black/yellow, 1/6 black/yellowish buff, 1/9 black/dark blue, 1/10 black/bright green, 2/- black/light pink, 2/2 black/grey, 2/6 purple/red orange
 2d city section additional in red **R4**, 3d ditto in blue **R4**, 4d ditto in red **R1**, 5d printed in red/pink (shades) with "CS" blue, 6d printed in red/pink with "CS" black

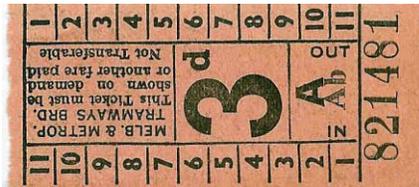


9 sections, value colourless on solid block, adverts on back in black or colour of ticket, on white paper (check letter & number always black) **R3 unless shown otherwise**

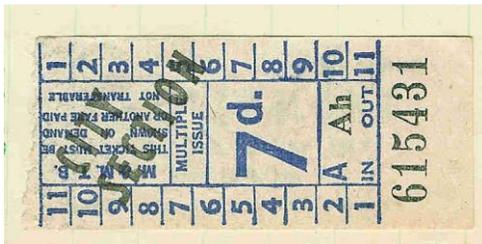
1d blue, 2d green, 3d orange, 4d black, 8d purple **R1**, 9d black **R2**, 10d blue **R1**, 11d green, 1/- orange, 1/- red/deep orange
 city section 2d green with addition in red



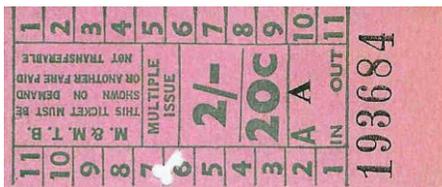
11 sections, some adverts on back in black, check letters & numbers always black
 3d black/orange, 6d red/white, 7d black/orange-red, 9d black/lilac (shades), 10d black/pink, 1/- black/brown, 1/ 2 black/orange, 1/3 black/green, 1/5 black/yellow, 1/6 black/yellow, 1/9 black/blue, 1/10 black/green, 2/- black/pink, 2/2 black/grey, 2/6 red/orange
 city section 5d red/pink with additions in blue, 6d red/pink with additions in black, 6d blue/white with additions black **all R3**, 7d. (*Note stop*) blue/white with additions black



21mm wide, small size: (adverts on back of some in black, check letters & numbers black): 3d black/orange, 6d pink/off white, 6d blue/off white with “City Section” black, 9d black/mauve, 9d black/grey, 10d black/red, 11d black/grey, 1/ 2 black/orange, 1/3 black/green, 1/5 black/yellow, 1/6 black/yellow, 1/9 black/dark blue, 1/10 black/green, 2/2 black/grey, 2/3 black/grey



21mm wide, similar but with stop after “d”
 7d blue/white with CS black



21mm wide, Dual currency: 2/- /20c green/pink (no advert)



21mm wide, Same, decimal currency (no adverts)

4c black/grey, 7c black/purple, 10c black/brown, 15c black/yellow, 15c black/off white, 20c green/pink

City section 6c blue/off white with black CS



31mm wide, same, but thicker numerals (no adverts)

4c black/grey, 5c black/pink (shades), 7c black/lilac, 8c grey/white, 9c red/yellow, 10c black/brown-buff, 10c brown/white, 12c brown/off white, 13c black/blue, 15c black/off white, 15c black/yellow, 15c black/light blue green, 17c black/green, 20c green/blue replaced 5.70 by 20c black/blue, 20c light blue-mauve/off white, 22c green/yellow, 22c grey-black/off white, 25c red/orange-pink, 28c light green/white, 30c reddish pink/white, 30c purple/white, 35c blue green (shades)/white, 35c green/white, 40c black/grey, 45c black/off white, 45c grey/pink, 50c black/yellow, 60c red/off white, 80c dark green/white, \$1.00 black/off white

city section 5c purple/white with CS purple, 7c purple/white with CS black, 10c purple/white with CS black, 10c printed purple/white with CS purple, 15c printed purple-mauve/white with CS purple-lilac, 20c printed purple/white with CS purple, 25c printed purple with purple CS, 30c printed purple with purple CS

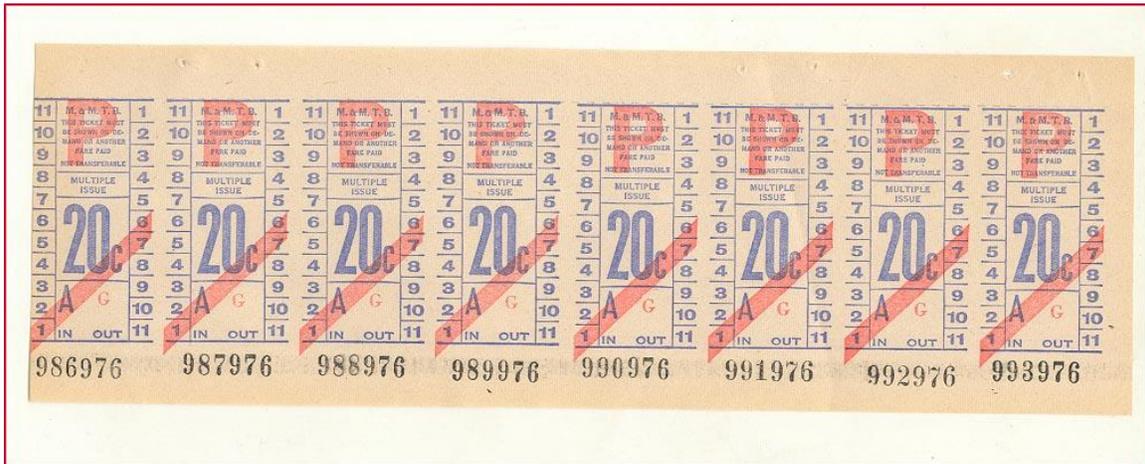
Some higher values had the value colourless on solid ground- see below

