Volpe

Visitor's Guide

Volpe The National Transportation Systems Center

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Purpose and Values

Our Purpose

Advancing transportation innovation for the public good

Our Values

Public Service: We serve the public honestly and objectively

Innovative Solutions: We continually anticipate and respond to global transportation challenges and emerging issues

Professional Excellence: We deliver outstanding products and services that exceed customer expectations

Collaboration and Partnering: We foster internal and external collaboration and partnerships through teamwork and mutual respect

Volpe, The National Transportation Systems Center, is located at **55 Broadway in Cambridge, Massachusetts**, across the street from the Kendall Square Marriott hotel, near the MIT/Kendall Square stop on the MBTA Red Line. Parking is available.

617.494.2224

askvolpe@dot.gov

Security Process

Upon entering Volpe, please place your belongings on the conveyor belt and step through the metal detector. Present your license to the security guard. Once you have been cleared, proceed to the security desk, giving the guard your license as well as the name of your escort (Volpe guests must remain with their escorts for the duration of their visit). You will receive a visitor's badge, which you must keep on you at all times. This should be returned to the security desk at the end of your visit.

Directions to Volpe

By Taxi:

Approximate cost of taxi from Logan Airport to Kendall Square, Cambridge: $45.00. Approximate cost of taxi from Kendall Square to Logan: $35.00-$40.00. Costs depend on traffic conditions and the time of arrival.

By Public Transportation:

From Logan Airport via MBTA

1. From Terminal A or E, take the Silver Line Waterfront SL1 service to South Station. Please visit the MBTA website for a detailed map and schedule information.
2. At South Station, change to the Red Line MBTA train northbound (to Alewife).
3. Take the Red Line to the Kendall Square stop.
4. Go straight through the lobby of the Marriott hotel.
5. Volpe is located on Broadway directly across from the Marriott Hotel.

From South Station via MBTA

1. Take the MBTA Red Line northbound (to Alewife).
2. Travel to Kendall Square.
3. Volpe is located across Broadway from the Marriott Hotel.

From North Station via MBTA

1. Take the MBTA Green Line inbound to Park Street.
2. Change to the Red Line northbound (to Alewife).
3. Travel to Kendall Square.
4. Volpe is located on Broadway across from the Marriott Hotel. Walk through the lobby for direct access.

For an **MBTA schedule**, please visit http://www.mbta.com/.

Maps

Map of the MBTA (Volpe is located on the Red Line at Kendall/MIT):

