



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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I-78 westbound Express lanes to be closed tonight for bridge work in Newark Runyon Street ramp to I-78 westbound to be detoured tonight

(Trenton) – The I-78 westbound Express lanes and several ramps are scheduled to be closed tonight for repairs to the Bergen Street Bridge over I-78 in Newark, Essex County.

Beginning at 10 p.m. tonight, Friday, January 3, until 6 a.m. tomorrow, Saturday, January 4, the I-78 westbound Express lanes are scheduled to be closed beginning at the NJ Turnpike Toll Plaza with all traffic directed to the Local lanes. The closure is necessary to make repairs to the Bergen Street Bridge over I-78, which was struck by a truck in September 2024. Several ramps will be directed to use I-78 Local lanes and the Runyon Street ramp to I-78 westbound Express and Local lanes is scheduled to be closed. The following detour will be in place:

Runyon Street to I-78 westbound Detour:

- Motorists wishing to take the ramp from Runyon Street to I-78 westbound Express and Local lanes will be directed to stay right to take the ramp to I-78 eastbound
- Stay right to take I-78 Eastbound Local lanes
- Take Exit 58B/Route 1&9 northbound/Frontage Road
- Stay right to continue to Frontage Road
- Turn left onto Frontage Road
- Turn left to take the ramp to I-78 westbound
- Stay right to take the ramp to I-78 westbound

Traffic from the following ramps will be directed to use I-78 westbound Local lanes:

- Route 1&9 southbound to I-78 westbound
- Port Street to I-78 westbound

The work is part of an \$11 million state-funded maintenance project to repair bridges in Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Union, and Warren counties.

Variable Message Signs will provide advance notification to motorists of traffic pattern changes associated with the work. The precise timing of the work is subject to change due to weather or other factors.

Motorists are encouraged to check NJDOT's traffic information website www.511nj.org for real-time travel information and for NJDOT news follow us on X (Twitter) [@NewJerseyDOT](https://twitter.com/NewJerseyDOT), the [NJDOT Facebook page](#), and on Instagram [@newjersey.dot](https://www.instagram.com/newjersey.dot).

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