

The new Fürth Social Ticket – equivalent to the Deutschlandticket

With the new Fürth Social Ticket, recipients of social benefits can acquire the subsidized Deutschlandticket for 24.50 Euros per month, beginning June 2023. The Deutschlandticket is valid without restrictions for all methods of public transportation (bus, tram, subway and local trains, 2nd class only).



1. Who is eligible for the 24.50 Euro discounted Deutschlandticket ticket?

Proof of Residency in the City of Fürth is required to be eligible for the Deutschlandticket at the subsidized price. Additionally, a current benefits statement of Bürgergeld, Grundsicherung, or Asylbewerberleistungen is also required.

Wohngeldempfänger*innen, in addition to the above listed beneficiaries, can also opt to continue to receive the subsidized rate level B/Fürth for the 9 a.m. yearly ticket subscription (see below: 6. What other mobility subsidies are available?)

Additionally, other members of a benefit group may also be eligible to receive the subsidized rate. Public transportation is free of charge for children up to the age of 6 (no ticket required).

2. How do I get the discounted Deutschlandticket?

If you belong to the previously listed beneficiary groups, you will receive approval for the subsidy from the Office of Social Services, Housing and Senior Citizens' Affairs, beginning May 16, 2023.

Please come to the Sozialrathaus (Königsplatz 2, 90762 Fürth, 2nd floor, room 216):

- By appointment: Tuesday, Thursday or Friday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (make an appointment at: 0911-974-1832 or by email: sozialticket@fuerth.de)
- Without an appointment: Tuesdays between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. (please note that beginning August 2023 an appointment is also necessary on Tuesday afternoons)

Please be sure to bring:

- Valid ID (Personalausweis/Aufenthaltstitel) or your Passport and Meldebestätigung
- Current Benefits Statement (Bürgergeld, Grundsicherung, or Asylbewerberleistungen)

The subsidy approval entitles you to purchase a Deutschlandticket from Infra Fürth at the subsidized rate of 24.50 Euros per month. The subsidized tickets are available beginning June 1, 2023.

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Please note:

- The subsidized rate is only valid for the months in which social benefits are received.
- If you continue to receive social benefits and would like to continue using the Deutschlandticket at the subsidized rate, you will receive a new subsidy approval from the Office for Social Services, Housing and Senior Citizens' Affairs.

3. Where can I acquire the subsidized Deutschlandticket?

The subsidized Deutschlandticket is available from the Infra Service Center at the Fürth Central Train Station.

Address: Bahnhofsplatz 9, 90762 Fürth

Hours of operation: Monday to Friday: 9am to 5pm, Saturday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m

Tip: It is best to come between the 15th and 25th of a month in order to be able to use the Deutschlandticket in the following month.

NEW: In addition, beginning September 1, 2023, the option to purchase the subsidized Deutschland-ticket online becomes available. Please go to www.infra-fuerth.de/abo, klick on "Deutschlandticket" and upload the subsidy approval form along with your personal information.

4. What do I need in order to purchase the Deutschlandticket?

Please bring the following documents with you to the infra service center:

- Valid ID (Personalausweis/Aufenthaltstitel) or your Passport and Meldebestätigung
- EC card
- The subsidy approval from the Office of Social Services, Housing and Senior Citizens' Affairs
- The completed order form for the Deutschlandticket (you will receive this form when the subsidy approval is issued)
- A photograph of yourself (it is also possible to take a photograph on site)

Please note:

- Your Deutschlandticket subscription is only valid for the period of the subsidy approval.
- If you do not want to make full use of the subsidy approval, you can cancel the subscription beforehand, up to the tenth calendar day of the current month, at the end of each month respectively.
- If you continue to receive social benefits, you can receive a new subsidy approval from the Office for Social Affairs, Housing and Senior Citizens' Affairs to extend your Deutschland-ticket subscription. Please present the new subsidy approval to the Infra Service Center. Your Deutschlandticket subscription will then be automatically continued without having to re-apply for it.
- There are no refunds for unused time.

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- If you lose your Deutschlandticket, you can have a replacement ticket issued for 10 Euros in cash at the Infra Service Center at the Fürth Central Train Station.
- Your bank account will be charged a monthly rate of 24.50 Euros for the Deutschlandticket.

5. What happens to my current subscription?

Your current subscription will automatically be switched to the Deutschlandticket. If you would like to use the Deutschlandticket at the subsidized rate (24.50 Euros per month), please come to the Infra Service Center at the Fürth Central Train Station with your subsidy approval so that your subscription can be switched to the subsidized Deutschlandticket.

You can continue to use your previous subsidized annual subscription in May 2023 with the previous monthly subsidy of 15 euros. Beginning in June 2023 however, the more convenient Deutschland-ticket will be available to you at a price of 24.50 euros - provided you belong to the eligible beneficiary group.

6. What other mobility subsidies are available?

In addition to the subsidized Deutschlandticket ticket, there will still be the subsidized 9 a.m. yearly ticket subscription for rate level B (Fürth). With this ticket you can travel for the equivalent of 23 cents a day (or 83.70 Euros a year) beginning at 9 a.m. within the City of Fürth.

The Fürth Pass is a prerequisite for using the subsidized 9 a.m. yearly ticket subscription for rate level B. In addition to the three groups of people mentioned above, Wohngeldempfänger*innen can also apply for the Fürth Pass. Information on how to apply for the Fürth Pass can be found here: <u>Fürth-Pass für Ermäßigungen</u>.

If you have a Fürth Pass and would like to use the subsidized 9 a.m. yearly ticket subscription for rate level B, you can submit a corresponding application to the Office for Social Services, Housing and Senior Citizens' Affairs (see above for office hours) and pay for the subscription in the Infra Service Center. After the end of the twelve subscription months, the city of Fürth will refund the cost for nine of the twelve monthly subscriptions (EUR 251.10).

Beginning September 2023, trainees, students and those doing volunteer work in Bavaria will receive the Deutschlandticket ticket for the subsidized price of 29 euros.

Please note: The subsidy for the Deutschlandticket ticket is a voluntary service. A legal claim does not exist.

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