



IHTSDO October Conference in Toronto

15 – 19 October, 2010



Welcome to the IHTSDO October 2010 Conference in Toronto
Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel, 123 Queen Street West,
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Invitation

We invite you to join us in Toronto, Canada for the October 2010 meetings of the International Health Terminology Standards Development Organisation (IHTSDO).

IHTSDO's General Assembly will meet on October 15th, followed by the Standing Committees on October 16th and the Project and Special Interest Groups on October 17th and October 18th. The Members Forum will meet on October 19th. We also have joint meetings with the World Health Organization on the 19th. We hope to see you there!

A detailed programme for the conference can be found at <http://www.ihtsdo.org/about-ihtsdo/ihtsdo-conferences/> (please copy and paste this link when using it)

To register, please go to
<http://www.regonline.com/register/checkin.aspx?EventId=882998&rTypeID=393085>

For more information about visiting Toronto please visit
<http://www.toronto.ca/> or <http://www.seetorontonow.com/>



Welcome to Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel

The largest city in Canada, Toronto is a cosmopolitan area with a large international population. The center of Canadian finance, it also has a lively cultural scene with art galleries, superb restaurants and world-class shopping. The Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel is an

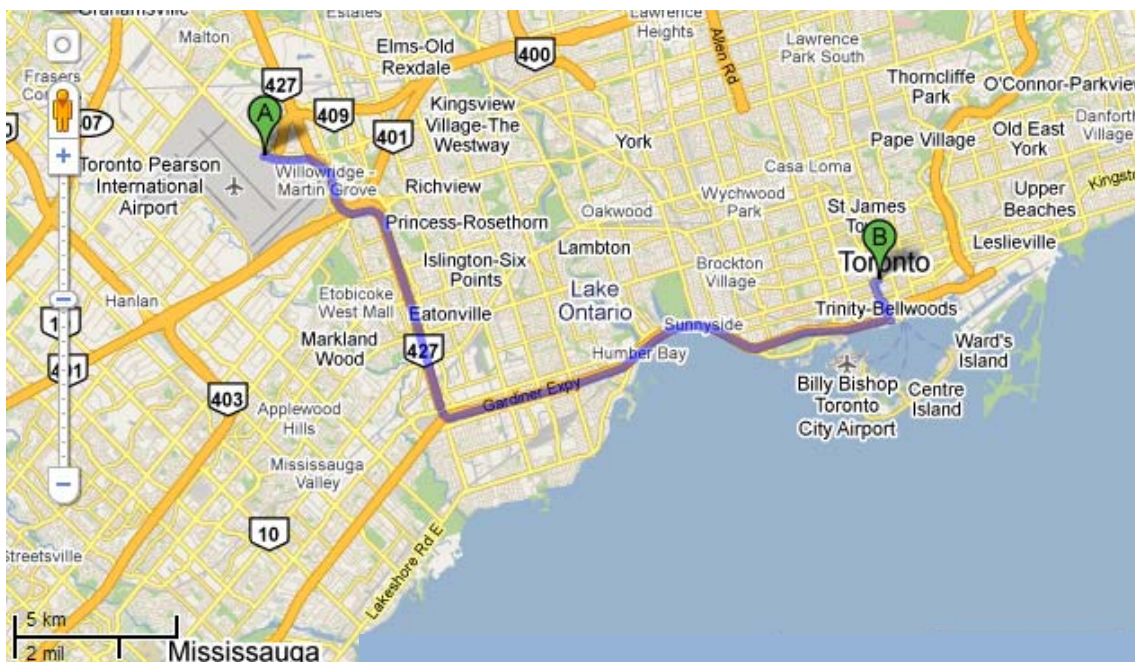


international four star hotel located across from the city hall, and is in the heart of the financial and entertainment district. For more information about the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel please visit

<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/property/overview/index.html?propertyID=271>

Directions to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel

Delegates may wish to travel to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel by private, public transport and/or taxi.



Hotel Parking Facilities

The Sheraton Toronto Centre Hotel provides covered valet parking, available with in/out privileges for a rate of \$45CAD per day.

Travel Options to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel

From Pearson International Airport (YYZ) to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel:

Travel Distance: Approximately 19.3 km / 12 miles

Options for getting to and from the hotel include:

Taxi

Costs approximately 60 CAD

Airport Express (Bus)

Costs approximately 20 CAD



The Airport Express to and from Pearson International Airport runs every ½ hour from 04:15 until 16:10 and every 20 minutes after 16:10. To request a fare quote or to make a reservation, please visit

<http://torontoairportexpress.hudsonltd.net/res?USERIDENTRY=SCT&LOGON=GO> or contact +1 (905) 564 3232

From Toronto Island Airport (YTZ) to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel

Travel Distance: Approximately 3.2 km / 2 miles

Options for getting to and from the hotel include:

Taxi

Costs approximately 20 CAD

From Union Railway Station (AEV) to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel:

Travel Distance: Approximately 0.3 km / 0.2 miles

Options for getting to and from the hotel include:

On foot

Approximately 10 minutes

Taxi

Costs approximately 6 CAD

From Toronto Coach Terminal (bus) to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel:

Travel Distance: Approximately 0.2 km / 0.1 miles

Options for getting to and from the hotel include:

By foot

Approximately 5 minutes

Taxi

Costs approximately 6 CAD

Transportation in Toronto

Using the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)

The Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) is a quick way to get around the city, as it provides easy-to-navigate subways, buses and streetcars. When using the TTC, a single fare will take you anywhere in the city on a one way trip. You can freely transfer between the subway, streetcar and bus, but make sure you obtain a transfer ticket when and where you pay your fare. On buses and streetcars, exact change is required.

