



HOTEL, AIRLINE, VENUE UPDATES (February 3, 2010)

SHERATON SEATTLE HOTEL

The Sheraton Hotel is located at 1400 6th Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98101. Their contact information is (206) 621-9000 and Fax: (206) 621-8441

Hotel Rooms

A block of twenty six (26) hotel rooms have been reserved by WAPMS at the Seattle Sheraton Hotel on a first come first served basis. Room rates are as follows:

	Single	Double
Traditional:	\$149.00	\$149.00
Suites:	\$350.00 and up	
Additional Person:	\$25.00 each	
Deluxe:	\$169.00	\$169.00
Suites:	\$350.00 and up	
Additional Person:	\$25.00 each	
Club Level:	\$189.00	\$189.00
Suites:	\$350.00 and up	
Additional Person:	\$25.00 each	

All room rates are quoted exclusive of applicable state and local taxes, currently 15.6% (subject to change). These room rates will be offered 3 days prior and 3 days after the meeting dates (meeting date March 28-31, 2010), subject to the availability of rooms.

Reservation Procedures

Individual Call-In – 1-888-627-7056
Individual to call in with the following information:
Guest's first and last name, arrival date and time,
Departure date, and bed type preference
(King or To Double Beds)
All rooms are non-smoking

Alternatively, reservations can be made on line
Stargroups-online booking tool (click on either link below)

[Western Aquatic Plant Mgmt Soc](http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/res?id=0907313823&key=BB088)

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Reservations Cut-Off Date

The “cut-off” date for accepting reservations into this reserved room block is February 25, 2010. Reservation requests received after 5:00 PM local time at the hotel on the cut-off date will be accepted on a room type and rate availability basis.

Early Departure Fee Policy

In the event that a guest who has reserved a room within the WAPMS block checks out prior to the guest’s reserved checkout date, an early departure fee of \$75.00 will be charged to that individual’s account. Guest’s wishing to avoid this fee must advise the hotel at or before check-in of any change in the scheduled length of stay. The Sheraton Hotel will inform members of our group of this fee upon check-in.

Individual Guest Room Deposit and Cancellation Policies

A deposit equal to one night’s stay is required to hold each individual’s reservations. Such deposit shall serve to confirm the reservation for the date(s) indicated, and, upon check-in, shall be applied to the first and/or final night of the reserved stay. These deposits paid by individuals are refundable if notice is received at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to arrival and a cancellation number is obtained. All deposits shall be charged at the time the reservation is made.

Package, Shipping, and Handling

In order to provide timely retrieval and delivery of packages when you arrive, please label all items in your shipment with the name of the guest recipient, group name and the date of the program. Our Receiving/Package staff logs all shipments under alphabetical guest recipient name, regardless of whether the guest is staying in the Hotel or not. Please do NOT send the shipment to your Sales or Catering/Convention Services representative as it delays retrieval. A sample label is shown below. Once shipped, please contact your Hotel representative (Shelly Bright. Shelly.Bright@sheraton.com) to advise the number of packages you are shipping, the method of shipment and expected delivery date to the Hotel. All packages will be held in the hotel Receiving/Package storage until requested by the recipient. In order to retrieve your shipment or package on site, please contact the Bell Desk, Security, Hotel Executive Meeting Specialist (EMS) or a Banquet Captain through the Hotel Operator (Dial “0”). Packages can be retrieved 24 hours each day.

SAMPLE LABEL

NAME OF GUEST c/o SHERATON SEATTLE HOTEL 1400 SIXTH AVENUE SEATTLE, WA 98101 GROUP NAME ARRIVAL DATE PACKAGE # <u>1</u> OF <u>3</u>



HANDLING FEES

The Sheraton Seattle Hotel assesses handling fees as noted below. For your convenience, charges will be posted to your guest room. Charges will appear on your account as “Business Center”. Due to limited space, the Hotel cannot store packages for more than three (3) days prior to or three (3) days after a program. A \$25.00 per item, per day charge will be added to your account if storage exceeds this time-frame.

Inbound Packages
0 to 5 pounds \$ 7.00 each
6 to 20 pounds \$12.00 each
21 to 50 pounds \$17.00 each
Over 50 pounds \$50.00 each
Crates \$75.00 each
Pallets \$125.00 each
Outbound Packages* \$5.00 each

*For pickup of a shipment, guests may utilize their personal shipping account, or use the Hotel’s service at an additional cost.

FEDEX

There is a FedEx Office Print and Ship Center conveniently located a block from the Seattle Sheraton at 735 Pike St, Suite 11-13, Seattle, WA 98101. Telephone (206) 467-1767.