Pensioner with red "P" and bar (see below): 5c black/pink, 10c black/orange, 10c black/brown, 15c black/yellow, 20c blue/white, 25c orange/white

Similar but with hollow P: 5d black/pink, 15c black/yellow



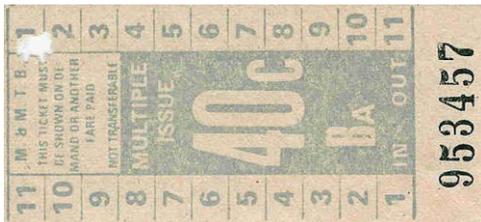
31mm wide, 25c red orange/orange tint, end white



Uncut part sheet offered on Ebay April 206.



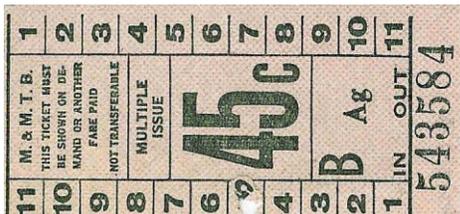
31mm wide, Pensioner, large P, bar & small letter in red on 10c black/brown, 15c black/yellow, 25c orange/off white



31mm wide, white value/solid on of white, part of the general series immediately above: 40c grey, 45c reddish pink, 50c light green, 60c brown, 70c purple



31mm wide, Combined design for Pensioner: 15c black/off white, 20c light blue/off white, 25c orange/off white, 30c red/off white

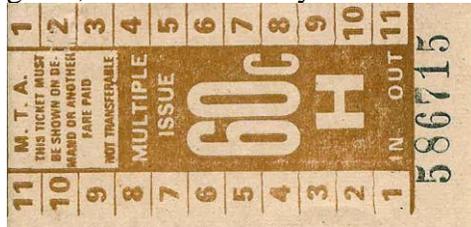


31mm wide, background of small coloured patterned dots: 40c black/grey dots, 45c black/pink dots, 50c black/green dots

Metropolitan Transit Authority: titled MTA



Colour/off white: 30c red, 30c red (multiple issue), 35c red (concession), 70c blue, 75c green, \$1.00 black. City Section 30c purple with CS purple



31mm wide, white value/solid on off white MTA: 50c light green, 60c brown, 60c brown (multiple issue), 65c light blue, 70c light purple

Metropolitan Transit Authority: titled The Met



Colour/off white: 40c red-pink (concession), 80c green (adult) *see below*



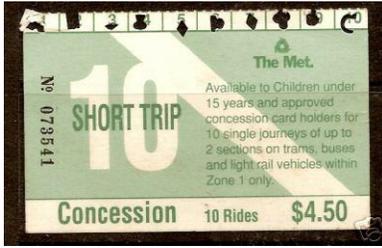
Zone 1 Concession \$1.00 black/off-white, Zone 2 (not seen), Zone 3 Adult \$1.50 red/white, Zones 1+2 Concession yellow/off white, Zones 2+3 (not seen), Zones 1+2+3 Adult \$4.00 blue/white; Zone 2 concession \$0.75 light blue/white; Zone 3 (not seen), Zones 1+2 Concession \$1.50 orange/white (word "concession" in smaller font), Zones 2+3 Concession \$1.25 brown/white, Zones 1+2+3 (not seen) City saver: 65c green/white, \$1.00 adult green/white
 VFL Park (red numbers) 80c concession orange-red/white, 90c concession red/white, \$1.10 adult black/white, \$1.30 adult red/white. *For "Not cash" see below.*



Green/white with black number (both)



Green/white with black number

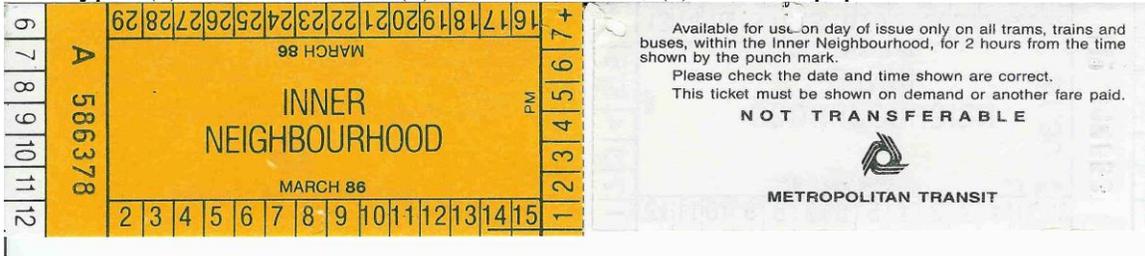


Green/white with black number

Metropolitan Transit Neighbourhood type from 15.11.1982³

Available on trams, buses & trains (conditions on back in black), dated

Two types (a) 85x40mm card, (b) 95x40mm card, (c) same on paper



(dates seen 1985-1992)

