



Volpe

Visitor's

Guide

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Purpose and Values

Our Purpose

Advancing transportation innovation for the public good

Our Values

Public Service: We serve the public honestly and objectively

Innovative Solutions: We continually anticipate and respond to global transportation challenges and emerging issues

Professional Excellence: We deliver outstanding products and services that exceed customer expectations

Collaboration and Partnering: We foster internal and external collaboration and partnerships through teamwork and mutual respect

Volpe, The National Transportation Systems Center, is located at **55 Broadway in Cambridge, Massachusetts**, across the street from the Kendall Square Marriott hotel, near the MIT/Kendall Square stop on the MBTA Red Line. Parking is available.

617.494.2224

askvolpe@dot.gov

Security Process

Upon entering Volpe, please place your belongings on the conveyor belt and step through the metal detector. Present your valid photo identification to the security guard.

As a federal facility, Volpe is subject to the [REAL ID Act of 2005](#). Volpe CANNOT accept driver's licenses from non-compliant states and jurisdictions for entry into the facility. Please [review the list](#) prior to arrival. All identification presented must be valid (i.e., unexpired) to gain entrance.

[Enhanced drivers licenses](#) are accepted from some states; these licenses have "[enhanced driver license](#)" prominently displayed at the top.

Visitors from any of the [non-compliant states or jurisdictions](#) will need an [alternate form of identification](#) (e.g., U.S. Passport or PIV card) to be permitted entry into Volpe. Foreign guests must use their passports.

Once you have been cleared by the security guard at the entrance, proceed to the security desk and give the guard your valid photo identification (e.g., complaint license or passport) as well as the name of your escort. Volpe guests must remain with their escorts for the duration of their visit. You will receive a visitor's badge, which you must keep on you at all times. This should be returned to the security desk at the end of your visit.

Directions to Volpe

By Taxi:

Approximate cost of taxi from Logan Airport to Kendall Square, Cambridge: \$45.00.
Approximate cost of taxi from Kendall Square to Logan: \$35.00-\$40.00. Costs depend on traffic conditions and the time of arrival.

By Public Transportation:

From Logan Airport via MBTA

1. From Terminal A or E, take the Silver Line Waterfront SL1 service to South Station. Please visit the [MBTA website](#) for a detailed map and schedule information.
2. At South Station, change to the Red Line MBTA train northbound (to Alewife).
3. Take the Red Line to the Kendall Square stop.
4. Go straight through the lobby of the Marriott hotel.
5. Volpe is located on Broadway directly across from the Marriott Hotel.

From South Station via MBTA

1. Take the MBTA Red Line northbound (to Alewife).
2. Travel to Kendall Square.
3. Volpe is located across Broadway from the Marriott Hotel.

From North Station via MBTA

1. Take the MBTA Green Line inbound to Park Street.
2. Change to the Red Line northbound (to Alewife).
3. Travel to Kendall Square.
4. Volpe is located on Broadway across from the Marriott Hotel. Walk through the lobby for direct access.

For an **MBTA schedule**, please visit <http://www.mbta.com/>.

Maps

Map of the MBTA (Volpe is located on the Red Line at Kendall/MIT):

