

# חברים את ישראל

The Light Rail Network  
is On the Way



**Construction of the Blue Line Light Rail on  
Emek Refa'im Street is underway!**

**Changes in Public Transport Routes  
On Emek Refa'im St.**

**Starting Monday - 7 July 2025**



אוהבים את  
ירושלים יפה



## Dear Passengers,

We would like to inform you that on Monday, 7.7.2025, construction will begin on the Blue Line route of the Light Rail on Emek Refa'im Street.

Once construction begins, the existing traffic arrangements will be modified, and the street will operate as a one-way road.

Travel will be made possible from the Derech Beit Lehem intersection (Liberty Bell Park) to Rachel Imenu Street and in the opposite direction from Oranim Junction to Rachel Imenu Street. See detailed information about traffic arrangements on page 4.

We are doing everything possible to minimize the impact of construction on residence and road users.

In order to maintain accessibility to public transportation and to ease traffic congestion, we have established detours, implemented new traffic arrangements, and adjusted bus routes accordingly.

For your convenience, this booklet describes changes in the various line routes.

You can get updates of changes at any time at the Ministry of Transport information website [bus.gov.il](http://bus.gov.il)

Have a safe, pleasant and efficient journey.



## What's new in public transport in Jerusalem?

### New Line .....



Talpiot -> King David -> Talpiot  
Emek Refa'im Circulator  
Minibus Route  
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### Cancelled Line .....



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### Modified Lines .....



Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC) <->  
Malha

Will continue along Dostai Street  
without passing through Emek  
Refa'im Street and Oranim  
Junction. The frequency of the  
line will be increased.  
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Malha <-> Binyanei Ha'Umma  
(ICC)

**Towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC):** From  
Oranim Junction, the line will continue  
along Emek Refa'im and Rachel Imenu  
Streets, then continue through Old  
Katamon, and return to its original route  
via King David and Shivte Yisra'el Streets.

**Towards Malha:** The line will continue  
along from Agron Street to Old Katamon,  
and return via Hizkiyahu HaMelech Street  
to its route from Elazar HaModaei Street  
to Malha.  
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Talpiot <-> Mt. Scopus

**Towards Mt. Scopus:** The line will  
continue along Rivka and Derech  
Beit Lehem Streets without passing  
through Emek Refa'im.

**Towards Talpiot:** Will continue  
its route on Emek Refa'im Street  
to Rachel Imenu Intersection, and  
then via Rachel Imenu and Elazar  
HaModa'i Streets.  
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HaRozmarin Interchange <->  
Talpiot <-> Neve Ya'akov

**In both directions:** The line will continue  
along Derech Beit Lehem, Miriam  
HaHashmona'it, Derech Hevron, and Rivka,  
without passing through Emek Refa'im.

**Towards Neve Ya'akov:** The route in Talpiot  
will continue via Pierre Koenig Street,  
without passing Yad Harutzim Street.  
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HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit  
(French Hill) <-> Malha

**Towards HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit  
(French Hill):** Will travel along  
Rachel Imenu, Kovshei Katamon,  
Kaf Tet BeNovember, Dubnov and  
Yitzhak Elhanan Streets.

**Towards Malha:** Will continue along  
Rachel Imenu and Elazar HaModa'i  
Streets.  
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Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC) <-> Ramat  
Rachel

**Towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC):** The  
line will continue along Emek Refa'im,  
Rachel Imenu, Kovshei Katamon, Kaf Tet  
BeNovember, Marcus and HaAri Streets.

**Towards Ramat Rachel:** The line will  
continue along Emek Refa'im, Rachel  
Imenu and Elazar HaModa'i Streets.  
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With the resumption of the Night Lines, certain routes will be modified



For detailed information about the changes, please visit the Night Lines website: [kav-layla.co.il](http://kav-layla.co.il)



## New traffic arrangements on Emek Refa'im Street

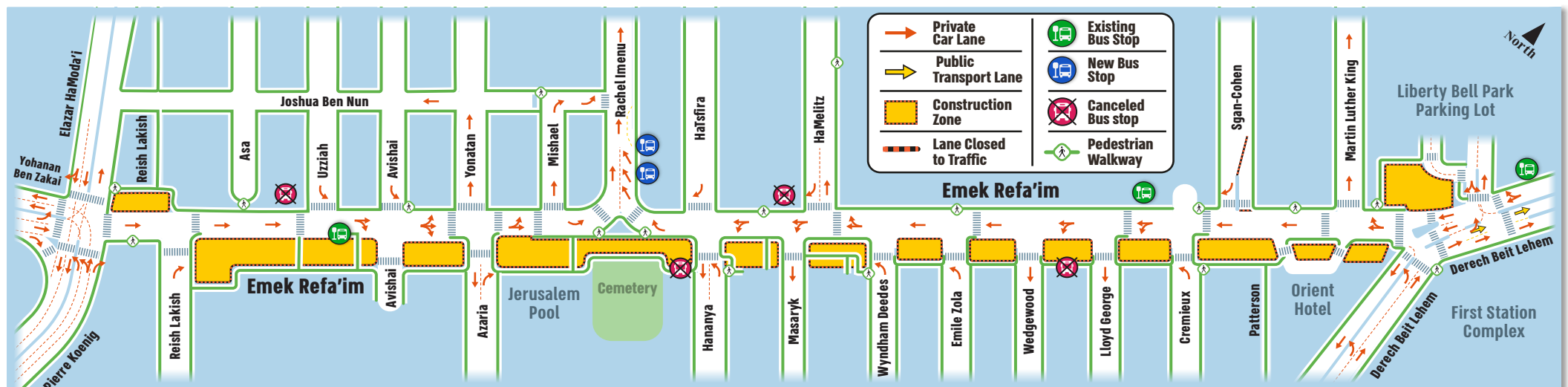
**Starting Monday, 7.7.2025, construction will begin as part of the preparation for the Blue Line on Emek Refa'im Street**

