

Schedule of Events

The Waste Treatment, Transportation, and Disposal training program is planned for Tuesday, February 14, 2023, through Thursday, February 16, 2023, at the Region 3 EPA Office, Beech Room in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The training begins each day at 8:30 a.m. Eastern time and ends on Thursday at 12:00 p.m. Eastern time. Please plan your travel accordingly.

The EPA Region 3 Office is located at Four Penn Center at:

1600 John F. Kennedy Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

<https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/visiting-epa-region-3s-office-philadelphia-pa>

Please note: The training will be held at the EPA Region 3 Office in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. A sleeping room block is set up at the Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square in Philadelphia, approximately 1.5 blocks from the region office. Limited street parking is available. The website above provides a list of parking garages close by.



Hotel Information

Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square
1800 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103
Phone: (215) 561-7500

For additional information about the Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square hotel, visit: <https://www.sonesta.com/sonesta-hotels-resorts/pa/philadelphia/sonesta-philadelphia-rittenhouse-square>

Sleeping Room Reservations

A block of sleeping rooms is being held at the Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square hotel for participants to make their sleeping room reservations. **You must make your reservation no later than January 26, 2023.**

The lodging rate is \$149 per night plus 16.25 percent tax. Included in the room rate is complimentary internet access in your room and a complimentary hosted evening wine hour and morning coffee and tea.

To make your sleeping room reservation at the Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square hotel, please call the hotel directly at (215) 561-7500 and request the “**Waste Treatment, Transportation and Disposal – Region 3**” room block. To make your reservation online, please visit the following link: <https://www.sonesta.com/sonesta-hotels-resorts/pa/philadelphia/sonesta-philadelphia-rittenhouse-square?isGroupCode=true&groupCode=G021323WAST&checkin=2023-02-13&checkout=2023-02-16>.

Reservations at the Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square must be confirmed with a credit card.

You are responsible for cancelling your hotel reservation if you cannot attend. **The hotel requires a notice of cancellation within 24 hours before 4:00 p.m. local time prior to the day of your scheduled arrival.** If you fail to provide notice, one night’s lodging and all applicable taxes will be charged to your credit card.

Hotel check-in begins after 4:00 p.m., and check-out time is 11:00 a.m.

Hotel Amenities and Features

The Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square offers the following amenities and features:

- ❖ Two in-house restaurants including the Art Bar and Ruth’s Chris Steak House. The Art Bar is open seven days a week for breakfast to go items from 6:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. It is open for bar service Tuesday through Saturday evenings from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Ruth’s Chris Steak House is open for lunch Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and for dinner Sunday through Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- ❖ Located in the heart of Center City, other restaurants and attractions are within walking distance or a short cab ride. An Art Gallery is located in the lobby of the hotel.

- ❖ Complimentary fitness center available 24 hours. The heated rooftop outdoor pool is open from Memorial through Labor Day.
- ❖ Complimentary high-speed wireless internet access in all guest rooms. The rooms also include an in-room refrigerator.

What to Pack for the Philadelphia Area

Average temperatures for the Philadelphia area in February range from a high of 44°F to a low of 28°F. Please be advised that temperatures in the training room do not reflect temperatures outside. Be sure to pack a light jacket or sweater to wear while you attend the training.

Getting to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The Philadelphia area is served by the Philadelphia International Airport (PHL). PHL is located approximately ten miles from downtown and Center City, the location of the hotel. Additional information about the airport is available at <https://phl.org/>.

The Philadelphia area is also serviced by Amtrak. The main train station is the 30th Street Station (Philadelphia Station, 2955 Market Street) and is approximately 1.2 miles from the hotel.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is in the Eastern Time Zone.

Ground Transportation

Public Transportation: The Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) provides train service from the airport to Center City. It also provides numerous transportation options throughout the city. To explore the various options, including a mapping feature, visit <https://www5.septa.org/>. Directions on using train service from the airport to the hotel and from the Amtrak Station to the hotel are described below.