It costs 3 CAD per trip, but “All day” passes are available for approximately 10 CAD. You can also buy a package of tickets or tokens at a discount.

For more information on fares, please visit

http://www3.ttc.ca/Fares_and_passes/Prices/index.jsp



The operating hours for the subway are:
Mondays to Fridays 05:30 to 02:00
Sundays: 09:00 to 02:00

If you visit http://www3.ttc.ca/Trip_planner/index.jsp you will be able to plan your trip with TTC by entering your start point and end destination. Some bus routes operate 24 hours a day.

Buying Tickets, Tokens and Passes

There are a number of ways you can purchase TTC Tickets, Tokens and Passes.

Collector Booths

Located at every subway station, there are collector booths where you can pay your fare, and purchase tickets, tokens and passes. Tickets, Tokens and Weekly Passes can be purchased by cash only.

Token Vending Machines

Token Vending Machines are available in most stations and they dispense tokens in quantities of one, four, or eight. Token Vending Machines accept cash only.

Hailing a taxi

There are a number of different taxi companies in Toronto – each has a distinct look.

- Fares are standard, metered and non-negotiable
- The driver should start the meter at the beginning of your ride and stop it when you reach your destination
- Refuse to ride in a taxi without an operational meter
- If the service was acceptable, a 10-15% tip is customary

*If you are planning to use public transport from the Toronto Pearson International Airport to the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel, the quickest connection is as follows: *

192 Airport Rocket Bus

The 192 Airport Rocket route provides all-day accessible express bus service between Kipling Station (on the Bloor-Danforth Subway) and Pearson International Airport.

- The 192 Airport Rocket stops only at Kipling Station, Dundas Street & East Mall Crescent, Terminal 3 (Arrivals Level), then Jetliner Road and Airport Road, then Terminal 1 (Ground Level).
- Service operates from approximately 5:30 am to 2:00 am, seven days a week.
- One-way travel time is approximately 20 to 25 minutes.

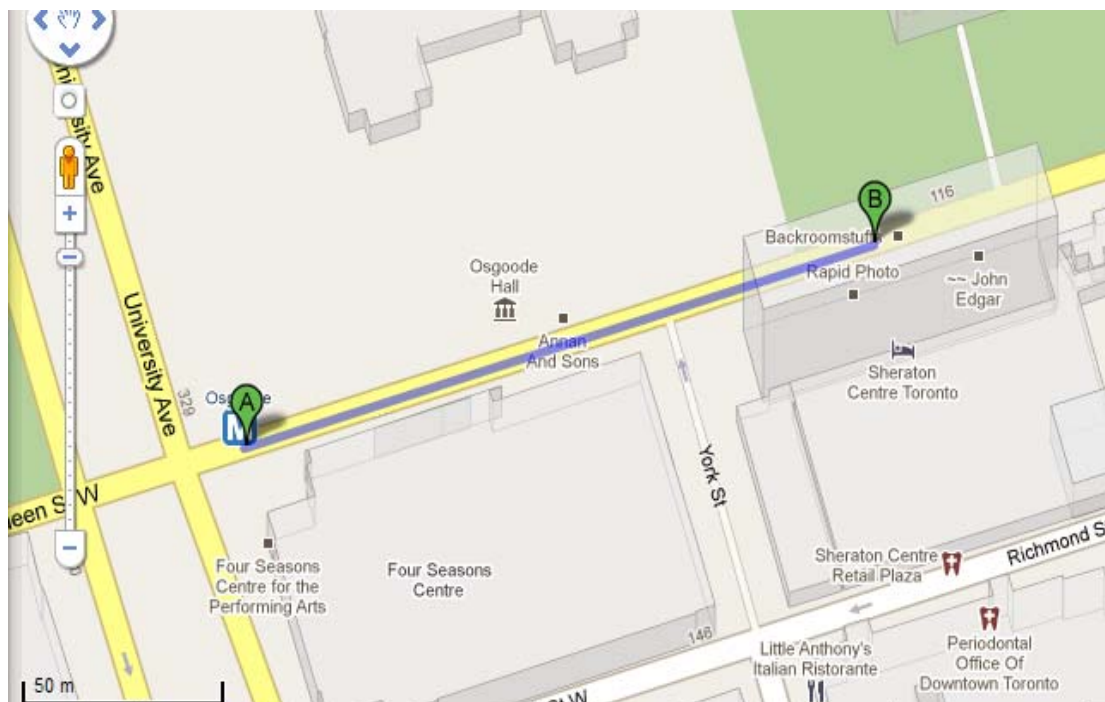


Schedules for the Airport Rocket Bus

- 192 schedule leaving Pearson Airport
http://www3.ttc.ca/Schedule/schedule.jsp?Route=192S&Stop=PEARSON_AIRPORT_TERMINAL_1
- 192 schedule leaving Kipling Station
http://www3.ttc.ca/Schedule/schedule.jsp?Route=192N&Stop=KIPLING_STATION

