

T-money Card Guide for Seoul Travelers

Your complete guide to getting around Seoul with ease using the T-money card.

[What is a T-money Card?]

- A prepaid transportation card
- Use for subways, buses, taxis, convenience stores
- Works in most Korean cities

[Where to Buy It]

- Incheon International Airport (CU, GS25, vending machines)
- Subway stations
- Convenience stores nationwide
- Price: 2,500 to 4,000 KRW (card only, no balance)

[How to Recharge]

- Subway recharge machines
- At convenience stores (ask the cashier)
- Minimum recharge: 1,000 KRW

[How to Use]

- Subway: Tap the card when entering and exiting the gate
- Bus: Tap when boarding and again when getting off
- This is required for free transfers between subway and bus within 30 minutes
- Important: Many buses in Seoul do not accept cash anymore, so a T-money card is essential for tourists

[Refunds & Validity]

- Refund at airport or selected stores (fee may apply)
- Valid indefinitely

[T-money vs. Korea Tour Card vs. Cashbee]

T-money:

- Transportation
- Shop usage
- App Integration
- No tourist discounts

Korea Tour Card:

- Transportation
- Shop usage
- No app integration
- Tourist discounts

Cashbee:

- Transportation
- Shop usage
- App integration
- No tourist discounts

[Travel Tips]

- Keep your card in a phone wallet
- Recharge before balance drops too low
- Use with Naver Maps or Kakao Metro for optimal travel

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