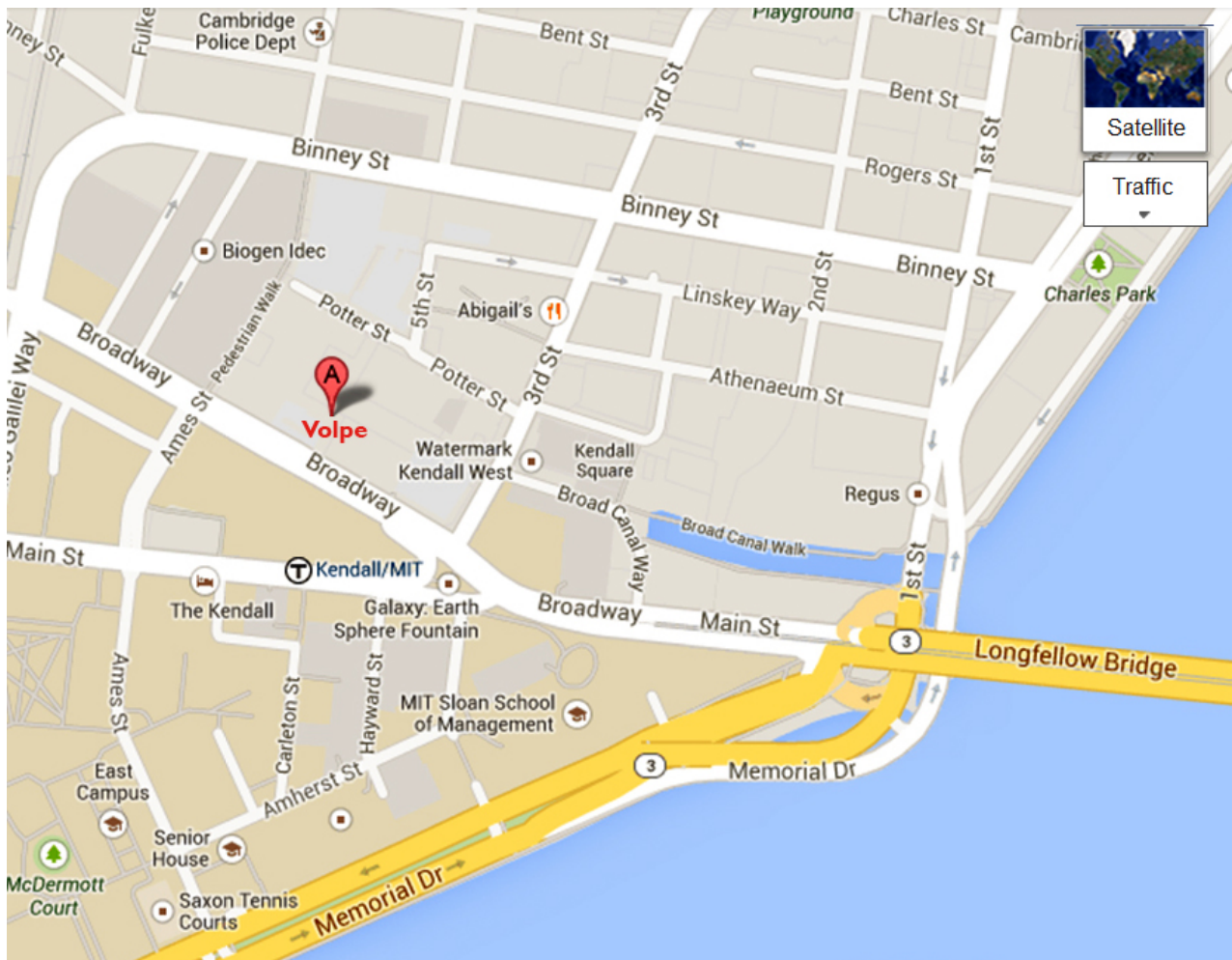


Aerial Map of

Volpe, The National Transportation Systems Center

55 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02142

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Hotels

Boston Marriott Cambridge

Two Cambridge Center, 50 Broadway, Cambridge, MA
617.494.6600

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/boscb-boston-marriott-cambridge/>

Fairfield Inn & Suites Cambridge

215 Monsignor O'Brien Highway, Cambridge, MA
617.621.1999

<http://www.fairfieldbostoncambridge.com/>

Hotel Marlowe

25 Edwin Land Boulevard, Cambridge, MA
617.868.8000

<http://www.hotelmарlowe.com/>

Hyatt Regency

575 Memorial Drive, Cambridge, MA
617.492.1234

<http://cambridge.hyatt.com/hyatt/hotels-cambridge/index.jsp?null>

The Kendall Hotel

350 Main Street, Cambridge, MA
617.577.1300

<http://www.kendallhotel.com/>

Le Méridien Cambridge-MIT

20 Sidney Street, Cambridge, MA
617. 577.0200

<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/lemeridien/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=3253>

Residence Inn Boston Cambridge

6 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA
617.349.0700

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/boscm-residence-inn-boston-cambridge/>