Allow approximately 55 minutes for your journey:

Your travel plan	Cycle period
Take 192 Airport Rocket Bus from Pearson Airport towards Kipling Station . Arrival Kipling Station . (13 mins)	approx. every 10 min.
Walk from Kipling Station (Bus) to Kipling Station (TTC) Allow about 5 min. to get there.	
Transfer to Bloor-Danforth Subway . Take the subway from Kipling St – eastbound platform to St. George Station . Arrival St George Station . (21 mins)	approx. 3-5 min.
Transfer to Yonge-University-Spadina Subway . Take subway from St George Station – southbound platform to Osgoode Station . approx. (5 mins)	
Walk from Osgoode Station to Sheraton Centre Hotel approx. 150 m to get there. (see map below)	

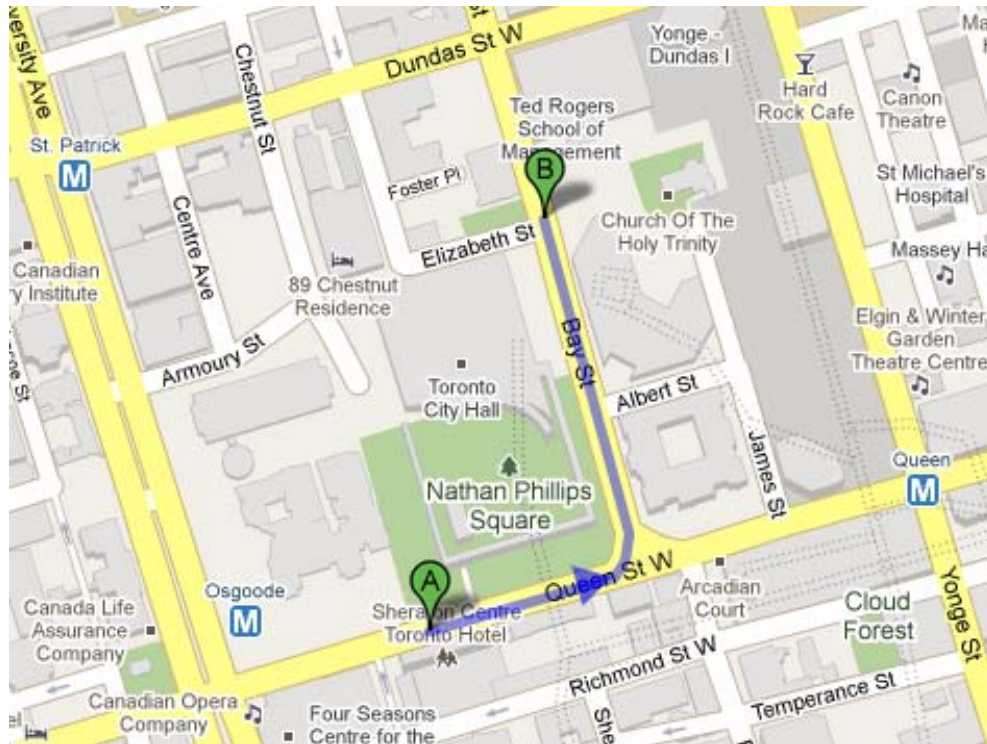




Joint Meetings with WHO

IHTSDO and the World Health Organization (WHO) recently signed a collaboration arrangement to harmonize WHO classifications and SNOMED CT for the benefit of citizens around the world. We are pleased to be holding joint meetings with WHO in Toronto in October. All delegates are invited to participate in a WHO plenary session at the Marriott Hotel on the morning of October 19th to find out more about the collaboration arrangement and plans for cooperative activities. The Mapping Special Interest Group will also be joining with one of WHO's Committees for meetings on the afternoon of October 19th. You can register to attend these meetings through IHTSDO's meeting registration system. There is no charge to attend.

The joint meetings with WHO will be held at the Toronto Marriott Downtown Eaton Centre Hotel, 525 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 2L2. Tel: +1 416 597 9200 Fax: +1 416 597 9211. Directions are included below.



Travel Options to the Toronto Marriott Downtown Eaton Centre Hotel

From the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel:

Travel Distance: Approximately 0.45 km / 0.3 miles

Taxi

Costs approximately 10 CAD

On foot

Approximately 15 minutes



Directions:

1. From the **Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel** head east on **Queen Street** towards Bay Street. (160 m)
2. Turn left onto **Bay Street** and continue for 300 m. You will find the Toronto Marriott Downtown Eaton Centre Hotel located on the right.

IHTSDO Conference Dinner, Saturday 16th October 2010

The IHTSDO Conference dinner has been scheduled for Saturday 16th October 2010. More details on the time, venue and menu will follow shortly.