

press release

Visiting Resorts World™ Sentosa made easy with more transport options

RWS absorbs Sentosa island admission charges, offers concessionary parking during weekday lunch hours

Singapore, 18 January 2010 – Visitors to Resorts World Sentosa (RWS), Singapore's first Integrated Resort (IR), will get to enjoy the resort without having to pay for Sentosa island admission charges.

Mr. Michael Chin, Executive Vice-President for Projects at RWS said: "We are Singapore's IR, and we believe we should be a destination that Singaporeans can enjoy at all times. This is a resort that Singaporeans can call their own, so we have put in a lot of effort to ensure that the resort is accessible to all. Not only will there be dedicated bus services into the resort, we will also absorb the island admission charges for all our visitors."

The waiver for visitors takes effect from 20 January when RWS opens its four hotels to the public, and visitors would have to pay only for their transport fares or parking charges.

More transport options into RWS

For as little as S\$1.80 a bus trip, visitors can go right into Singapore's first IR to enjoy its four hotels, entertainment and sample a range of F&B offerings.

To facilitate accessibility for visitors, RWS has embarked on a public bus programme with SMRT to provide a dedicated shuttle bus service *RWS 8,* which will pick up visitors from VivoCity and HarbourFront and take them right into the resort. Two other bus services, *RWS 68* and *RWS 88* will bring visitors from Outram MRT station and City Hall MRT station respectively into the resort. This will be the first public bus service into Sentosa island.

Visitors entering the resort by taxi will alight at a central drop-off point in the 3,500-lot basement car park.

For motorists, they will turn off along Sentosa Gateway and drive straight into the resort's car park. They need to pay only the car park charges, and enjoy the convenience of not having to pass through the island admission gantries.

Visitors who choose to hop onto the Sentosa Express monorail can alight at the Waterfront station which is located at the heart of RWS. The S\$3 charge per person will apply and visitors can use their EZ-Link cards to board the trains.

Concession parking rates during weekday lunch hours

Parking fees at the resort is charged by the hour, capped at a maximum of S\$20 for 24 hours. During weekday-lunch hours from between 12.00pm and 2.00pm, RWS is introducing a special concession rate of S\$1 for the first hour of parking.

For example, motorists who park from 10am to 6pm on a weekday will incur \$\$20 in parking charges, which works out to an average of \$\$2.50 per hour. Motorists who park beyond 8 hours will still incur \$\$20 and the average charge per hour will be further reduced.

RWS' Vice-President for Resort Operations, Mr Noel Hawkes said: "Resorts World Sentosa welcomes all visitors and we believe the experience starts from the moment one is on the road. We have been working closely with the Land Transport Authority (LTA) to improve the traffic conditions around the HarbourFront precinct, and we thank the LTA, Sentosa Development Corporation and other precinct partners for their support and cooperation.

"In line with our green efforts and to ease the traffic conditions in the area, we would like to encourage visitors to take public transport to the resort. As improvements are still underway, we seek your understanding and welcome any feedback to help us improve."

Resorts World Sentosa opens its four hotels and 10 dining outlets to the public on 20 January. The opening dates for Universal Studios Singapore and the casino will be announced later.

RWS spent more than S\$80 million to build a new vehicular bridge which doubled the road capacity to and from the island. The new bridge opened in September 2009, and can cater to about 6000 vehicles per hour.

Details of car park charges are available in the Annex.

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About Resorts World Sentosa

Resorts World Sentosa, one of the world's most extensive and expensive integrated resorts at US\$4.4 billion, was built in a record time of under three years. It will soft open Southeast Asia's only Universal Studios theme park, four hotels, its Compass Ballroom, 26 function rooms, a 1,600-seat Festive Grand theatre and its luxurious casino in early 2010. Supporting the attractions are a 3,500-lot car park facility, restaurants, retail stores, entertainment and public attractions that include Emmy-award winner Jeremy Railton's Lake of Dreams and Chamber of Treasures.

Resorts World Sentosa will open the world's largest Marine Life Park, its Maritime Experiential Museum, a destination spa and two remaining hotels with a total of 500 rooms in phase two development.

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ANNEX

Travel Mode in and out of RWS	Cost (S\$)	Remarks
Public shuttle bus services RWS 8 (VivoCity & HarbourFront to RWS)	\$2 per visitor per way	Same price as Sentosa shuttle bus service. Starts on 20 Jan, 6am – 1130pm daily.
RWS 88 (City Hall MRT to RWS)	\$2 per visitor per way	7am – 11pm. Starts on 30 Jan. Weekends and Public Holidays only.
RWS 68 (Outram MRT to RWS)	\$1.80 per visitor per way	To be advised.
Public Express service		
963R (Woodlands to RWS, route similar to 963E)	\$1.50 - \$2.35	7am - 1130 pm. Starts on 30 Jan. Weekends, school and public holidays only.
Night Rider services		
 NR1 (Yishun to RWS via Suntec City, North corridor) NR6 	\$3.50	1130pm – 430am. Starts on 29 Jan. Fridays, Saturdays and eve of Public Holidays only.
(Seng Kang to RWS via Suntec City, North East corridor)	\$3.50	
Sentosa Express		
Alight at first monorail station (Waterfront station)	\$3 per visitor	Starts on 20 Jan.
Taxis		
 Main drop off points at basement car park Hotel guests can drop off in front of respective hotels 	Taxi fare applies	Hotel guests to print out the confirmation letter to gain free access through the Sentosa gantry.
Car Parking (weekday) 7am – 7pm	\$6 for 1 st hr \$2/hr thereafter	12noon to 2pm is \$1 for 1 st hr, \$2/hr thereafter.
7pm – 7am	\$4 per entry	Maximum parking in any 24 hr period is \$20.
(weekend) 7am – 7pm	\$7 for 1 st hr \$2/hr thereafter.	Maximum parking in any 24 hr period is \$20.
7pm – 7am	\$4 per entry	