Inner neighbourhood: black/yellow/white paper, also 50c (c) \$1 ditto

Inner +one neighbourhood 90c(c) , \$1-80 (c)

Inner concession travelcard: blue/yellow/white card: \$1.20 Sep 87, \$1.10 Jul87 (different design)

Inner + 1 travelcard \$3.50(b), \$4(b)

Inner travelcard \$2.30

Inner neighbourhood concession 55c (c)

Inner neighbourhood \$1 (c), 50c (c)

Inner travelcard: \$2.30 blue/yellow card Oct 86, \$2.40 Oct 88

Box Hill + Inner Travelcard (a)

Box Hill + Inner neighbourhood \$1.80 (c)

Box Hill neighbourhood concession 45c (c)

Greensborough neighbourhood 70c (c), concession 35c (c)

Moorabbin + inner neighbourhood \$2.10(c)

Ringwood-Inner Neighbourhood: \$2.50 black/yellow & green Nov-Dec

Ringwood neighbourhood 35c (c)

St Albans neighbourhood 70c (c)

Weribee + inner neighbourhood \$1.80 (c)



³ See also the section “The Modern Scene”

Anywhere travelcard blue/yellow/white card (2 types, horizontal & diagonal stripe): no value Mar 86, \$5 Sep 87, \$2(a), \$1.70(a), \$4(a), \$1.90 concession (a), discount \$4 from \$5

Anywhere travelcard concession: \$2 Sep-Oct 87 blue/yellow & white card

Zones: 1 daily adult \$2.50 (b), \$3.20 black/yellow/white card 1991-1992, \$3.40 same(b); 1+2 \$5 black/yellow & blue card 1990-1991, \$2 3 hr adult emergency (c), \$1.80 3 hr adult (c), 90c 3hr adult concession (c)

1+2 3hr adult \$3 ©, \$3 3hr adult emergency

2 3 hour adult \$1.30 (c)

1+2+3 family daily \$10.60

60 Plus (a,b)

zones 1-3 to city loop off peak saver adult (1991-1992) no price



black & yellow/white



(front) black&green/silver, (back) black/orange& yellow card

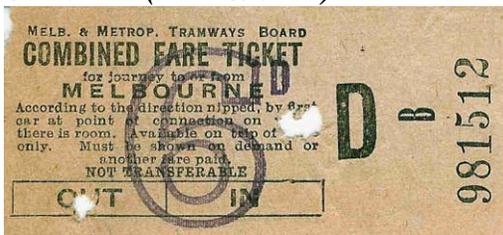
SPECIAL TICKETS

City Saver



City Saver check, pale blue/off white (number & conditions on back in black)

Combined (tram & bus?)



Combined fare 6d black/off white with 6d & advert on back in purple

Pensioner



Pensioner concession black/white with blue bars & "A1"

Check tickets⁴



similar but without "A1", railway check black/off white with red bars



black/white with purple bars, pensioner check black/white with bars & "Ca" light blue

Transfer tickets



(A1933) black/off white



Transfer (compare Zoo Gardens Line), black/buff, black/pink

⁴ For examples of usage, see the section "The Modern Scene"

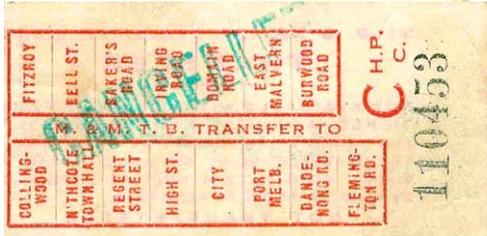


Special transfer: black/off white with blue bars

Check ticket: black/off white with green bars



(A1933) red/off white (2 types) (see next)



Transfer red (5 types)



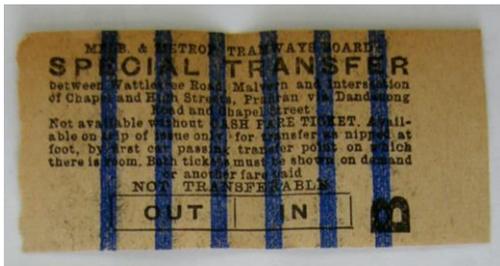
(A1933) transfer green/off white



Transfer green (3 types)



Transfer black (2 types)



(A1933) special transfer black/off white with blue bars



(1951) Transfer purple (conditions on back)

(1951) Transfer green (conditions on back)

(1951) Transfer dark blue (conditions on back)



Tram/bus transfer blue/white (number black)