Construction will be carried out Sunday through Thursday, between 7:00 and 19:00 for about two months.

In the first phase, construction will include infrastructure replacement and upgrades, and traffic on the street will become one-way.

### New traffic arrangements, which will take effect once construction begins on Emek Refa'im Street:

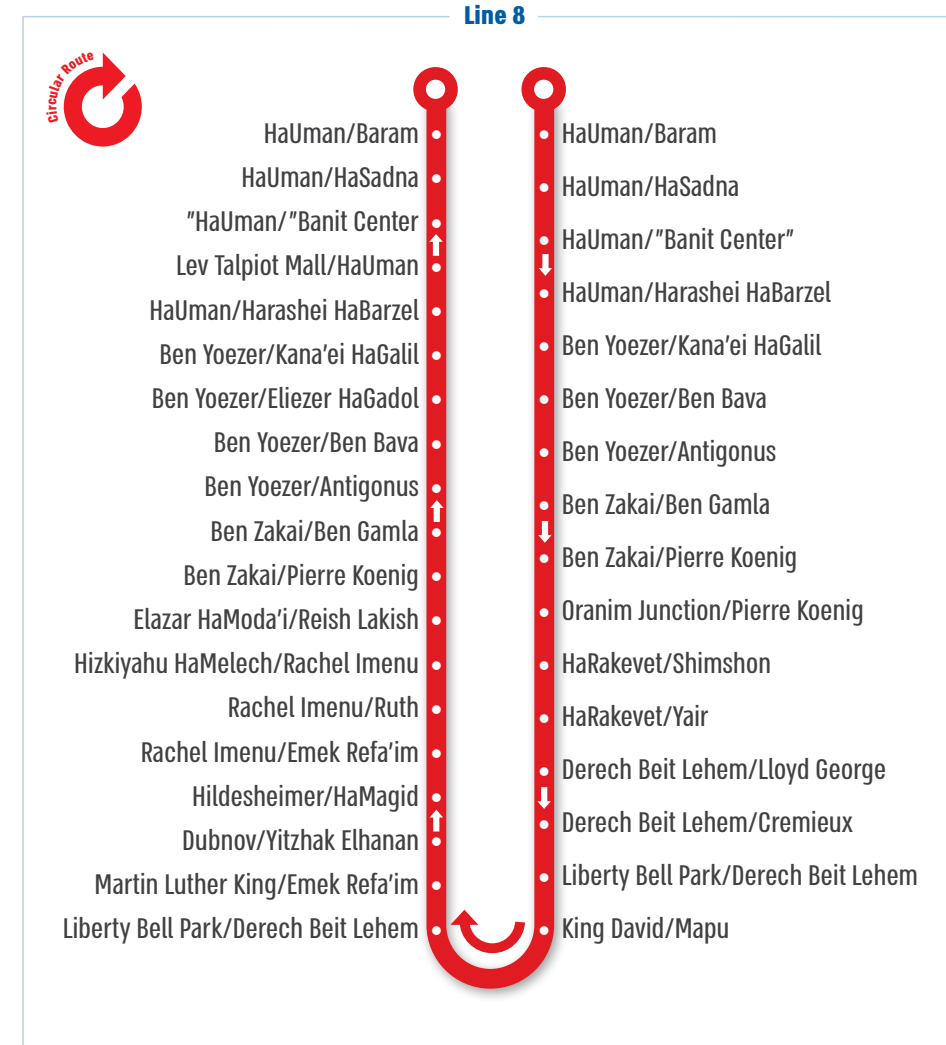
- Traffic on Emek Refa'im Street will become one-way, from Derech Beit Lehem Intersection to Rachel Imenu Street, and from Oranim Junction to Rachel Imenu Street
- Traffic on Rachel Imenu Street will become one-way, from the Emek Refa'im Intersection to Hildesheimer Street
- Construction will be carried out on the eastern side of Emek Refa'im Street (on the side of the Jerusalem Pool). Vehicle traffic will be allowed on its western side
- Business operations and pedestrian access along the street will be maintained at all times