Aerial Map of

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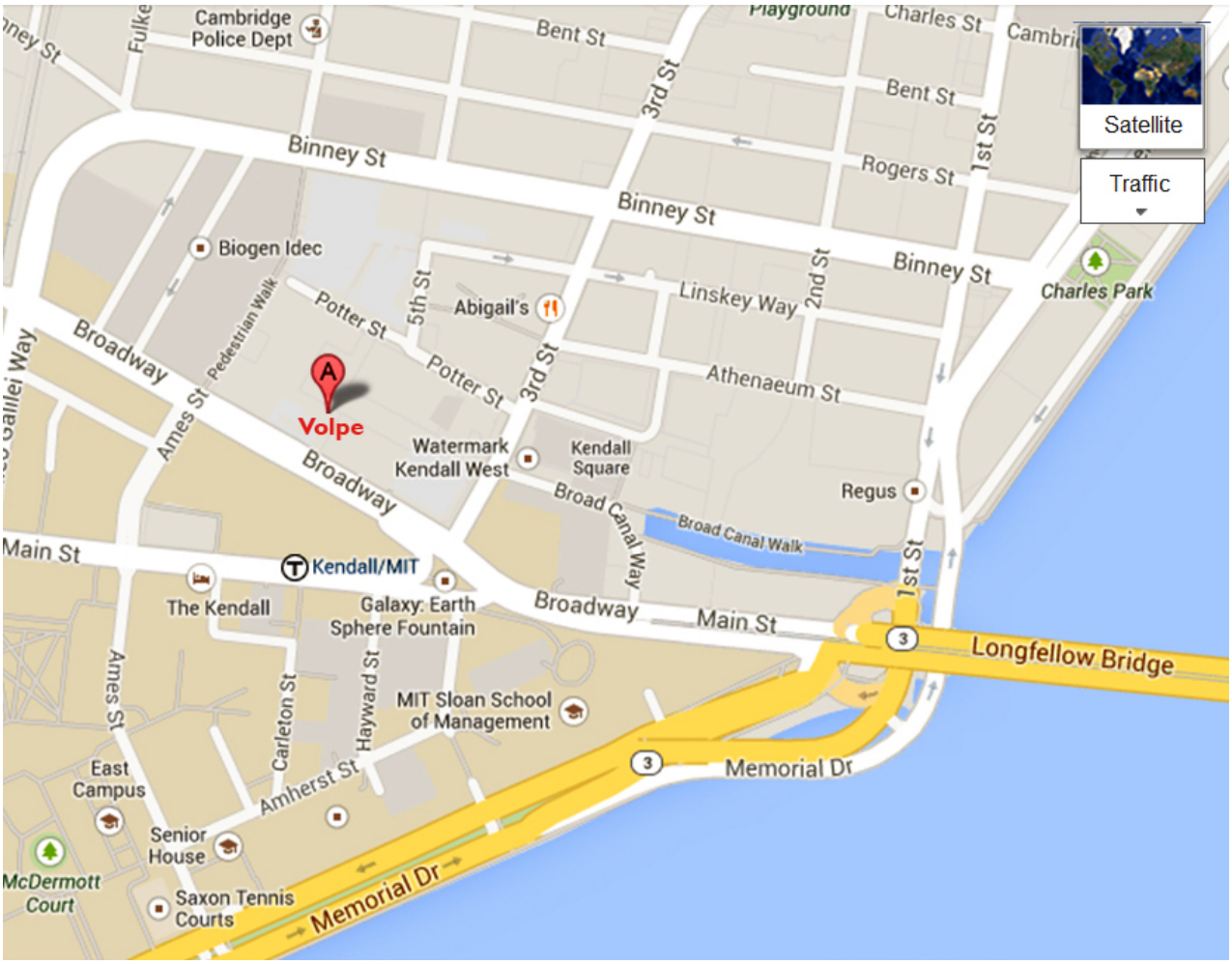

Hotels

Boston Marriott Cambridge
Two Cambridge Center, 50 Broadway, Cambridge, MA
617.494.6600
http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/boscb-boston-marriott-cambridge/

Holiday Inn Express
250 Monsignor Obrien Highway, Cambridge, MA
617.577.7600
http://www.hiecambridge.com/

Hotel Marlowe
25 Edwin Land Boulevard, Cambridge, MA
617.868.8000
http://www.hotelmarlowe.com/

Hyatt Regency
575 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA
617.492.1234
http://cambridge.hyatt.com/hyatt/hotels-cambridge/index.jsp?null

The Kendall Hotel
350 Main Street, Cambridge, MA
617.577.1300
http://the-kendall-hotel.rooms0.com/

Le Méridien Cambridge-MIT
20 Sidney Street, Cambridge, MA
617. 577.0200
http://www.starwoodhotels.com/lemeridien/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=3253

Residence Inn Boston Cambridge
6 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA
617.349.0700
http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/BOSCM-Residence-Inn-Boston-Cambridge

Royal Sonesta Hotel
40 Edwin Land Boulevard, Cambridge, MA
617.806.4200
http://www.sonesta.com/Boston/

Restaurants

Abigail's
291 3rd Street, Cambridge, MA
617.945.9086
http://abigailsrestaurant.net/
Style: American (serves brunch)
Dinner entrees from $19

Atasca
50 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA
617.621.6991
http://atasca.com/
Style: Portuguese
Entrees from $15.95

Bean Towne Coffee House
1 Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA
617.621.7900
http://www.beantownecambridge.com/
Style: Coffee & Sandwiches
Sandwiches from $5.50-$7.50