Exhibitors

There are 20 spaces available for exhibitors who register in advance of the WAPMS meeting. Available space is currently 8 foot wide by 10 foot deep for these 20 spaces. This spacing will be adjusted should fewer than 20 exhibitors register. Exhibitors are encouraged to register as soon as possible (Please go to the WAPMS Website (www.wapms.org) for conference registration details).

Parking

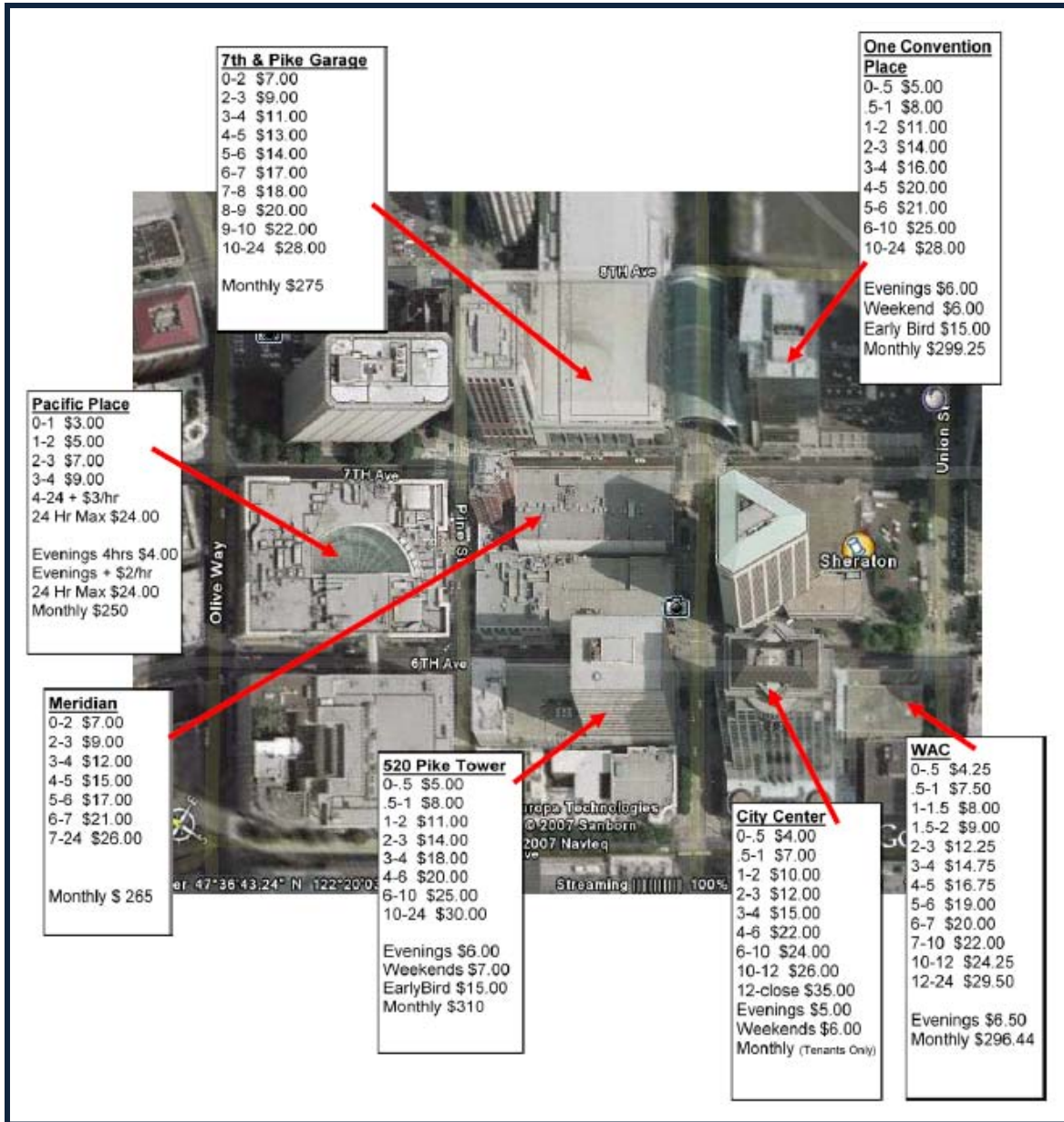
Sheraton Seattle offers parking at \$40.00 for 24 hour parking to guests (valet only with in/out privileges) then, based on availability, to non hotel guests. Alternative options for parking are provided on the map below. Not listed below are parking garages that reportedly provide “Early Bird Specials” for those arriving before 9:00 AM for parking until 6:00 PM for only \$12.00.