## Talpiot -> Plumer Square -> Talpiot Minibus Loop Route around Emek Refa'im

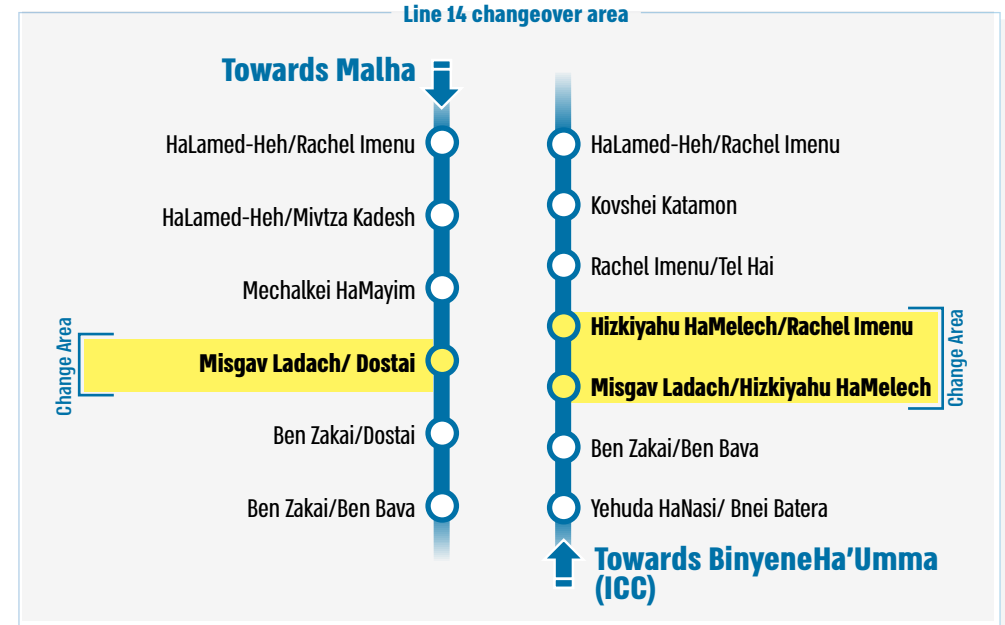
A new line will travel on the canceled Line 13 route from HaUman Street in Talpiot to Yossi Ben Yoezer Street in Gonenim, and continue to a route circling around Emek Refa'im Street - via HaRakevet and Derech Beit Lehem Streets and Liberty Bell Park to King David Street (Plumer Square). Then it will return via Liberty Bell Park, Martin Luther King Street, the Museum of Natural History, and Rachel Imenu and Elazar HaModa'i Streets back to Yossi Ben Yoezer Street and Talpiot.



## Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC) <-> Malha

The line will travel on a shortened route between Old Katamon and Malha via Dostai Street, without passing through Oranim Junction and Emek Refa'im Street. The stop at the Chords Bridge station will be canceled in both directions. The frequency of the line will be increased.

**Please note! The stations on Hizkiyahu HaMelech Street now serve the opposite direction.**



### Canceled stops towards Malha

- ~~Chords Bridge/Herzl Blvd. (No. 4216)~~
- ~~Misgav Ladach/Hizkiyahu HaMelech (No. 1621)~~
- ~~Hizkiyahu HaMelech/Rachel Imenu (No. 1205)~~
- ~~Rachel Imenu/Ruth (No. 1041)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1042)~~
- ~~Ben Zakai/Pierre Koenig (No. 1024)~~
- ~~Ben Zakai/Ben Gamla (No. 1025)~~

Please note!  
From now on,  
the line will stop  
at these stations  
towards Binyanei  
Ha'Umma (ICC)  
rather than  
towards Malha

### Canceled Stops towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)

- ~~Ben Zakai/Dostai (No. 1017)~~
- ~~Ben Zakai/Ben Gamla (No. 1021)~~
- ~~Ben Zakai/Pierre Koenig (No. 1022)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1260)~~
- ~~Rachel Imenu/Ruth (No. 1043)~~
- ~~Chords Bridge/Herzl Blvd. (No. 4216)~~

**Are you used to traveling from Emek Refa'im to Giv'at Ram on Line 14?**  
Alternative Routes:

**Line 90** From Elazar HaModa'i Street to Nayot Campus Gate, the Israel Museum and Government Complex  
**Lines 18, 77, 97** From Emek Refa'im/Uzziah stop to Rachel Imenu/Tel Hai stop, with a transfer to Line 14



# Malha <-> Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)

**Towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC):** Travel unchanged up to Oranim Junction. Will continue to Emek Refa'im and Rachel Imenu Streets (note the reversed direction of travel), then follow Line 13 route from Kovshei Katamon Street up to King David Street. From King David Street, will return to its original route via Shivte Yisra'el Street.

The line will not pass through Elazar HaModa'i Street and the northern part of Emek Refa'im Street.

**Towards Malha:** Will travel without change to King George Street. From there, will turn onto Agron Street and continue on Line 13 route to Old Katamon. From HaHish Street, will turn onto Hizkiyahu HaMelech Street and return to its original route from Elazar HaModa'i Street to Malha.

The line will not pass through Keren HaYesod, Emek Refa'im and Rachel Imenu Streets.