- ❖ **Airport:** The train service that runs from the airport to Center City is referred to as the Airport Regional Rail Line. Trains run every 30 minutes on weekdays and operate from 4:13 am to 11:03 pm (Center City to Airport) and from 5:07 am to 12:07 am (Airport to Center City). On weekends, trains run hourly and operate from 5:13 am to 11:13 pm (Center City to Airport) and from 6:07 am to 12:07 am (Airport to Center City).

A one-way ticket is approximately \$6.75. The ticket can be purchased at kiosks at the airport or any train station using credit/debit cards, cash, tokens, and electronic payments including Apple Pay, Google Pay and Samsung Pay. If a ticket is purchased on-board, it is \$8.00.

To get to the hotel from the airport via train, take the Airport Regional Train to Suburban Station (also known as Penn Center Station), an approximately 25-minute ride. From Suburban Station, walk 0.2 miles to the hotel. When you come out of the station, walk west towards North 17th Street. Turn left and follow North 17th Street to Market Street (the next block). Note - When 17th Street hits Market, it becomes South 17th Street. Turn right on Market Street towards South 18th Street. Walk one block to the hotel, which sits on the corner of Market Street and South 18th Street.

- ❖ **Amtrak:** The Amtrak train arrives in the Philadelphia Train Station, which is located in the 30th Street Station on the edge of Center City. According to SEPTA's website, the easiest way to make it from the 30th Street Station to the hotel is by trolley. Catch the trolley (10, 11, 13, 34 or 36) at the 30th Street Station and ride it for approximately three minutes to the 19th Street station. Walk east towards 18th Street less than 0.1 miles to the hotel. The fare is approximately \$2.50.

Shared Shuttle Service: Due to COVID, there is not shuttle service currently from the airport to the hotel or vice versa.

Shared Ride Service: Uber and Lyft offer transportation to and from the airport and 30th Street Station. Rides from the airport range from \$15 to \$28 one way, not including gratuity. The ride is approximately 22 minutes. Catch the shared ride services on South Commercial Road outside of each baggage claim. Look for the signs that say, "Ride App/Zone 7." Rides from the train station range from \$6 to \$10 one way, not including gratuity and will take approximately six minutes.

Taxi fare: Taxi fare between the airport and hotel is approximately \$30 one way, not including gratuity. Taxis are located at Zone 5, on the South Commercial Roadway. Taxi fare between the train station and hotel is approximately \$8, not including gratuity. For a list of cab companies, see <https://phl.org/to-and-from/taxis-and-limousines>.

Parking: The hotel offers valet parking with unlimited in-out privileges at a discounted rate for this program. From Sunday through Thursday, the discount is 25% off the normal price, which is currently published as \$54/day. For Friday through Saturday, the discount is 50% off the normal rate, which is currently published as \$50. The maximum height on vehicles for the parking garage is six feet six inches. There are several self-parking garages within walking distance of the hotel within \$35 to \$40, prices subject to change. For a listing of parking garages in the area, see the hotel's website at <https://www.sonesta.com/sonesta-hotels-resorts/pa/philadelphia/sonesta-philadelphia-rittenhouse-square>. Scroll to the bottom and choose parking.

Sonesta Philadelphia Rittenhouse Square



Walking Directions

From Suburban Station to Hotel (approximately five-minute walk)

1. Go towards North 17th and turn left (south) on North 17 Street. Follow North 17th Street to Market Street (the next block). Note - When 17th Street hits Market, it becomes South 17th Street.
2. Turn right on Market Street towards South 18th Street. Walk one block to the hotel, which sits on the corner of Market Street and South 18th Street.

From Hotel to EPA Region 3 Office (approximately five-minute walk)

1. Follow Market Street east towards 17th Street. Turn left on North 17th Street.
2. Follow 17th Street to John F. Kennedy Boulevard. Turn right toward North 16th Street. The office is half-way down the block.