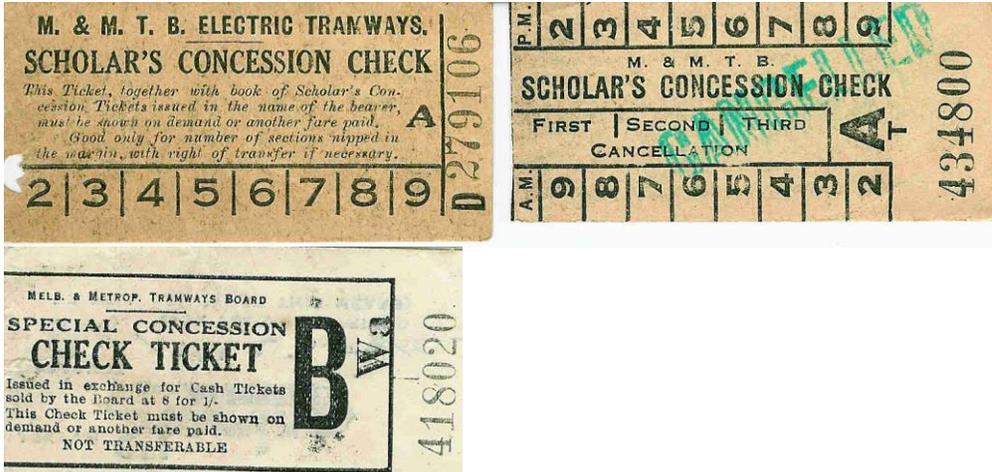
Purple/off white

Employee's pass



Employee's Pass, 2 section rouletted, conditions on back
 Black on white or blue or pink (H) or grey (J) or grey (V) or pink (Q)

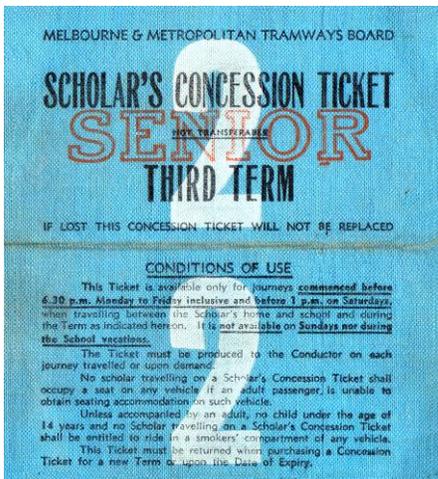
Scholar's concession check



Scholar's concession check, black/buff
 Scholar's concession check (conditions on back) black/buff (1951)
 Special concession, black/white (B,C)

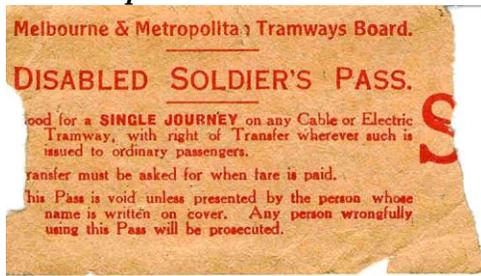
Note:

1968 student concession ticket (Ebay 2006) black/red, black/brown



(Reduced to 50%) Black/blue with "senior" red.
 NB there would be many types of passes which are not within the scope of this work.

Disabled pass

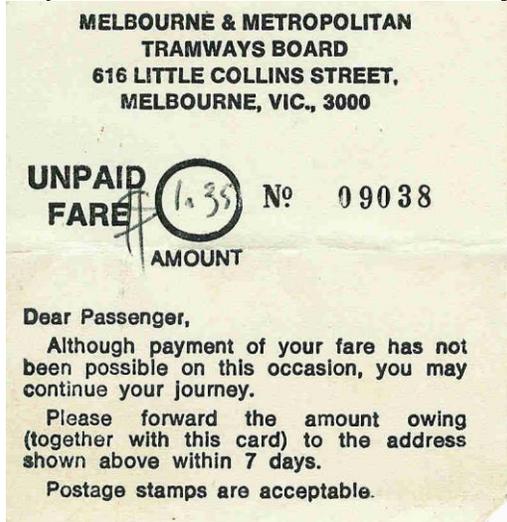


Disabled soldier's pass, red/buff flimsy (2 sides)

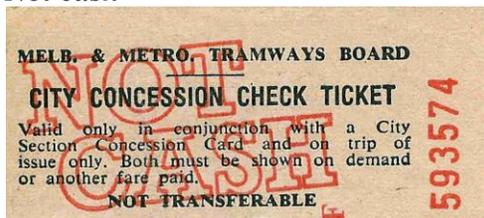
Unpaid



Unpaid black/white, rouletted; earlier type (*below*)



Not cash



“Not cash” city concession check ticket, black/white with red overprint on front & back (F & number also red). *See also above.*



similar but black/white with only “D” and “Not cash” (front & back) in red concession check, red/white with “D: and “Not cash” (front & Back) blue, same but NC inverted (*see below*)pensioner check green/white with NC blue (front & back)



Machine tickets



Ultimate machine, black/coloured board

Nos 1-2 (Bell Punch (A/Asia) Ltd): with red pattern: 3d brown, 4d yellow, 5d lilac, 7d green/white, 1/3 grey-green?