## Line 18 Change Area



### Canceled stops towards Malha

- ~~Icon~~ Keren HaYesod/Ahad Ha'am (No. 2946)
- ~~Icon~~ Keren HaYesod/Shalom Aleichem (No. 1083)
- ~~Icon~~ Liberty Bell Park/Derech Beit Lehem (No. 1058)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/Lloyd Gorge (No. 1051)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1047)
- ~~Icon~~ Rachel Imenu/Ruth (No. 1043)
- ~~Icon~~ Hizkiyahu HaMelech/Rachel Imenu (No. 3046)

Please note! From now on, the line will stop at this station towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC) rather than towards Malha

### Canceled Stops towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)

- ~~Icon~~ Elazar HaModa'i/Reish Lakish (No. 1026)
- ~~Icon~~ Hizkiyahu HaMelech/Rachel Imenu (No. 1205)
- ~~Icon~~ Rachel Imenu/Ruth (No. 1041)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1044)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/Lloyd Gorge (No. 1048)
- ~~Icon~~ Liberty Bell Park/Derech Beit Lehem (No. 1056)

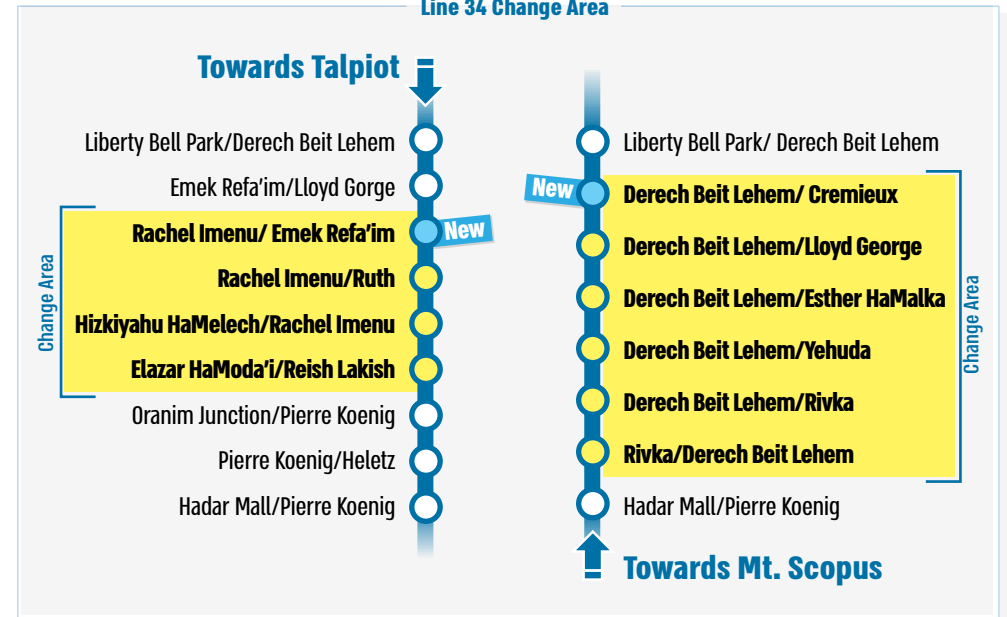


# Talpiot <-> Mt. Scopus

**Towards Mt. Scopus:** The line will travel along Rivka and Derech Beit Lehem Streets, without passing through Oranim Junction and Emek Refa'im.

**Towards Talpiot:** The line will continue traveling along Emek Refa'im Street up to Rachel Imenu Intersection, then continue along Rachel Imenu and Elazar HaModa'i Streets, on its way back to Oranim Junction and Talpiot.

## Line 34 Change Area



### Canceled stops towards Talpiot

- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1047)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1042)

### Canceled Stops towards Mt. Scopus

- ~~Icon~~ Pierre Koenig/Heletz (No. 1028)
- ~~Icon~~ Oranim Junction/Pierre Koenig (No. 1856)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1260)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1044)
- ~~Icon~~ Emek Refa'im/Lloyd Gorge (No. 1048)

Are you used to traveling on Lines 34 and 49 from Talpiot to Emek Refa'im?

Alternative Routes:

- Lines 34 and 49 to Derech Beit Lehem
- Line 8 From HaUman Street to HaRaveket Street
- Line 97 From Hadar Mall to Emek Refa'im (up to Rachel Imenu)



## HaRozmarin Interchange <-> Talpiot <-> Neve Ya'akov

Line 49 will travel on a new route between Liberty Bell Park and Talpiot in both directions, via Derech Beit Lehem (note the new stops), Miriam HaHashmonait, Derech Hevron and Rivka Streets.

