

Buenos Aires Subway: the international public tender for the purchase of 96 new vehicles for Line B was extended

These are 16 new compositions of 6 cars each, 0 kilometers and with air conditioning, which will replace the 60-year-old Mitsubishi cars. The line will become 100% with air conditioning.

Buenos Aires, March 5, 2024.- Buenos Aires Subways S.E. (SBASE) extended the international public tender for the purchase of 96 0-kilometer vehicles with air conditioning for Line B. The new compositions will make it possible to replace the Mitsubishi fleet, which is, on average, 60 years old, and offer better service to the 214 thousand passengers who daily use the line, on average.

In this way, the most used line on the network, which connects Leandro N. Alem with Juan Manuel de Rosas, will have 100% of its cars with air conditioning (46% today).

The new bid opening date for the tender is June 24, 2024. The first train must be delivered 20 months after the signing of the contract with the winning bidder. The specifications and conditions can be accessed through the official website: https://buenosaires.gob.ar/licitaciones-publicas/2023

The new units, in addition to air conditioning, must be made of stainless steel or aluminum, have security cameras, a built-in user information system (visual and auditory), vandal-proof LED lighting, longitudinal seats and be prepared to operate with Automatic Train Protection (ATP) system, with the possibility of upgrading to CBTC with degree 2 of automation (GOA 2) -such as the one installed on Line H and which is being implemented on Line D-.

Likewise, they must have a railway gauge (3.10 meters) and a minimum of 17 meters long. The cars must have four doors per side and the driving cabins must have one door per side and one connecting with the passengers' car.

Line B in figures

- Average working day passengers: 214,896 (2023).
- 17 stations and 11.8 km long.
- Connects with 4 lines: C, D, E and H.
- It currently has 2 fleets: Mitsubishi and CAF 6000.
- It has 2 own workshops: Rancagua and Villa Urquiza.
- Railway gauge: 3.10 meters.
- Six electrical substations.