No. 3 (RENNICK PRIDE MELBOURNE) : Same but without red band (Bray Print Sydney): 4d blue, 5d blue, 6d yellow, 9d buff, 1/3 pink

No. 4 (Bray Print Sydney): Same but different lettering “AM PM”: 4d yellow, 9d off white, 11d buff

No. 5 (Bray Print Sydney): £ currency: 4d grey, 6d yellow, 7d green, 11d buff

Decimal currency (Bray Print Sydney): 4c blue, 5c brown, 7c grey, 10c buff, 13c buff, 15c pink, 20c orange red, 25c green, 45c yellow

As No. 5 but without printer imprint (not shown): 25c light green, 30c off white (smaller 30c), 35c blue

No. 6 (RENNICK PRIDE MELBOURNE): Scout Jamboree ticket: 1/6 black/off white, 3/- black/off white



Gibson machine, purple/white (decimal currency, known 1982 & used by conductors at city intersections, machines known 5 67 69 73 103 265).

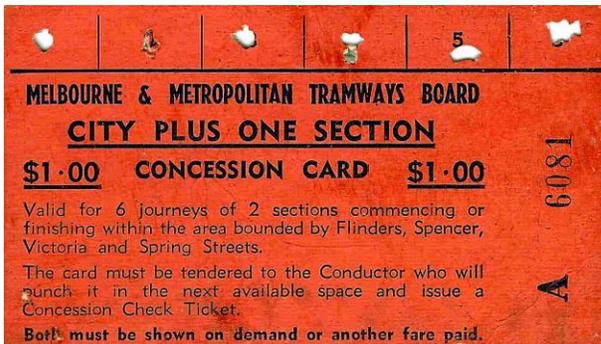


Almex machine, purple/off white (letters H, C, E seen)
 See also the section "The Modern Scene"

Cards⁵



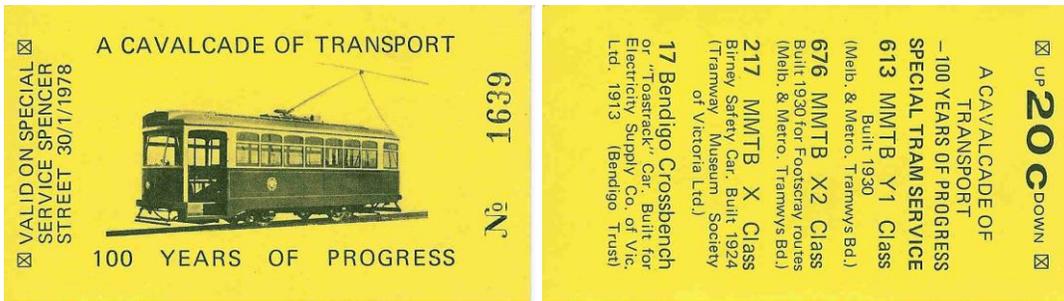
Concession card \$1: black/white, blue/green, \$2 blue/green (2 types)



City+one concession card: \$1 black/red (2 types), \$2 ditto (type at right)
 See the section "The Modern Scene" for usage.

⁵ Many of the cards shown here are also treated in the section "The Modern Scene"

Commemorative



Centenary 1978, 20c black/yellow card

Note: from this point a number of special cards were issued for special occasions, some depicting trams



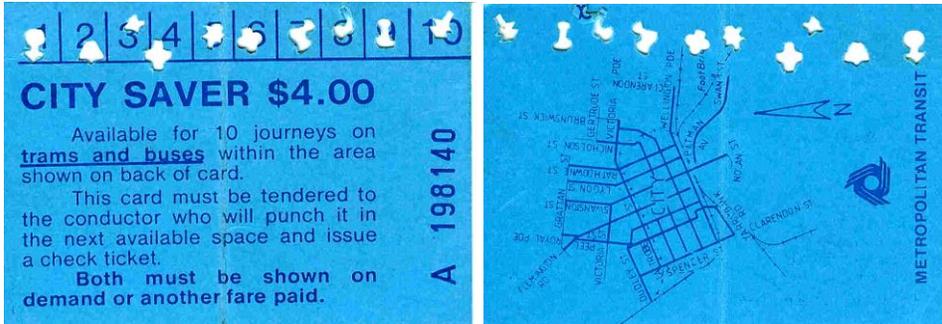
Day tripper (solid letters) \$1.20 red/off white card, \$2 green/off white card, \$1.20 green/pink card, \$1.20 green/off white card (outline letters) \$1.20 green/orange pink card, \$1.20 green/pink card



Metrocard (black number) from 14.10.1981: \$2.60 purple, \$3.60 blue Issued in pads of 25.



Weekly travelcard (1980-1981) black & yellow/white card, similar without value (1989)



Blue/blue City Saver \$4

Prepaid fare stamps

Introduced 1942 due to an acute wartime shortage of petrol for delivery of bundles of newspapers to shops on tram routes. One stamp to be affixed to each bundle and pen cancelled by the tram driver. Printed in sheets of 12 (2x6) on gummed paper & rouletted.⁶ Also reported in *Cinderellas Australasia* 24.