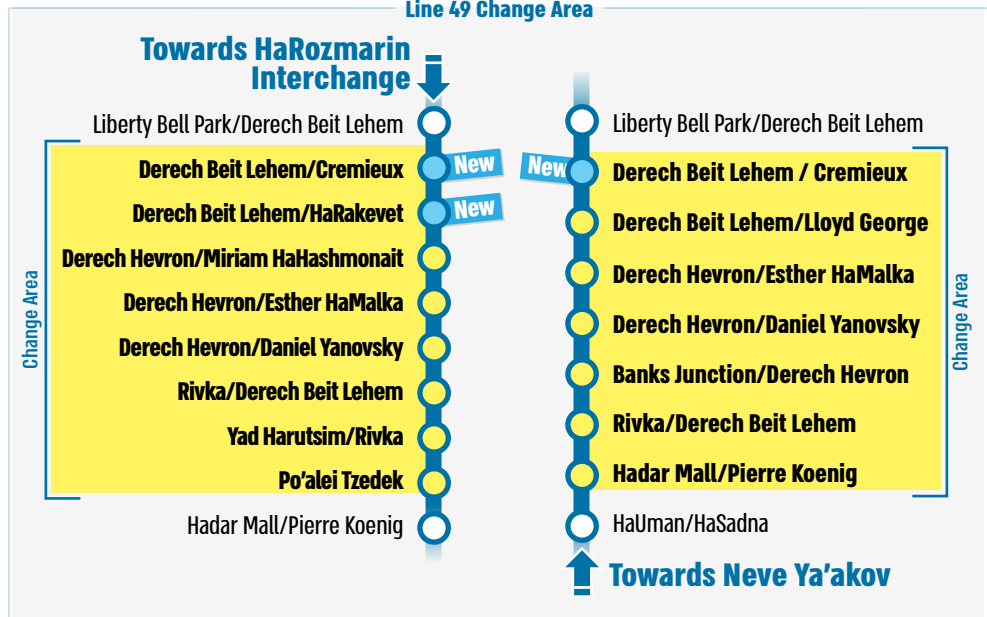
The line will not pass through Emek Refa'im Street and Oranim Junction.

**Change in the route in Talpiot:**

**Towards Neve Ya'akov:** The line will travel on a shortened route, directly from HaUman Street to Hadar Mall. The stations on HaSadna, Yad Harutsim and Po'alei Tzedek Streets will be cancelled.

**Towards HaRozmarin Interchange:** The line will travel from Rivka Street via Yad Harutsim and Po'alei Tzedek Streets and return to its original route from Hadar Mall to HaRozmarin Interchange.

Line 49 Change Area



**Canceled stops towards HaRozmarin Interchange**

- ~~Emek Refa'im/Lloyd Gorge (No. 1051)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1047)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1042)~~
- ~~Oranim Junction/Pierre Koenig (No. 1858)~~
- ~~Pierre Koenig/Heletz (No. 1258)~~

**Canceled Stops towards Neve Ya'akov**

- ~~HaSadna/Pierre Koenig (No. 5987)~~
- ~~Yad Harutsim/HaTnufa (No. 5988)~~
- ~~Yad Harutsim/Po'alei Tzedek (No. 9921)~~
- ~~Po'alei Tzedek (No. 2540)~~ Please note! From now on, the line will stop at this station towards HaRozmarin Interchange rather than towards Neve Ya'akov
- ~~Pierre Koenig/Heletz (No. 1028)~~
- ~~Oranim Junction/Pierre Koenig (No. 1856)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1260)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1044)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/Lloyd Gorge (No. 1048)~~

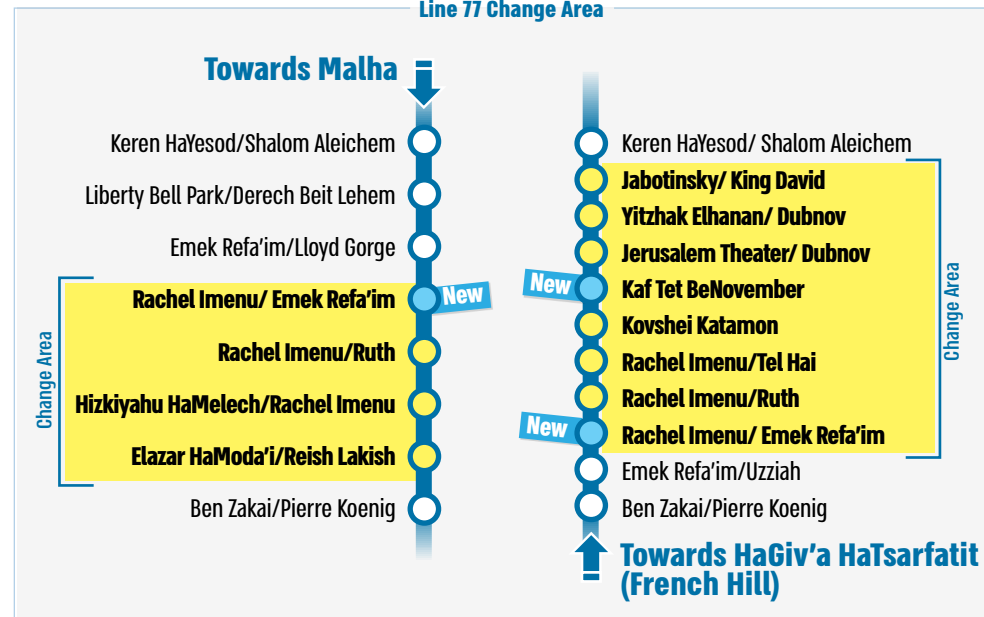


## HaGiv'a HaTsarfati (French Hill) <-> Malha

**Towards HaGiv'a HaTsarfati (French Hill):** The line will travel through Rachel Imenu, Kovshei Katamon, Kaf Tet BeNovember, Dubnov and Yitshak Elhanan Streets. The line will not pass through the northern part of Emek Refa'im Street.