AIRLINES

Seattle-Tacoma (SeaTac) International is well served by a number of national and international carriers. A listing of these airlines is provided at the Port of Seattle website located at <http://www.portseattle.org/seatac/flights/index.shtml>



Alternative Parking: Parking rates are subject to change at the additional parking facilities depicted below in the immediate area around the Seattle Sheraton. Additional parking may also be available nearby.



See additional options for travel into downtown Seattle in the Traveler's and Conference Information section that follows.



TRAVELER'S AND CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Weather in Seattle:

The daytime temperatures in March and April are about 58° F, with night time temperatures of about 39 to 42° F. Average rainfall is about 2.5 to 4 inches per month.

Ground Transportation Options for the Airport

Shuttle: Gray Line of Seattle, 1-800-426-7532.

www.graylineseattle.com (See Downtown Airporter Tab)

For those persons needing roundtrip transportation from Seattle Tacoma Airport (SeaTac) International Airport to the Sheraton Seattle, the Sheraton recommends Gray Line's Downtown Airporter Service, available at a reasonable price, if you don't mind stopping at several hotels along the way. Departures occur at intervals of 45 minutes and it is approximately a 45 minute ride from the airport to the hotel. The Downtown Airporter operates between SeaTac Airport and the Crowne Plaza, Fairmont Olympic, Grand Hyatt Hotel, Hilton Hotel, Renaissance Seattle Hotel, Seattle Sheraton, Warwick Hotel and Westin Hotel. Ask the hotel front desk staff for details or call Gray Line of Seattle. According to Gray Line, the Downtown Airporter is the least expensive transportation between the downtown Seattle hotels. Downtown Airporter prices start at \$11.00 one way as compared with shuttle vans from \$27.00 one way, town cars from \$30.00 one way, and taxi cabs from \$35.00 one way. Departures from Downtown Seattle occur daily from 5:00am -9:30pm. Departures from SeaTac Airport occur daily 6:30am - 9:00pm. Refer to the operating schedule provided on Gray Line's website (see above) for specific departure/arrival information.

- Adults:
 - One Way \$11.00
 - Roundtrip \$18.00
- Children (2-12 years):
 - One Way \$8.25
 - Roundtrip \$13.00
 - Children less than 2 years travel for free.

Tickets can be purchased from select downtown Seattle hotel concierge or Downtown Airporter drivers. Tickets are also available at the Gray Line of Seattle desk located at the south end of the SeaTac main terminal. Follow the signs for Scheduled Airporter Services at Door 00 (zero-zero). Or purchase tickets from Gray Line's Website. Reservations are not accepted.

Car Rental Companies at Airport:

Nine rental car companies have information counters in the Baggage Claim area, and five have car pick-up and drop-off at the airport on the first floor of the garage across from the Main



Terminal. In addition, off-airport rental car companies provide courtesy van service to the airport.

On-site counter and cars

Alamo: 1-800-462-5266

Avis: 1-800-331-1212

Budget: 1-800-527-7000 (local reservations), 1-800-527-0700 (out-of-town reservations)

Hertz: 1-800-654-3131

National: 1-800-328-4567

On-site counter, off-site cars

Advantage: 1-800-777-5500, (206) 824-0161

Dollar Car Rental: (206) 433-5825

Enterprise: (206) 246-1953

Thrifty: (206) 246-7566

Off-site counter and cars

Century/Rent Rite: (206) 246-5039

Fox Rent A Car: 1-800-225-4369

U Save: (206) 242-9778

Airport Taxi

STITA Airport Tax is the official taxi service of Seattle -Tacoma International Airport. Serving King County, the Seattle metro area and the Puget Sound region. STITA utilizes the greenest fleet of cabs in Washington State, including Prius hybrids, CNG-fueled Crown Victorias and 10 passenger vans. STITA also has several ADA Vans in service to assist the mobile challenged with their transportation needs.

