

Instructions for Airport-to-Murphys Coach Riders

Introduction. Sacramento International Airport has two Terminals:

Terminal A: Delta, Northwest, Southwest, US Air

Terminal B: Alaska, American, Continental, Frontier, Horizon, Jet Blue, United

On Thursday afternoon, March 11, Convention attendees will be transported from Sacramento Airport to Murphys by Delta Charter Bus. There will be two Coach departures from the Airport. The earlier Coach will pick up attendees at Terminal A at 12:30pm and will pick up attendees at Terminal B at 12:40pm. The later Coach will pick up attendees at Terminal A at 2:20pm and will pick up attendees at Terminal B at 2:30pm.

Important note: If your Thursday flight arrival is scheduled to be at 11:40am or earlier, you are to board the earlier Coach (12:30pm at Terminal A; 12:40pm at Terminal B). If your Thursday flight arrival is scheduled for 11:45am or later, you are to Board the later Coach (2:20pm at Terminal A; 2:30pm at Terminal B). If you are arriving Sacramento on Wednesday, you will receive a Coach assignment and are to return to the Airport and board the Coach at Terminal A.

Airport Arrival and Coach Check In. Upon arrival, attendees should proceed to the baggage carousel to get their luggage. Well in advance of their coach-departure time (45 minutes if possible), they should proceed to the attendees-gathering point for that Terminal. There they should meet and check in with the Convention attendee assigned as “Coach Captain.” The Coach Captain will have a list of the attendees arriving at that Terminal and assigned to her Coach. If your name is not on the Captain's list, ask the Captain to add you to the list and to inform the “Arrivals Monitor” at Murphys (Bert Elings, 209-736-2859) that you are on this Coach. (It's possible that you have arrived earlier or later than scheduled and the arrivals information needs to be adjusted.) Then follow the coach-loading directions given by the Coach Captain.

Coach Loading at Terminal A. The gathering point for attendees will be at the Exit Door near Carousel 3 (the door is marked “Ground Transportation”). When all the persons on the Coach list have checked in with the Coach Captain, the Coach captain will contact the coach driver by cell phone to signal readiness. If the assigned departure time arrives and some attendees are missing, the Captain will nonetheless telephone the coach driver and signal readiness. The Captain will then telephone the Arrivals Monitor at Murphys and inform him who is missing.

The Coach will be parked in a waiting area on the Airport, perhaps five minutes from the Terminals. When the Coach driver has received a call from each Terminal, s/he will inform your Coach Captain by cell phone and then proceed to Terminal A to load passengers and luggage.

The Coach will stop at the curb past the Exit Door, in front of a set of small trees. If it is not raining, you should proceed there upon learning that the Coach is leaving its parking/waiting area. If it is raining, then wait for the Coach to arrive and stop at the curb before exiting the building. After loading passengers and luggage, the driver will proceed to Terminal B.

Jaydee Ager is the Terminal A Coach Captain for the earlier, 12:30pm Coach. Mary Lou Gripshover is the Terminal A Coach Captain for the later, 2:20pm Coach.

Coach Loading at Terminal B. The gathering point for attendees will be at the Exit Door in front of the Lower Level food court (look for “Starbucks” or “Chili's Too” signs). When all the persons on the Coach list have checked in with the Coach Captain, the Coach captain will contact the coach driver by cell phone and signal readiness. If the assigned departure time arrives and some attendees are missing, the Captain will nonetheless telephone the coach driver and signal readiness. The Captain will then telephone the Arrivals Monitor at Murphys and inform him who is missing.

The Coach will be parked in a waiting area on the Airport, perhaps five minutes from the Terminals. When the Coach driver has received a call from each Terminal, s/he will inform your Coach Captain by cell phone and then proceed to Terminal A to load passengers and luggage. After pickup of attendees at Terminal A, the driver will phone the Coach Captain at Terminal B and will proceed to Terminal B.

The Coach will stop on the outside of the center median at a sign indicating “Special Events pickup.” To reach this, exit the terminal, walk to the pedestrian crossing (slightly to your right) and cross to the median. Then walk right until you find the Special Events sign. You should proceed there upon hearing that the Coach is leaving Terminal A. If it is raining, then wait for the Coach to arrive and stop at the curb. After loading passengers and luggage, the driver will depart for Murphys.

Nancy Kolson is the Terminal B Coach Captain for the earlier, 12:40pm Coach. Nancy Mott is the Terminal B Coach Captain for the later, 2:30pm Coach.

Important note: During loading, luggage on the Coach is to be grouped by accommodation in Murphys, so be sure to inform the coach driver of your motel or cottage so your luggage will be unloaded there. (Attendees staying in cottages will unload at the Murphys Suites and will be taken to their cottages by private vehicle.)

Important note: If you encounter a flight delay, change, or miss a flight en route to Sacramento, please telephone and inform the Bert Elings, the Arrivals Monitor at Murphys (209-736-2859; back-up number at Ironstone is 209-728-1251). Give him your name, any flight change, and updated arrival time at Sacramento. If you arrive at Sacramento Airport too late to catch the later Coach, call the Arrivals Monitor immediately upon your arrival. We will have a “Kautz Family Farm” suburban pick you up at the Airport Terminal. We will not leave anyone at the Airport!

Advance Preparation for Coach Transport. In order to make the coach transportation process work, we need accurate information on attendees:

- indication whether Coach will be used
- airline, flight number, and scheduled arrival time
- cell phone number
- accommodations in Murphys

Note. Two Coaches will depart on Monday morning for the return trip to Sacramento Airport. Please group luggage by Terminal. Departure time will be at 7:30 am, or earlier if possible.