Black/off white, rouletted with value red: 2d, 3d, 4d

⁶ Unpublished manuscript by Robert Merchant, based on Bill Hornadge's *Cinderella Stamps of Australasia*.



rouletted (a) light red on on gummed paper, (b) darker red on PVC self adhesive paper, (c) on mat gum Fasson self adhesive paper (1982-3). Black/white with red lettering: 7c (a), 10c (a, b,c), 15c(a, b), 20c (c)

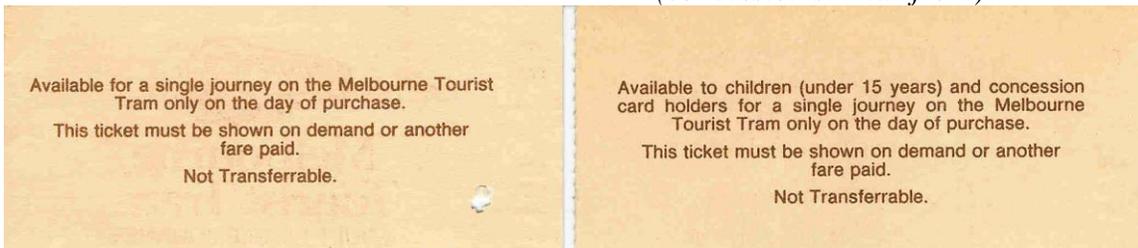


Unknown use. Black/white.

Melbourne Tourist Tram



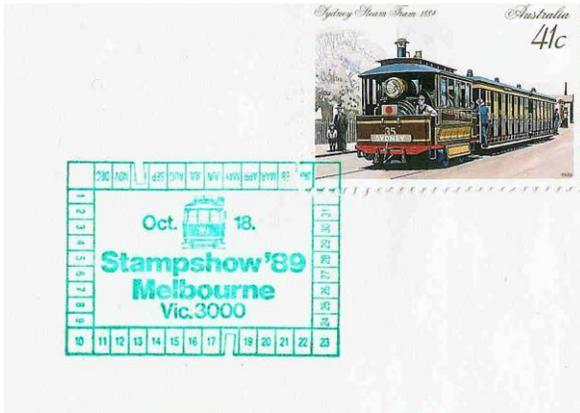
(concession similar front)



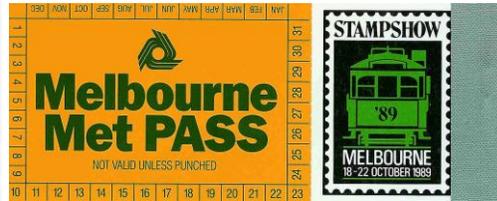
Brown/buff card with black number: adult single, concession single (noted as new in *Ticket News* 2/1988,

Facsimile

For "Stampshow 89" the theme was trams. A special booklet was issued featuring entrance tickets in the design of tram passes and a special Travelling Post Office was set up on a vintage tram which conveyed passengers to the Exhibition Building. The postmark was also based on the entrance ticket.

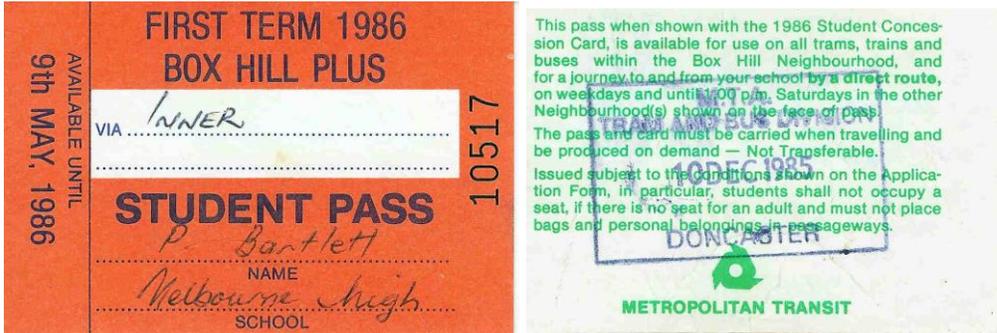


(postmark)



(back of stamp booklet)

Student



A wide variety of school passes has been used.

Combination



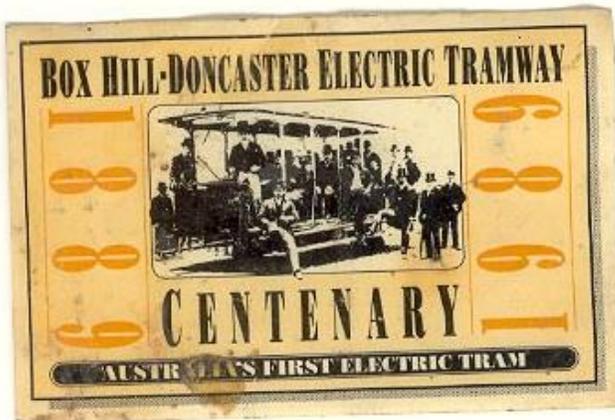
Railway ticket valid on trams & buses: black/orange board

Doncaster & Box Hill Electric Tramway

Operated 1889-1896 under the Box Hill-Doncaster Tramway Co Ltd and later the Doncaster & Box Hill Electric Road Co Ltd.⁷



Centenary ticket 1989, black/ (front) red (back)/yellow board



black & yellow on buff (source: Ebay)