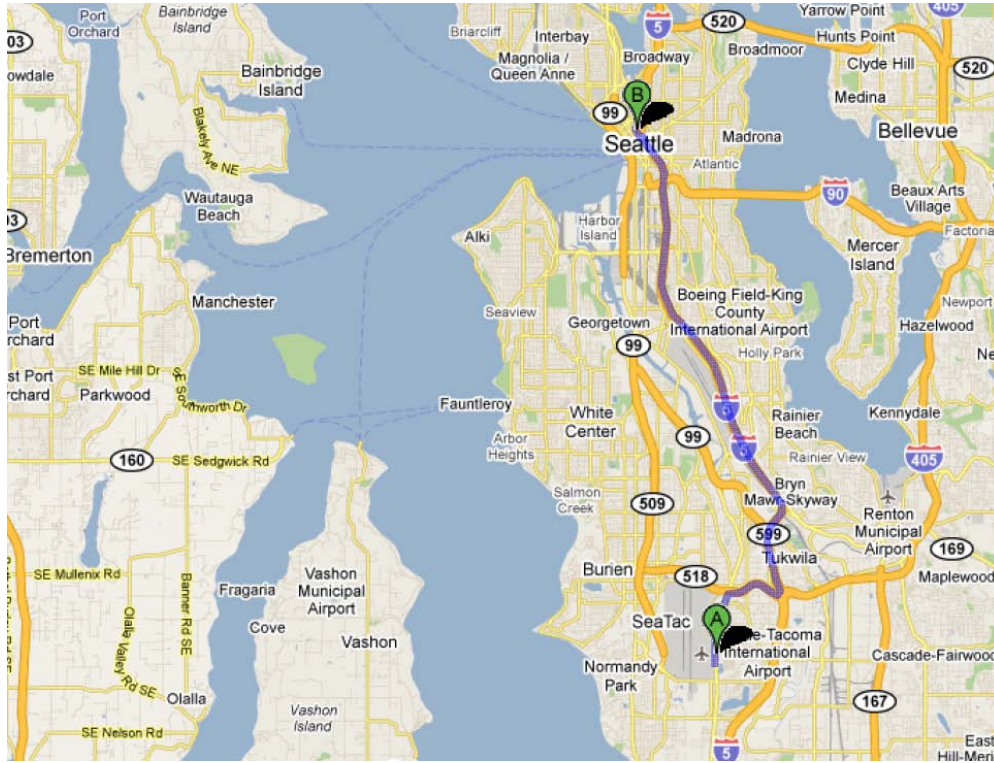
STITA Airport Taxi's 24 hour Dispatch number is (206) 246-9999

Other Transportation Options

Other local travel options in and around Seattle include Amtrak, City Light rail, and local buses.

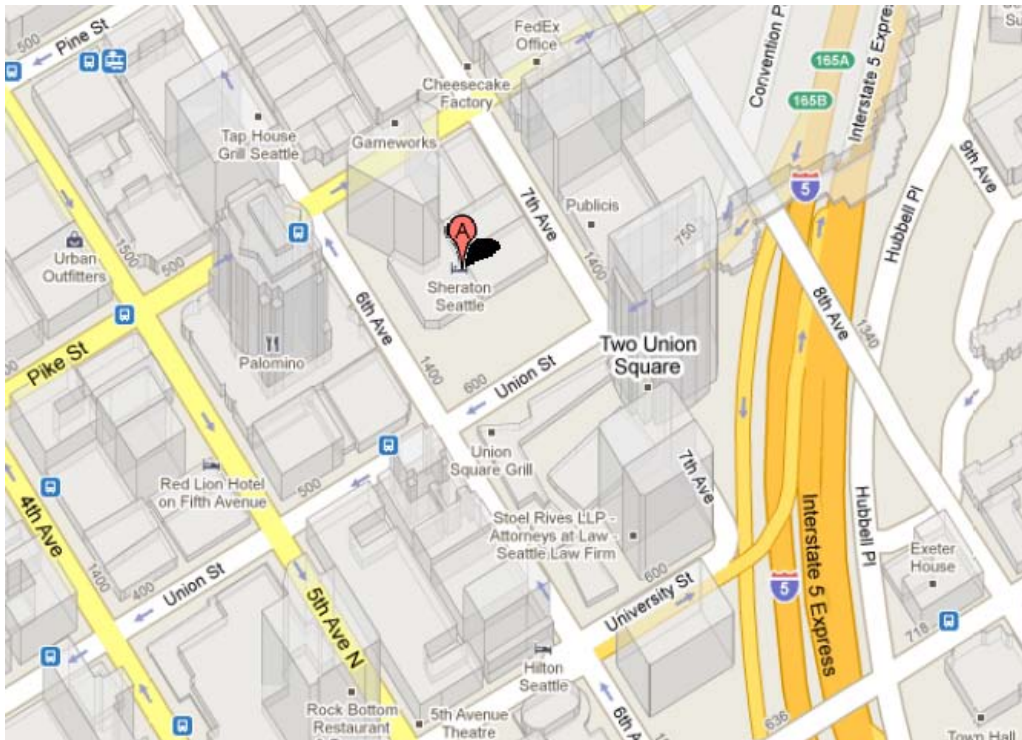


MAP OF AREA BETWEEN THE AIRPORT AND THE HOTEL:



MAP OF AREA NEAR THE SEATTLE SHERATON HOTEL:

1400 6th Avenue, Seattle, Washington, 98101. Telephone: (206) 621-9000





Things to Do and See

The Seattle Sheraton hotel enjoys a convenient downtown location. The historic Pike Place Market, the Seattle Art Museum, the Space Needle, Experience Music Project, and a host of other exciting attractions are right nearby. See a show at the Fifth Avenue Theater or the Paramount Theater. Experience the opera or ballet at McCaw Hall. Enjoy the Seattle Symphony at Benaroya Hall. All are just a short walk from the hotel. A short trip will take you to bustling Pioneer Square or the colorful International District.

Pike Place Market - This is the heart of Seattle and the number one tourist site in the area, attracting frenzied crowds of visitors and locals. The oldest continually operating farmer's market in the country, Pike Place features fresh fish, fruits and vegetables, and arts and crafts as far as the eye can see.

Pioneer Square –Seattle's oldest neighborhood, this is where the term "Skid Row" originated. Lumberjacks skidded logs down Yesler Street, to a mill at the bottom of the hill, and saloons and brothels lined the street. The Underground Tour explores these now subterranean storefronts. Today the neighborhood is filled with art galleries, small shops, restaurants, and bars and clubs, many featuring live music.

International District - Enticing aromas drift from restaurants like Bush Garden and Sea Garden in this primarily Asian neighborhood. Specialty shops filled with unusual treasures line the streets. Check out the inner-city oasis Hing Hay Park, complete with a pagoda and the Wing Luke Asian Museum

Seattle Center – Part amusement park, part festival grounds, the center hosts The Bite of Seattle, Bumbershoot and many other popular festivals. Permanent fixtures of this 74-acre park include the Seattle Opera, Intiman Theater, Paul Allen's Experience Music Project, the Pacific Science Center and the Space Needle.

Nearby Destinations

- International District 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Pioneer Square 1.6 km/1.0 miles

Recreation

- Seattle Athletic's Club 0.9 km/0.6 miles
- Seattle Aquarium 1.2 km/0.8 miles
- Woodland Park Zoo 9.7 km/6.0 miles

Local Attractions

- Waterfront Area 0.8 km/0.5 miles
- Underground Tour 1.0 km/0.6 miles
- Columbia Winery 24.1 km/15.0 miles
- Chateau Ste. Michelle Winery 24.1 km/15.0 miles
- Muckleshoot Indian Casino 40.2 km/25.0 miles
- Boeing-Everett Tour Plant 48.3 km/30.0 miles



Arts & Culture

- Seattle Art Museum 0.4 km/0.3 miles
- Experience Music Project 1.0 km/0.6 miles
- Pacific Science Center 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Children's Museum 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- The Space Needle 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Boeing Museum of Flight 12.9 km/8.0 miles
- Snoqualmie Falls 51.5 km/32.0 miles
- Emerald Queen Casino 56.3 km/35.0 miles

Transportation

- Monorail 0.2 km/0.1 miles
- Ferry Terminal 1.2 km/0.8 miles

Entertainment

- A.C.T. (A Contemporary Theater) 0.1 km/0.1 miles
- 5th Avenue Theater 0.2 km/0.1 miles
- Paramount Theater 0.2 km/0.1 miles
- Benaroya Hall (Seattle Symphony) 0.3 km/0.2 miles
- Safeco Field (Home of the Seattle Mariners Baseball Team) 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Teatro Zinzanni 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Key Arena 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Qwest Field (Home of the Seattle Seahawks and the Seattle Sounders) 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Mercer Arts Arena 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Seattle Center (Site of the 1962 World's Fair) 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- HEC Edmundson Pavilion 8.1 km/5.0 miles
- Husky Stadium 8.1 km/5.0 miles

Shopping

- Gift/Sundry Shop 0.0 km/0.0 miles
- Banana Republic 0.1 km/0.1 miles
- Nordstrom 0.1 km/0.1 miles
- The GAP 0.2 km/0.1 miles
- Westlake Center Mall 0.2 km/0.1 miles
- Macy's 0.3 km/0.2 miles
- Pike Place Market 0.5 km/0.3 miles
- R.E.I. (Store) 1.6 km/1.0 miles
- Design Center Northwest 24.1 km/15.0 miles