**Towards Malha:** The line will travel on its normal route along Emek Refa'im Street up to Rachel Imenu Intersection, then via Rachel Imenu and Elazar HaModa'i Streets back to Oranim Junction.

Line 77 Change Area



**Canceled stops towards Malha**

- ~~Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1047)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1042)~~

**Canceled Stops towards HaGiv'a HaTsarfati (French Hill)**

- ~~Emek Refa'im/HaTsifra (No. 1044)~~
- ~~Emek Refa'im/Lloyd Gorge (No. 1048)~~
- ~~Liberty Bell Park/Derech Beit Lehem (No. 1056)~~

**Are you used to traveling on Lines 18 or 77 to the First Station Complex?**

Alternative Routes:

**The New Line 8**  
Line 77 to Yitzhak Elhanan Street (above Liberty Bell Park)

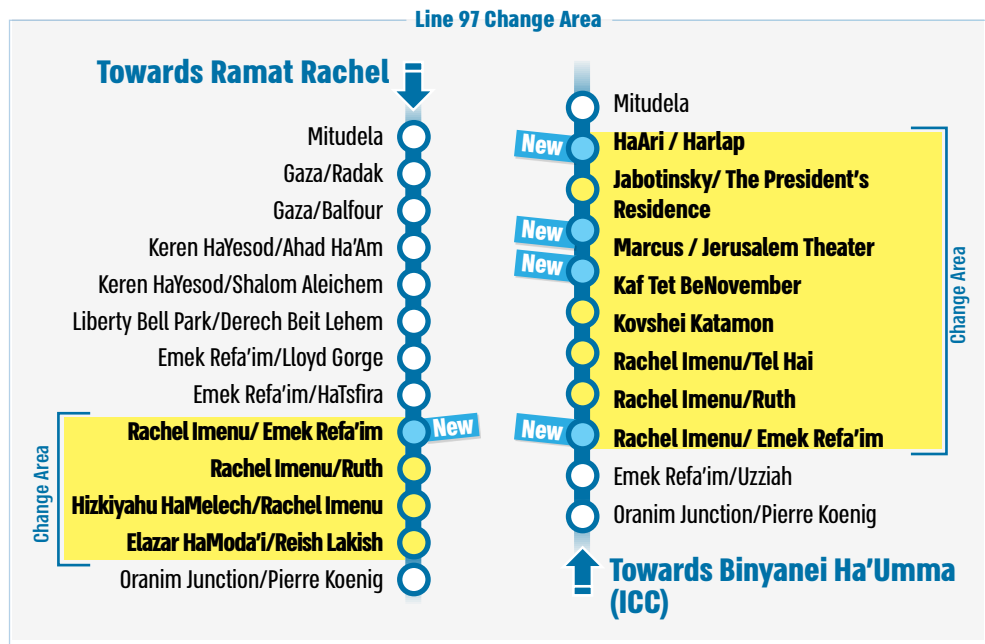


## Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC) <-> Ramat Rachel

**Towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC):** The line will travel on a new route from Emek Refa'im Street to Rehavia, through Rachel Imenu, Kovshei Katamon, Kaf Tet BeNovember, Marcus, HaNasi and HaAri Streets to Mitudela Street.

The line will not pass through the northern part of Emek Refa'im Street, Liberty Bell Park, and on Keren HaYesod, Arlosoroff and Gaza Streets. The drop-off station at Chords Bridge will be canceled.

**Towards Ramat Rachel:** The line will continue to pass through Keren HaYesod Street, Liberty Bell Park and Emek Refa'im Street up to Rachel Imenu Intersection, then through Rachel Imenu and Elazar HaModa'i Streets back to Oranim Junction.



### Canceled stops towards Ramat Rachel

- Emek Refa'im/HaTsira (No. 1047)
- Emek Refa'im/Uzziah (No. 1042)

### Canceled stops towards Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)

- Emek Refa'im/HaTsira (No. 1044)
- Emek Refa'im/Lloyd Gorge (No. 1048)
- Liberty Bell Park/Derech Beit Lehem (No. 1056)
- Keren HaYesod/Shalom Aleichem (No. 1957)
- Arlosoroff/Ben Maimon Boulevard (No. 1081)
- Gaza/Radak (No. 1077)

## Line 18 is cancelled, alternative lines are available:

### Old Katamon -> City Center

- > Line will replace Line route from Rachel Imenu Street to King David and will continue in the City Center to Shivte Yisra'el and HaNevi'im Streets
- > Line from Rachel Imenu, Kovshei Katamon and Kaf Tet BeNovember Streets, to King George Street and Kikar HaShabbat

**Please note! Line towards the City Center does not pass through Hizkiyahu HaMelech Street (Misgav Ladach).**

- > Alternative stations in the area for Lines and towards the City Center: on Ben Zakai, Rachel Imenu, and Kovshei Katamon Streets