Hawthorn Tramways Trust

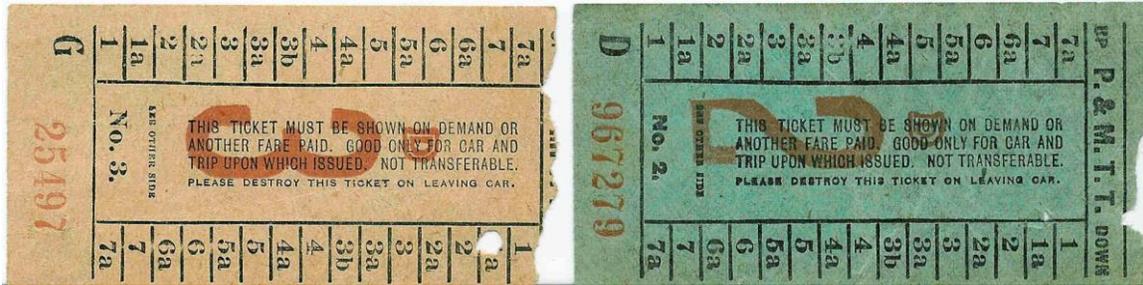


2d black/buff with 2d CASH & check letter purple, same but overprints black

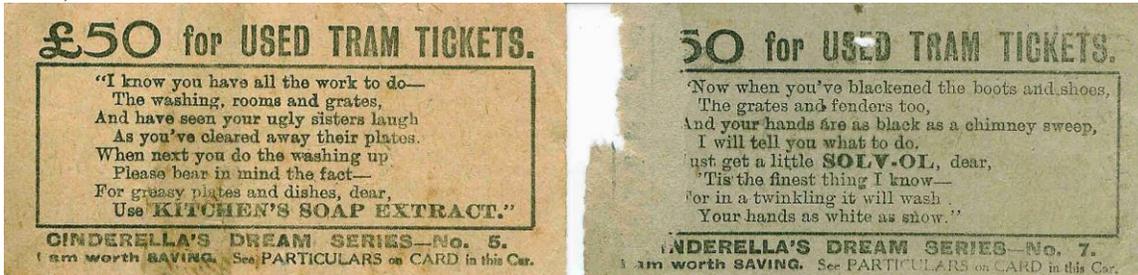
75th anniversary tickets (2d concession, 5d adult) noted in *Ticket News*.

⁷ See HK Atkinson, *Suburban tickets of the Victorian Railways* pp115—116.

P&MTT (Pahran & Malvern Tramways Trust)



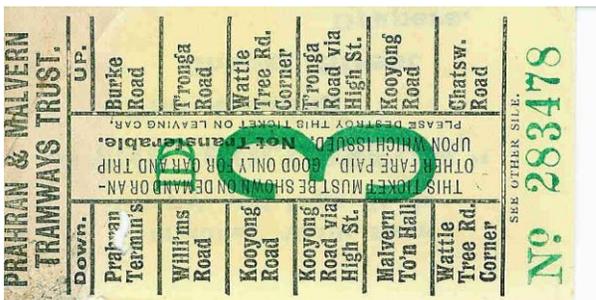
Black/colour with coloured value (advert on back in black):
 1d off white/green, 1d off white/red, 2d green/red, 3d buff/red, 3d pink/green, 5d off white/red, 5½d? off white/pale yellow (value also on back)



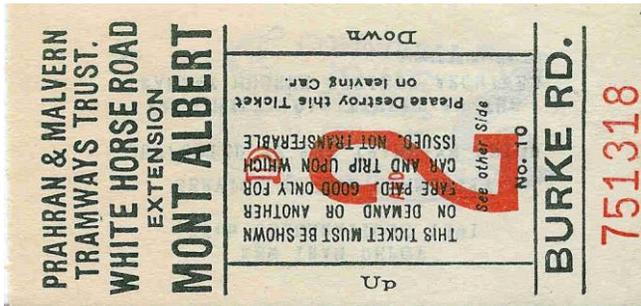
NB: some adverts featured £50 for used tram tickets (see also *Please destroy on alighting*, inside front cover).



transfer black/off white



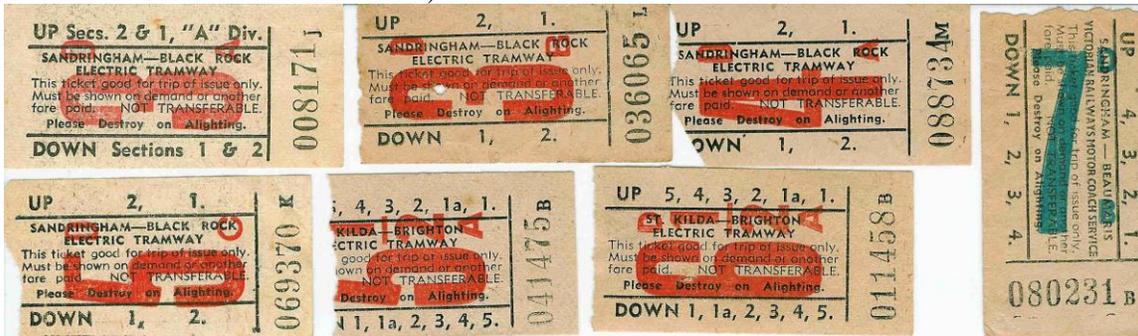
black/off white with green value & number: 3d (black advert on back)



Souvenir ticket (Kew Tram Depot 75th anniversary 1991, details on back) black/white with red number

Sandringham- Black Rock Electric Tramway

Operated 1919-1956 with section to Beaumaris 1926-31 only⁸. Name on tickets changed to Sandringham-Black Rock Electric Tramway in 1935. Used Edmondson & flimsy tickets. Changed to generic type 1952 (see *Victorian Railways Electric Tramway Motor Coach services in the bus section*).



