

Toll Roads in Houston

Houston has a number of toll roads. The one most frequently used is the Sam Houston Tollway (this is the easiest way to get from Bush Intercontinental Airport to I-10). There are two ways to pay:

Cash: payable either in exact change, which you throw into a receptacle (coins only) or at a Full Service booth, where change can be given.

EZ Tag: An electronic tag, which must be arranged in advance by contacting the relevant office. Details of the nearest office can be found on the website at www.eztagstore.com. This site also allow you to open a new account, update vehicle information, etc. 24 hours a day, seven days a week at your own convenience.

HOV Lanes

Highways that lead into downtown Houston have High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes where at designated times and rush hours cars traveling with 2 (off peak) or 3 (peak) may drive in the fast lane. Entrance ramps are placed in designated areas so watch for signs if you are trying to use the HOV lane. The police monitor these exits so they are not abused. The lane direction is reversed for vehicles leaving the city in the afternoon.