

FEATURES OF THE CEPAS-COMPLIANT CARD

The new CEPAS-compliant card offers the following features/ benefits:

- (i) **Easy to use**
Like the current ez-link card, holders of the CEPAS-compliant card just need to tap or place the card near the entry and exit reader when boarding and alighting the bus/train.
- (ii) **Multiple uses**
In addition to public transport fare transactions, the CEPAS-compliant card can eventually be used for other payments such as ERP transactions with the new generation in-vehicle unit, Electronic Parking System (EPS) carpark, payments at shops and more.
- (iii) **Full access of the card's stored value for non-transit payments**
Currently, the ez-link card has a \$3 travel deposit which is not shown as the card balance. Hence, when the card reader reflects a card as having \$0.01 there is actually a \$3.01 value still in the card. This value is locked in as a travel deposit and can only be used for travel on trains and buses. This is why commuters are able to start a train or bus trip with only \$0.01 reflected in their ez-link card.

With the new CEPAS-compliant card, there is no travel deposit and the real balance in the card is shown. Commuters will have access to the full value of their card for transit and non-transit payments.

With the new CEPAS-compliant card, the minimum value that commuters must have in their card before they board the train remains at \$3. However, this amount could be less than \$3 for basic bus services, depending on the service and route.