### City Center -> Old Katamon

- > Line will replace Line route from King George Street to Old Katamon
- > Lines and from King George Street to Rachel Imenu and Hizkiyahu HaMelech Streets

### Line 8 between Yossi Ben Yoezer and HaUman Streets

- > The new line

# New public transport routes on Emek Refa'im Street

**Legend**

**Bus Lines**

- 14
- 18
- 34
- 49
- 77
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**Minibus Line**

- 8

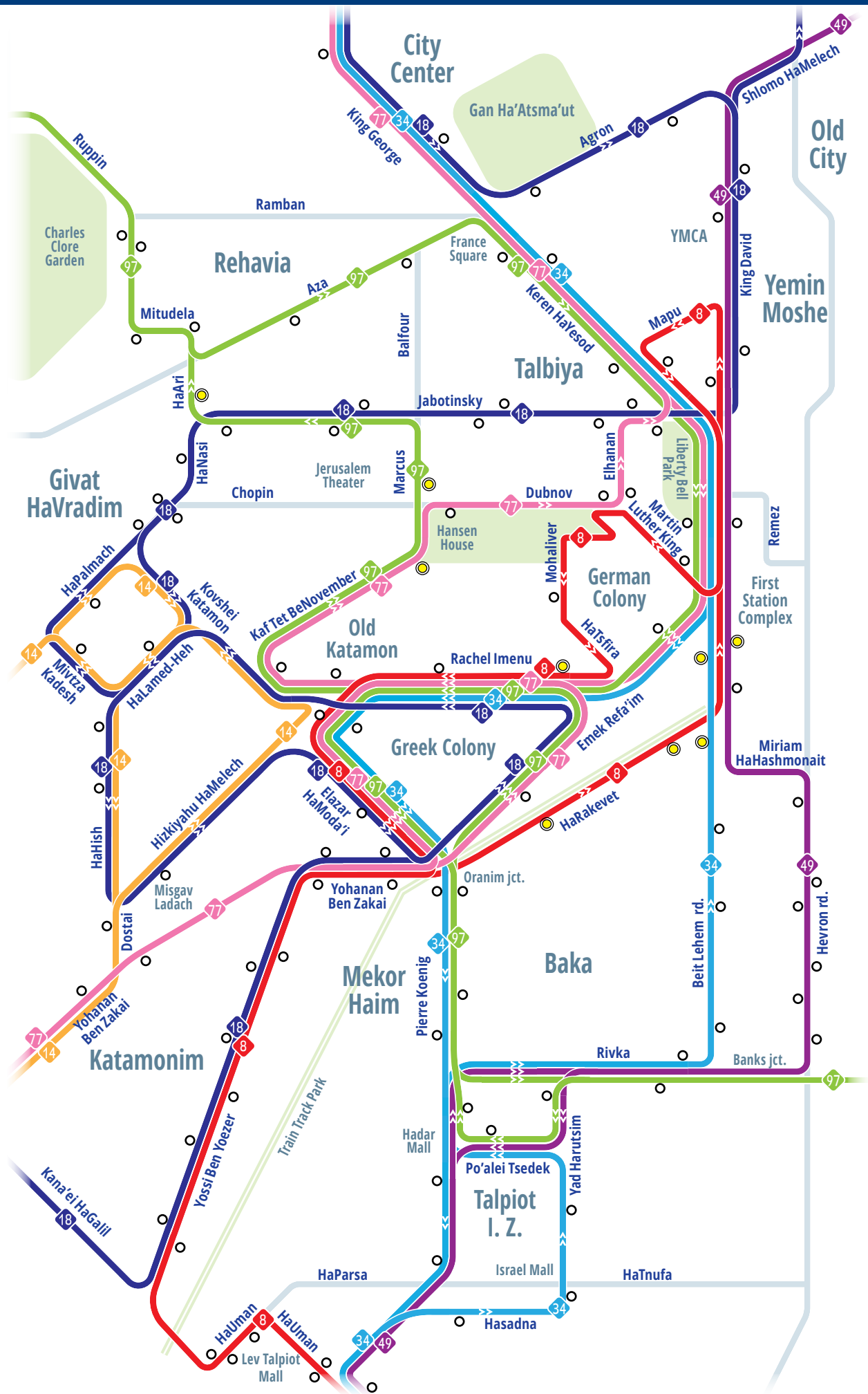
**Travel Directions**

← →

○ Existing Stop

⊙ New Stop

The map shows only the lines with route changes



# Location of bus stops and lines in the construction area



Station	Lines
1026 Elazar HaModa'i / Reish Lakish	90 to Herzog Hospital via Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
1043 Rachel Imenu / Ruth	8 to Talpiot   18 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)   34 to Talpiot   77 to Malha   77 to HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit   97 to Ramat Rachel   97 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
1051 Emek Refa'im / Lloyd George	34 to Talpiot   77 to Malha   97 to Ramat Rachel
1056 Liberty Bell Park / Beit Lehem Rd.	7 to Giv'at Ram   8 to King David   34 to Mt. Scopus   49 to Neve Ya'akov
1058 Liberty Bell Park / Beit Lehem Rd.	8 to Talpiot   34 to Talpiot   49 to HaRozmarin Interchange via Talpiot   77 to Malha   97 to Ramat Rachel
1154 Dubnov / Yitzhak Elhanan	8 to Talpiot   91 to Herzog Hospital
1155 Yitzhak Elhanan / Dubnov	77 to HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit (French Hill)   91 to Talpiot East
1204 Elazar HaModa'i / Reish Lakish	8 to Talpiot   18 to Malha   34 to Talpiot   77 to Malha   90 to Talpiot East   97 to Ramat Rachel
1205 Hizkiyahu HaMelech / Rachel Imenu	14 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)   90 to Herzog Hospital via Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
1260 Emek Refa'im / Uzziah	18 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)   77 to HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit (French Hill)   97 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
1379 Theater / Frederic Chopin	91 to Herzog Hospital
1380 Theater / Dubnov	77 to HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit (French Hill)   91 to Talpiot East
1682 Rachel Imenu / Tel Hai	14 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)   18 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)   77 to HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit   90 to Herzog Hospital via Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)   97 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
2135 Martin Luther King / Emek Refa'im	8 to Talpiot
2136 Beit Lehem Rd. / Cremieux	7 to Giv'at Ram   8 to King David   34 to Mt. Scopus   49 to Neve Ya'akov
2138 Beit Lehem Rd. / Cremieux	49 to HaRozmarin Interchange via Talpiot
2139 Hildesheimer / HaMagid	8 to Talpiot
2140 1 Rachel Imenu / Emek Refa'im	18 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)   77 to HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit (French Hill)   97 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
2140 2 Rachel Imenu / Emek Refa'im	8 to Talpiot   34 to Talpiot   77 to Malha   97 to Ramat Rachel
2141 Kaf Tet BeNovember	77 to HaGiv'a HaTsarfatit (French Hill)   97 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
2142 Jerusalem Theater / David Marcus	97 to Binyanei Ha'Umma (ICC)
2151 HaRakevet / Shimshon	8 to King David
2159 HaRakevet / Yair	8 to King David
2171 Beit Lehem Rd. / HaRakevet	49 to HaRozmarin Interchange via Talpiot
