



Getting to the Dragon Boat Races & Festival

There are many ways to get to the fun – please pack your patience and plan ahead!

- **MTA LIGHT RAIL**

The nearest Light Rail stop is Camden Station, a quick walk to the Inner Harbor: walk three blocks east on West Conway Street toward the Baltimore Visitor Center and you have arrived.

- **MTA BUS**

The Purple Circulator stops behind the Baltimore Visitor Center and CityLink Bus #71 also takes you right there.

- **MTA METRO SUBWAY**

The nearest stop is Charles Center Metro, about a 10-minute walk to the Inner Harbor: walk three blocks south on Charles Street, make a left on West Conway Street, walk one block east on West Conway Street toward the Baltimore Visitor Center and you have reached your destination.

- **BIKING**

Access the festival via the Light Street Bike Lane. The festival will have free bike parking on the lawn of the Baltimore Visitor Center.

- **WATER TAXI**

The Baltimore Water Taxi will operate from 11 a.m.–8 p.m. on Saturday, September 9; hop on/off at the Harborplace stop; for tickets, baltimorewatertaxi.com.

- **DRIVE & PARK**

- Due to street closures for the Charles Street 12 (CharlesSt12.com), there is no access to the Inner Harbor via Key Highway on Saturday, September 9 – **do not enter downtown via I-95 to Key Highway.**
- Charles Street, Key Highway & Light Street (south of Conway Street) should be avoided between 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. noon, but especially between 8:30–9:30 a.m.
- If you are driving into the City for Dragons after 8 a.m. and before 12 p.m. noon, enter downtown via the north, east or west; park in downtown garages and walk to the Inner Harbor to avoid Charles Street 12 street closures and traffic congestion.
- Consider taking a ride share such as Lyft or Uber to get you as close as possible to the festival rather than driving and parking your personal vehicle.
- After 12 p.m., there may be heavier volume than usual, but streets closed for the run should be reopened.

SPECIAL NOTE TO DRAGON BOAT RACE PADDLERS WHO ARE DRIVING & PARKING:

- Please allow extra time to get yourself downtown and parked before the street closures for Charles Street 12 take effect at 8 a.m. Paddler registration opens at 7 a.m. on Rash Field and we'll have plenty of coffee, pastries and fruit to get you fueled up before the races!

SPECIAL NOTE TO DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL EXHIBITORS & ENTERTAINERS:

- Please try to set up as much as possible on Friday, September 8 to avoid driving on Light Street & Lee Street on Saturday morning during the Charles Street 12 street closures (8–11 a.m.).
- Dragon Boat Festival exhibitors and entertainers needing to unload can access the Light Street Bus Lane/Loading Zone during the Charles Street 12 street closures using a [lime green vehicle access pass](#). Proceed south on Light Street, make a left on Lee Street and proceed into the Loading Zone. There is no access to the Loading Zone from northbound Light Street on Saturday, September 9.
- During the street closures, when there's a break in runners and it is safe to do so, Baltimore City traffic officers will allow Dragon Boat Festival exhibitors to access the Royal Sonesta Garage at 10 East Lee Street 21202 via southbound Light Street using a [lime green vehicle access pass](#). Proceed south on Light Street, make a right on Lee Street and make an immediate right into the Royal Sonesta Garage.