

Tickets can also be transferred:

To another Government Servant travelling on duty, atleast 24 hours in advance of the scheduled departure of the train.

To other students of recognised Educational Institution when the Principal/Head makes a request atleast 48 hours in advance of the scheduled departure of the train.

To other members of the marriage party, if the head of such a party makes a request atleast 48 hours in advance of the scheduled departure of the train. To other cadets of NCC, if the head of the group makes a request **atleast 24 hours** in advance of the scheduled departure of the train. Such changes can be made only once - if the request does not exceed 10% of the total number of group members.

Circular Journey Tickets. Reserving special carriages. Booking a train... Let's help you out.

What are Circular Journey Tickets ?

If you wish to go on a pilgrimage or sightseeing trip to many destinations, Indian Railways provide the facility of booking Circular Journey Tickets. These tickets offer you unique travel flexibility, as they are issued for all journeys (other than regular routes) which begin and end at the same station. Circular Journey Tickets can be purchased for all classes of travel. A maximum of **eight** break of journeys will be admissible on these tickets. Endorsements for break journeys are not needed.

Standard Circular Journey Tickets are also offered by Zonal Railways. These cover popular destinations for the convenience of tourists. The details of route, fare etc., for these tickets can be obtained from nominated stations in each Zonal Railway. You can purchase these tickets if any one of the standard routes suits your convenience. Otherwise you can inform the Zonal Railways about your itinerary and Circular Journey Tickets can be drawn up to suit your requirements.

What are the advantages of booking a Circular Journey Ticket?

Circular Journey Tickets give you the benefit of **telescopic rates**, which are considerably lower than regular point-to-point fare. These rates are calculated on Mail/Express Fares.

With these tickets, you not only save time but also the inconvenience of booking tickets for each leg of the journey.

What is the booking procedure for Circular journey Tickets?

Once your itinerary is finalised, you can approach the **Divisional Commercial Managers** of the Division or Station Managers of certain major stations to which the journey commencing station belongs.

The Divisional Commercial Manager or the station authorities will then calculate the cost of the tickets based on your itinerary. He will also inform the **Station Manager** concerned of the same, in the prescribed format. You can purchase Circular Journey Tickets by presenting this form at the Booking Office of the station from where you propose to start your journey. After purchasing the Circular Journey Ticket, you must approach the **Reservation Office** to reserve your accommodation for various laps of your journey. You will then be issued reserved tickets for the journey.

Reserving Special Carriages:

Tell me about Tourist Cars and Reserved Carriages...

For large groups travelling together, Indian Railways provide exclusive coaches that can be attached to regular trains* according to your programme. Besides the convenience of travelling according to your own itinerary, you can also enjoy total privacy and comfort.

These Tourist Cars are available in Second Class, Sleeper Class, First Class and Air-conditioned First Class with facilities for cooking. The upper class coaches have amenities such as linen, bathroom, sitting cum dining room, attendants compartment, etc.

*Special coaches cannot be attached to certain trains due to operational restrictions.

How do I book a Tourist Car/Reserved Carriage?

You must apply to the **Chief Passenger Transportation Manager** at least **30 days** in advance and not more than 6 months prior to the commencement of the journey.

Your application must include details such as destination, route to be followed, halts enroute and the specific train to which the Tourist Car/Railway Carriage is to be attached.

How much does it cost to book a Tourist Car/Reserved Carriage?

Initially, you need to pay **Rs. 50,000/-** per coach as security deposit to the **Station Manager** of the originating station.

Charges will then be calculated on a point-to-point basis. Full adult Mail/Express fares will be charged for actual number of persons travelling or the marked carrying capacity of the coach, whichever is higher.

The charges must be paid in full, atleast **48 hours** in advance of the departure of the train to which these coaches are to be attached.

The charges will include fare, reservation charge, development charge, detention charge and empty haulage charge.