



CHILTERN TRAINS – MOBILE PHONES CAN TELL IF THEY ARE ON TIME

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CHILTERN RAILWAYS' passengers — travelling on the route to and from London Marylebone — are being offered a chance to try out the latest mobile phone technology, which can provide up-to-the-minute travel information.

Software, called NOMAD, is being provided free of charge and allows people to store train timetables on their mobile telephones (contract or pay-as-you-go).

It also tells users if their train is on time, running late or cancelled, if the station car park is full before they leave home, what time the ticket office opens and closes, which buses go to and from their station (at selected stations).

Passengers trying out the technology will be charged a one-off fee of about ten pence to download the timetables and timetable reader. From then on they can access timetable information free of charge.

Commuters who want to trial the software need to type

'<http://www.jnomad.com>' into their mobile phone's browser.

Chiltern says that detailed instructions are available in "How to Use Nomad" leaflets at all Chiltern Railways stations. The three-month trial will assess whether the service will be offered on a regular basis.

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