Royal Sonesta Hotel

40 Edwin Land Boulevard, Cambridge, MA
617.806.4200

<http://www.sonesta.com/Boston/>

Restaurants

Abigail's

291 Third Street, Cambridge, MA
617.945.9086

<http://www.abigailskendall.com/>

Style: American (serves brunch)
Dinner entrees from \$19

Atasca

50 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA
617.621.6991

<http://atasca.com/>

Style: Portuguese
Entrees from \$16

Bean Towne Coffee House

1 Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA
617.621.7900

<http://www.beantownecoffee.com/>

Style: Coffee & Sandwiches
Sandwiches from \$5.50-\$7.50

The Blue Room

1 Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA
617.494.9034

<http://www.theblueroom.net/>

Style: Local and sustainable fine cuisine
Entrees from \$19

Cambridge Brewing Company

1 Kendall Square, Bldg. 100, Cambridge, MA
617.494.1994

<http://cambridgebrewing.com/>

Style: American, with a lengthy beer menu
Entrees from \$12.50

Champion's Sports Bar

On the Plaza at Kendall Square, 50 Broadway, Cambridge MA (inside the Marriott Hotel)

617.252.4444

<http://www.championscambridge.com/>

Style: American

Dinner options from \$12 (also serves breakfast and lunch)

Chipotle

2 Cambridge Center, Cambridge MA

857.500.4031

<http://www.chipotle.com/en-US/Default.aspx>

Style: Mexican (casual, eat in or take-out)

Menu items under \$10

Commonwealth

11 Broad Canal Way, Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA

517.945.7030

<http://commonwealthcambridge.com/lunch/>

Style: American

Entrees from \$12.50

EVOO

350 Third Street, Cambridge, MA

617.661.3866

<http://www.evoorestaurant.com/>

Style: Eclectic New American cuisine

Entrees from \$12

The Friendly Toast

1 Hampshire Street, Cambridge, MA

617.621.1200

<http://www.thefriendlytoast.net/>

Style: American (known for its creative French toast selection)

Extensive breakfast menu under \$15

Burgers and sandwiches \$11-\$13

Fuji

300 Third Street, Cambridge, MA

617.252.0088

<http://fujiatkendall.com/index.html>

Style: Sushi/Japanese

Entrees from \$20

Kika Tapas

5 Broad Canal Way

at 350 Third Street, Watermark Building

Cambridge, MA 02142

617.245.6030

<http://www.kikatapas.com/kika-contact.html>

Style: Tapas

Entrees from \$10

Legal Sea Foods

5 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, MA

617.864.3400

<http://www.legalseafoods.com/restaurants/cambridge-kendall-square>

Style: Seafood

Entrees from \$19

Tatte Bakery and Cafe

318 Third Street, Cambridge, MA

617.354.4200

<http://tattebakery.com/>

Style: Bakery

Cookies, cakes, and seasonal specials

Za

350 Third Street, Cambridge, MA

617.452.9292

<http://www.zarestaurant.com/>

Style: Pizzeria

Specialty pizzas from \$11

For an extensive list, visit <http://www.urbanspoon.com/n/4/322/Boston/Kendall-Square-restaurants>.

Museums

Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum

- Congress Street Bridge, Boston, MA
- 1.855.TEA.1773
- <http://www.bostontepartyship.com/>
- Monday-Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Adults: \$25
- Children (4-12): \$15

Harvard Museum of Natural History

- 26 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA (just past Harvard Yard)
- 617.495.3045
- <http://www.hmn.harvard.edu/>
- Open Daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Adults: \$12
- Non-Harvard Students with I.D.: \$10
- Seniors (65+): \$10
- Children ages 3–18: \$8

John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum

- Columbia Point, Boston, MA (JFK/UMASS T stop on Red Line trains)
- 617. 514.1600
- <http://www.jfklibrary.org/>
- Open Daily 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Adults: \$14
- Seniors (62 and over): \$12
- College students (with valid I.D.): \$12
- Ages 13-17: \$10
- Children 12 and under are free

Museum of Fine Arts

- 465 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA (MFA T stop on Green Line “E” trains)
- 617.267.9300
- <http://www.mfa.org/>
- Monday–Tuesday: 10:00 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
- Wednesday–Friday: 10:00 a.m.–9:45 p.m.
- Saturday–Sunday: 10:00 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
- Adults: \$25
- Seniors (65+) and Students (18+): \$23
- Youths 6 and under: FREE , 7–17*: FREE*
- *Weekdays after 3:00 p.m., weekends, and Boston public school holidays; otherwise \$10

MIT Museum

- 265 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA
- 617.253.5927
- <http://web.mit.edu/museum/>
- Open Daily 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Adults: \$10
- Youth under 18, students, and seniors: \$5