The Blue Room
1 Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA
617.494.9034
http://www.theblueroom.net/
Style: Local and sustainable fine cuisine
Entrees from $19

Cambridge Brewing Company
1 Kendall Square, Bldg 100, Cambridge, MA
617.494.1994
http://cambridgebrewing.com/
Style: American, with a lengthy beer menu
Entrees from $14.00

Champion's Sports Bar
On the Plaza at Kendall Square, 50 Broadway, Cambridge MA (inside the Marriott Hotel)
617.252.4444
http://www.orourkehospitality.com/hostedContent/champCAM/
Style: American
Dinner options from $12 (also serves breakfast and lunch)

Chipotle
2 Cambridge Center, Cambridge MA
857.500.4031
http://www.chipotle.com/en-US/Default.aspx
Style: Mexican (casual, eat in or take-out)
Menu items around $8.00

EVOO
350 3rd Street, Cambridge, MA
617.661.3866
http://www.evoorestaurant.com/
Style: Eclectic New American cuisine
Three courses without wine: $42, with: $60

The Friendly Toast
1 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA
617.621.1200
http://www.thefriendlytoast.net/
Style: American (known for its creative French toast selection)
Extensive breakfast menu under $15
Burgers and sandwiches around $8.00-$12.00

Fuji
300 3rd Street, Cambridge, MA
617.252.0088
http://fujiatkendall.com/index.html
Style: Sushi/Japanese
Dinner entrees from $19, as well as a lunch and sushi menu

Kika Tapas
5 Broad Canal Way
at 350 3rd Street
in the Watermark Building
Cambridge, MA 02142
617.245.6030
http://www.kikatapas.com/kika-contact.html
Style: Tapas
Entrees from $10.00

Legal Sea Foods
5 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA
617.864.3400
http://www.legalseafoods.com/restaurants/cambridge-kendall-square
Style: Seafood
Entrees from $16.95

Tatte
318 3rd Street, Cambridge, MA
617.354.4200
http://www.tattecookies.com/
Style: Bakery
Cookies, cakes, and seasonal specials

Za
350 Third Street, Cambridge, MA
617.452.9292
http://www.zarestaurant.com/
Style: Pizzeria
Pizzas from $7.00

For an extensive list, visit http://www.urbanspoon.com/n/4/322/Boston/Kendall-Square-restaurants.

Museums

Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum

- Congress Street Bridge, Boston, MA
- 1.855.TEA.1773
- http://www.bostonteapartyship.com/
- Monday-Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Adults: $27.50
- Children (4-12): $16.50

Harvard Museum of Natural History

- 26 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA (just past Harvard Yard)
- 617.495.3045
- http://www.hmnh.harvard.edu/
- Open Daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Adults: $9.00
- Non-Harvard Students with I.D.: $7.00
- Seniors (65+): $7.00
- Children ages 3–18: $6.00

John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum

- Columbia Point, Boston, MA (JFK/UMASS T stop on Red Line trains)
- 617. 514.1600
- http://www.jfklibrary.org/
- Open Daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Adults: $12.00
- Seniors (62 and over): $10.00
- Students (with valid college I.D.): $10.00
- Ages 13-17: $9.00
- Children 12 and under are free

Museum of Fine Arts

- 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA (MFA T stop on Green Line "E" trains)
- 617.267.9300
- http://www.mfa.org/
- Monday–Tuesday: 10:00 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
- Wednesday–Friday: 10:00 a.m.–9:45 p.m.
- Saturday–Sunday: 10:00 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
- Adults: $22
- Seniors (65+) and Students (18+): $20
- Youths 6 and under: FREE , 7–17*: FREE*
- *Weekdays after 3:00 p.m., weekends, and Boston public school holidays; otherwise $10

MIT Museum

- 265 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA
- 617.253.5927
- http://web.mit.edu/museum/
- Open Daily 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Adults: $8.50
- Youth under 18, students, and seniors: $4.00