3046 Hizkiyahu HaMelech / Rachel Imenu	8 to Talpiot   34 to Talpiot   77 to Malha   97 to Ramat Rachel
9922 Beit Lehem Rd. / Lloyd George	7 to Giv'at Ram   8 to King David   34 to Mt. Scopus   49 to Neve Ya'akov

# Emek Refa'im Questions and Answers



## • What are the new traffic arrangements on Emek Refa'im Street?

Due to the commencement of light rail construction, Emek Refa'im Street will become one-way in two sections:

- From Liberty Bell Park to Rachel Imenu Street
- And in the opposite direction – from Oranim Junction up to Rachel Imenu Street

This is due to the width of the street, which does not allow for two-way traffic next to the construction area, and the need to maintain traffic, sidewalks, and accessibility.

## • Will there be any changes to traffic arrangements on nearby streets?

In recent weeks, traffic arrangements have been updated on Lloyd George, Dor Dor VeDorshav, Kaf Tet BeNovember and Bustanai Streets. Once construction begins on Emek Refa'im, Rachel Imenu Street will also become one-way – between Emek Refa'im and Hildesheimer Street. Currently, no further changes are expected.

## • Why are public transport routes changing, and why will some of them no longer pass through Emek Refa'im?

The new traffic arrangements in Emek Refa'im will not allow continuous travel along the street. In light of this, the lines were redesigned in order to balance the various detours in the area, while maintaining accessible and convenient service for the residents.

## • Where are the alternative stops located?

Existing and new alternative stops will serve the new routes. Their exact locations appear on the map on pages 14–15.

## • Will access to sidewalks, shops, or building entrances be blocked?

Full pedestrian accessibility will be maintained during most phases of construction. In isolated cases, there may be temporary blockages, in which case early coordination will be made with the tenants and business owners.

## • When will construction be carried out?

Construction will be carried out Sunday through Thursday between 7:00 and 19:00. Construction that may disrupt traffic will sometimes be carried out in the evening and at night, in accordance with permits and police approvals. A notice about this will be published in advance.

## • What will Emek Refa'im Street look like when construction is complete?

When the project is completed, the Blue Line of the Light Rail will travel along the street in the following configuration:

- On the north side of the street, from Liberty Bell Park to HeMeliz Street – a single track that will serve both directions  
Through coordinated traffic flow and a smart control system
- In the center of the street, between HaMeliz and Rachel Imenu Streets – a pedestrian mall with a light rail station
- On the south side of the street, from Rachel Imenu Street up to Oranim Junction – two tracks

**Vehicle traffic will remain one-way in both directions:**

- From north to south – from Liberty Bell Park to Masaryk/HaMeliz Street
- From south to north – from Oranim Intersection to Rachel Imenu Street

## • How can I get more information?

We are operating a comprehensive public information campaign that includes: on-site teams of stewards and representatives, advertisements in print and digital media, radio, telephone information centers, public transportation apps, and a centralized website providing all information and updates.



## The Light Rail Network is On the Way

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