Museum of Science

- 1 Science Park, Boston, MA
- 617.723.2500
- <http://www.mos.org/>
- Saturday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
- Adult (12+): \$23
- Child (3-11): \$20
- Senior (60+): \$21

Paul Revere House

- 19 North Square, Boston, MA
- 617. 523.2338
- <http://www.paulreverehouse.org/index.html>
- Open Daily: April 15–October 31, 9:30 a.m.–5:15 p.m.; November 1–April 14, 9:30 a.m.–4:15 p.m.
- Adults: \$3
- College students/seniors: \$3
- Children (ages 5-17): \$1

USS Constitution Museum

- Charlestown Navy Yard, Building 22, Charlestown, MA
- 617. 426.1812
- <http://www.usconstitutionmuseum.org/>
- Open Daily 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Admission (suggested donation): Adults: \$5, Seniors: \$3, Children: \$2

MGH Russell Museum

- 2 North Grove Street, Boston, MA
- 617.724.8809
- <http://www.massgeneral.org/museum/>
- Entrance: free

Attractions and Tours

Boston Duck Tours

- Points of Departure:
 - The Museum of Science (1 Science Park, Boston, MA)
 - The Prudential Center in Boston's Back Bay (53 Huntington Ave, Boston, MA, on Huntington Avenue in front of Shaw's Supermarket, across from the Marriott Copley)
 - The New England Aquarium (1 Central Wharf, Boston, MA) (Aquarium departures are seasonal and abbreviated)
- 617.267.3825
- <http://www.bostonducktours.com/>
- Operates from March to November (daily tours start at 3:00)
- Adults:
 - From Prudential Center/Museum of Science/New England Aquarium: \$37.50
- Student (12+)/Senior (62+)/Military:
 - From Prudential Center/Museum of Science/New England Aquarium: \$31
- Children (3-11)
 - From Prudential Center/Museum of Science/New England Aquarium: \$26
- Small Children (under 3)
 - From Prudential Center/Museum of Science/New England Aquarium: \$10.50

Old Town Trolley Tours

- Tours highlight Boston, Kendall Square, and Harvard Square
- 855.396.7433
- <http://www.trolleytours.com/boston/>
- Package tour rate, online price:
 - Adults: \$36.86
 - Seniors, students, military: \$34.97
 - Children (4-12): \$17.96
 - Children under 4: free

Freedom Trail

- Visitor Information Center, 139 Tremont Street, Boston, MA
- 617.357.8300
- <http://thefreedomtrail.org>
- Tours available any date, any time
- Adults: \$12
- Senior/Student Discount: \$10
- Children : \$6.50

Fenway Park: Home of the Boston Red Sox

- 4 Yawkey Way, Boston, MA (Kenmore T stop on all Green Line trains except “E” trains)
- 617.226.6666
- <http://boston.redsox.mlb.com/bos/ballpark/tour.jsp>
- Tours Daily 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (beginning April 9)
- Adults: \$18
- Children : \$12.00
- Military: \$15.00

Longfellow House Washington’s Headquarters

- 105 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA
- 617.876.4491
- <http://www.nps.gov/long/index.htm>
- Entrance: free

Recreation

B0dyScapes Fitness

- 356 Third Street, Cambridge, MA
- 617.252.0020
- <http://www.bodyscapesfitness.com/contact-us/>

Charles River Canoe & Kayak

- 500 Broad Canal Street, Cambridge, MA
- 617.965.5110
- <http://www.paddleboston.com/kendall.php>

Concert Series at Kendall Square

- Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. (June through September)
- 300 Athenaeum Street
- <http://kendallsquare.org/play/details/concert-series>

Kendall Square Cinema

- 355 Binney Street, Cambridge, MA
- 617.499.1995
- [Kendall Square Cinema, Boston](#) | [Showtimes](#) | [Landmark Theatres](#)

Kendall Square Farmer's Market

- Thursday: 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. (June through October)
- 500 Kendall Street, Cambridge, MA
- <http://kendallsquare.org/shop/details/farmers-market>

Kendall Square Skating Rink

- 300 Athenaeum St, Cambridge, MA
- 617.492.0941
- <http://www.kendallsquare.org/play/details/community-ice-skating/>

Thomas P. O'Neill Golf Course at Fresh Pond

- 691 Huron Ave, Cambridge, MA
- 617.349.6282
- <http://www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP/Recreation/golfcourse.aspx>