Museum of Science

- 1 Science Park, Boston, MA
- 617.723.2500
- http://www.mos.org/
- Saturday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
- Adult (12+): $22.00
- Child (3-11): $19.00
- Senior (60+): $20.00

Paul Revere House

- 19 North Square, Boston, MA
- 617. 523.2338
- http://www.paulreverehouse.org/index.html
- Open Daily: April 15–October 31, 9:30 a.m.–5:15 p.m.; November 1–April 14, 9:30 a.m.–4:15 p.m.
- Adults: $3.50
- College students/seniors: $3.00
- Children (ages 5-17): $1.00

USS Constitution Museum

- Charlestown Navy Yard, Building 22, Charlestown, MA
- 617. 426.1812
- http://www.ussconstitutionmuseum.org/
- November 1–March 31, Open Daily 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; April 1–October 31, Open Daily 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
- Admission (suggested donation): Adults: $5.00, Seniors: $3.00, Children: $2.00

Attractions and Tours

Boston Duck Tours

- Points of Departure:
  The Museum of Science (1 Science Park, Boston, MA)
  The Prudential Center in Boston's Back Bay (53 Huntington Ave, Boston, MA, on Huntington Avenue in front of Shaw's Supermarket, across from the Marriott Copley)
  The New England Aquarium (1 Central Wharf, Boston, MA) (Aquarium departures are seasonal and abbreviated)
- 617.267.DUCK (3825)
- http://www.bostonducktours.com/Default.aspx
- Operates from March to November (daily tours start at 3:00)
- Adult: From Prudential/MOS: $32.99
  From Aquarium: $28.99
- Student/Senior (62+)/Military
  From Prudential/MOS: $27.00
  From Aquarium: $25.00
- Children (3-11)
  From Prudential/MOS: $22.00
  From Aquarium: $19.00
- Small Children (under 3)
  From Prudential/MOS/Aquarium: $10.00

Cambridge Historical Tours

- Tours begin by the New Towne Market sculpture in Harvard Square (Located at the corner of John F. Kennedy St. and Mt. Auburn St.)
- http://cambridgehistoricaltours.org/
- Monday–Friday: 11:00 a.m., Saturday & Sunday: 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.
- 90-minute tour
  Adults (12+): $12.00
  Children under 12: $7.00
- 120-minute tour
  Adults (12+): $15.00
  Children under 12: $10.00

Fenway Park: Home of the Boston Red Sox

- 4 Yawkey Way, Boston, MA (Kenmore T stop on all Green Line trains except "E" trains)
- 617.226.6666
- http://boston.redsox.mlb.com/bos/ballpark/tour.jsp
- Tours Daily 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (beginning April 9)
- Adults: $16.00
- Seniors: $14.00
- Children (3-15): $12.00
- Students: $12.00
- Military: $12.00

Recreation

Bosse City Club & Spa
- 350 Third Street, Cambridge, MA
- 617.252.0020
- http://www.bossecityclub.com/

Canoe & Kayak @ Kendall Square
- 500 Broad Canal Street, Cambridge, MA
- 617.492.0941
- http://www.paddleboston.com/kendall.php

Concert Series at Kendall Square
- Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. (June through September)
- 300 Athenaeum Street
- http://kendallsquare.org/play/details/concert-series

Kendall Square Cinema
- 355 Binney Street, Cambridge, MA
- 617.499.1995
- http://www.landmarktheatres.com/market/boston/kendallsquarecinema.htm

Kendall Square Farmer's Market
- Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. (June through October)
- 500 Kendall Street, Cambridge, MA
- http://kendallsquare.org/shop/details/farmers-market

Kendall Square Skating Rink
- 300 Athenaeum St, Cambridge, MA
- 617.492.0941
- http://www.kendallsquare.org/play/details/community-ice-skating/

Thomas P. O'Neill Golf Course at Fresh Pond
- 691 Huron Ave, Cambridge, MA
- 617.349.6282
- http://www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP/Recreation/golfcourse.aspx