Black/white with red values 3d (2 types), 3½d, 4d, 5d, 5½d, 6½d, 7d(blue)

St Kilda-Brighton Electric Tramway

Operated 1906-1959 with Edmondson & flimsy tickets.⁹ Early tickets superseded by red overprinted type from 1928 (and green overprint by NSW Government Printer from 1941). Superseded by generic type 1952 (see *Victorian Railways Electric Tramway Motor Coach services in the bus section*).

Illustration next following from HK Atkinson, Suburban tickets of the Victorian Railways. Showing an early type from 1919 (6-22) when 13 different tickets were reduced to 7, the red overprint type introduced in 1928 (6-20) and the issue on pink 1928-38 (6-21). Also shown are versions of the red overprints. Section 1A tickets were used from 1939.

Also shown (6-24) is an early ticket from the Sandringham-Beaumaris Electric Tramway (see below) when A Division, B Division and General Division were in use.

⁸ See HK Atkinson, *Suburban tickets of the Victorian Railways* pp127-136. For the earlier Beaumaris horse tram see pp.113-115.

⁹ See HK Atkinson, *Suburban tickets of the Victorian Railways* pp116-126.

CO-ORDINATED RAIL & TRAM TICKETS

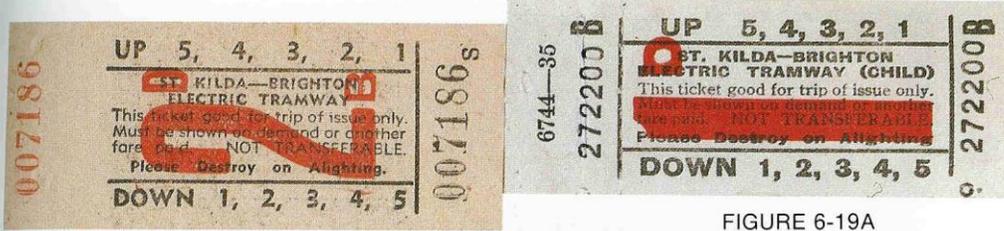


FIGURE 6-19A

FIGURE 6-19



FIGURE 6-20



FIGURE 6-21



FIGURE 6-22



FIGURE 6-23

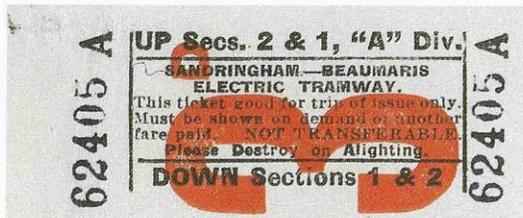
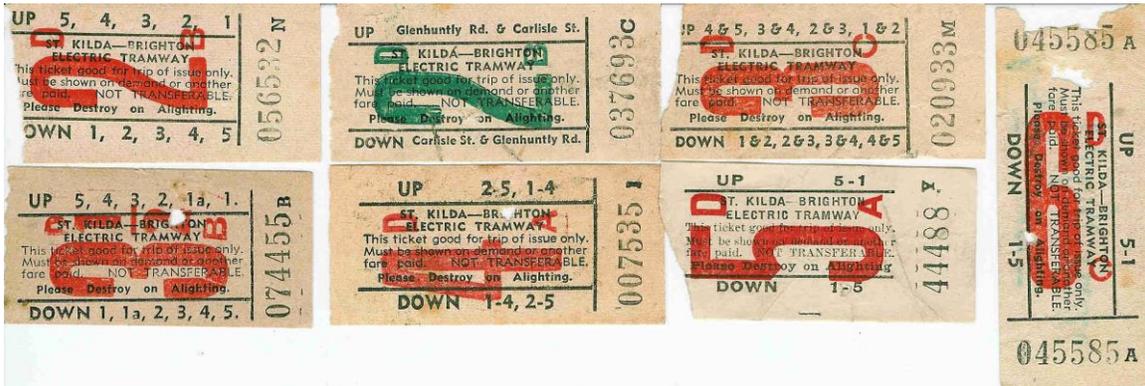


FIGURE 6-24



FIGURE 6-25



Black/white with coloured value (each has different sections)

1d red, 2d red, 2d green, 3d red, 3½d red, 4d red, 4½d red, 5d red, 6d red, 6½d red, 7d blue, 7d red

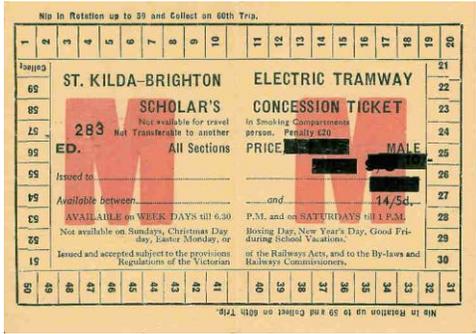


As above, but different style values

1d red (child), 2d red, 4d red, 4½d red, 5d red



2d red value, black print/pink paper



(50% reduction)

Scholar's concession: black/white board with red printing & green cloth fold



(50% reduction)

Weekly black/white board with red cross and purple "2"

Many other concession and weekly types are listed by Atkinson.

See also Victorian Railways Electric Tramway Motor Coach services in the bus section

