



NJDOT TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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

(Trenton) – The right lane on I-78 westbound Express is scheduled to be closed Friday night as repairs to the Bergen Street Bridge over I-78 advance in Newark, Essex County. In addition, the ramp from Runyon Street to I-78 westbound Express and Local lanes is scheduled to be closed at the same time.

Beginning at 10 p.m. tonight, Friday, January 10, until 6 a.m. Saturday, January 11, the right lane on I-78 westbound Express is scheduled to be closed beginning near Exit 56/Elizabeth Avenue/Newark Downtown. One Express lane will be maintained. In addition, the ramp from Runyon Street to I-78 westbound Express and Local lanes is scheduled to be closed at the same time. The closures are necessary to continue repairs to the Bergen Street Bridge over I-78, which was struck by a truck in September 2024. 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

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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