



All The Stations - Railcard Comparisons

	Cost of Railcard	Time Restrictions	Minimum Fare	Standard Class Discount?	First Class Discount?	TfL Discount?	Additional Notes
	<i>Some railcards can be bought for a three year period at a discounted rate</i>	<i>What times the railcard can be used - not always Off-Peak only</i>	<i>Some railcards have a minimum fare</i>	<i>Not all Railcards offer discounted Advance tickets</i>	<i>Not all Railcards offer discounted First Class tickets</i>	<i>At any Tube station, ask for your railcard to be set to get you 1/3 discount on off-peak fares and daily caps (Tube and DLR only)</i>	
16-25 <i>(Over 25's in full time study can also purchase)</i>	£30 per year <i>(Or £70 for three years)</i>	Can be used ANYTIME	Before 10am Mon-Fri a minimum £12 fare applies <i>(Except for advance fares)</i>	Yes	Yes But ONLY Advance Fares	Yes	Minimum fare of £12 does not apply during July and August
26-30	A new 26-30 Railcard is currently being trialed, it exactly the same as the 16-25 except that you do have the minimum fare all year round - there's no exclusion during July and August						
Senior <i>(60 and over, does not require photocard)</i>	£30 per year <i>(Or £70 for three years)</i>	OFF PEAK ONLY <i>(Not before 09.00 Mon-Fri)</i>	<i>No minimum fare applies</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	It's not valid for journeys before 0900 for travel wholly within certain parts of the Network Railcard area. But the Senior Railcard has no restriction throughout the rest of the U.K. (Family & Friends same)
Disabled <i>(For one person AND a companion)</i>	£20 per year <i>(or £54 for three years)</i>	Can be used ANYTIME	<i>No minimum fare applies</i>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Valid for you AND a companion travelling with you Only the Railcard holder gets the TfL Discount
HM Forces <i>(Issued by Armed Forces cannot be purchased at station)</i>	£19 per year	Can be used ANYTIME	Before 10am Mon-Fri a minimum £12 fare applies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Minimum fare of £12 does not apply during July and August
Two Together <i>(Can be a couple, relatives, or just two friends)</i>	£30 per year	OFF PEAK ONLY <i>(Not before 09.30 Mon-Fri)</i>	<i>No minimum fare applies</i>	Yes	Yes	No Does not apply	Must be travelling with both people named on railcard
Family & Friends <i>(For two named adults and up to 3 other adults, and 4 children)</i>	£30 per year	OFF PEAK ONLY <i>(Not before 09.30 Mon-Fri but is valid during afternoon peak)</i>	<i>No minimum fare applies</i>	Yes	No Does not apply	No Does not apply	It's not valid for journeys before 0930 for travel wholly within certain parts of the Network Railcard area. But the Senior Railcard has no restriction throughout the rest of the U.K. (Family & Friends same)
Network <i>(16's and over, discount fares for holder and 3 more adults AND four children)</i>	£30 per year	OFF PEAK ONLY <i>(Not before 10.00 Mon-Fri)</i>	At anytime Mon-Fri a minimum £13 fare applies	Yes Except for advance fares	No Does not apply	No Does not apply	
Gold Card <i>(16's and over, and up to 3 other adults AND four children)</i>	The price of your season ticket	OFF PEAK ONLY <i>(Not before 09.30 Mon-Fri)</i>	<i>No minimum fare applies</i>	Yes Except for advance fares	Yes Except for advance fares	Yes	You can also buy any other railcard for someone for just £10

Further Notes:

The 1/3 discount is actually calculated at 34% - e.g. a £9 ticket is rounded to £5.95, not £6.00

Where applicable the child discount is calculated at 61% of the child fare

Where available the 3 year versions are only available to purchase online, not from a ticket office

With the 16-25 railcard there is one operator - Grand Central - where they DO allow you to buy discounted 'walk up' First Class tickets

The Gold Card and Network Card can only be used in the areas of London and the South East, but differ slightly - the Gold Card area is bigger and extends slightly into the West Midlands, as well as all of East Anglia

All Railcards used in the Gold Card area also get a Travelcard discount which applies to Off Peak Zone 1-6 or any Travelcard bought as part of a ticket to London from outside the Zones