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GOYANG STADIUM

CONCERT GUIDE

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1. Getting Your Visa Sorted



Visa policies vary wildly depending on your passport. Here's a universal cheat sheet to help you figure out exactly what you need to prep before flying out to see the boys.

1.1 Do I Need a Visa?

- **Visa-Free Entry:** Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand (90 days), USA, Canada, UK, Australia, New Zealand, most EU/Schengen countries. Stay 30-90 days without a visa.
- **K-ETA:** Some visa-free countries require online K-ETA application. Approval takes 1-3 business days.
- **Visa Required:** Mainland China, India, Vietnam, Philippines, Indonesia must apply at Korean Embassy in advance.

Visa policies can change at any time. Double-check the official Korean Embassy website before departure!

1.2 Common Visa Types

- **C-3-9 (Short-Term General/Tourist):** Standard visa for concert-goers. Allows up to 90 days stay.
- **Group Visa:** Available via designated travel agencies. Must enter/exit with your group.
- **Multiple Entry Visa:** 1/5/10-year options for frequent flyers to Korea!

1.3 General Document Checklist

The Basics (Required for almost everyone)

0. Original Passport (Valid 6+ months, 2+ blank pages)
1. Recent Passport Photo (35mm x 45mm, white background)
2. Visa Application Form
3. Round-trip Flight Itinerary
4. Hotel Booking Confirmation
5. Travel Itinerary

Financial Proof

6. Bank Deposit Certificate or Bank Statements (3-6 months)
7. Certificate of Employment / Business License / Student ID
8. Sponsorship Letter (if applicable)

1.4 Application Process & Tips

- Where to Apply: Korean Embassy/Consulate or authorized Visa Application Center (KVAC)
- When to Apply: Submit at least 3-4 weeks in advance
- K-ETA: Apply at Official K-ETA Website. Cost: ~10,000 KRW, valid 2 years
- Visa Fees: Usually \$40-80 USD for single entry

2. What to Pack

2.1 The Ultimate Checklist

Category	Item	Pro-Tip
ID	Original Passport	Digital copies are invalid! Checked at entry.
Ticket	NOL App E-Ticket	Download app & screenshot in advance
Power	Power Bank	Capacity <=20,000mAh, label visible
Cheer	Official ARMY BOMB	Unofficial lightsticks prohibited!
Weather	Raincoat/Poncho	Outdoor venue + April weather = rain likely
Hygiene	Tissues/Wet Wipes	Bring plenty - restrooms run out fast
Outfit	Layers (Long sleeves + Jacket)	Seoul April: 5-18C, big temp drop at night
Warmth	Scarf/Light Blanket	Gets chilly sitting outdoors for hours
Food	Water & Small Snacks	Food options limited, lines are long
Photo	Phone Only	DSLRs, selfie sticks, tripods STRICTLY BANNED



Concert Essentials Checklist

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concert tickets • Ticket holder | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheering fan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile phone | <input type="checkbox"/> Light stick (with strap) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wallet (cash • credit card) | <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ID card • Health insurance card | <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Keys | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare batteries • Screwdriver |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transport card (ticket) | <input type="checkbox"/> Small scissors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Portable charger | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping bag • Large plastic bag | <input type="checkbox"/> Quick-effect blueberry • Eye drops |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Handkerchief • Tissues • Wet wipes | <input type="checkbox"/> Common medications • Band-aids |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Folding umbrella | <input type="checkbox"/> Water |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merchandise (dolls • standees) | <input type="checkbox"/> Snacks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instant camera | <input type="checkbox"/> Touch-up makeup supplies |



Accommodation • Outdoor Essentials

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change of clothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Headphones |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cosmetics • Skincare products | <input type="checkbox"/> 3C charger |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contact lenses • Glasses | <input type="checkbox"/> Neck pillow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries • Comb | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush • Toothpaste | <input type="checkbox"/> Hat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Razor | <input type="checkbox"/> Raincoat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mask | <input type="checkbox"/> Mosquito repellent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Indoor slippers | <input type="checkbox"/> Handheld fan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Curling iron • Hair straightener | <input type="checkbox"/> Reusable cup |



2.2 April Weather Forecast (ARMY Edition)

Korea in April is spring, but don't let the cherry blossoms fool you. Seoul average temperature: 5-18C with massive day/night difference.

- Daytime: Long sleeves + trench coat or light jacket
- Concert Time (Night): Thicker jacket needed. Sitting in open-air stadium for 3+ hours makes it feel much colder.
- Style Tip: Wear layers! Indoors and subways have heating, but venue will be cold.
- Rain: April brings spring showers. Pack lightweight raincoat (umbrellas block views in crowds).

3. Arrival & Immigration



3.1 Entry Declaration (Q-CODE)

Fill out arrival card online 3 days in advance. If you forget, flight attendants hand out paper cards before landing.

- Electronic Entry: Submit via Korea Q-CODE System beforehand to save time

3.2 Immigration Process

★ CRITICAL: Ensure passport is valid for at least 6 months beyond travel dates!

Step-by-Step Flow

- Disembark: Check monitor for your flight's Baggage Claim Carousel Number
- Follow Signs: Walk towards 'ARRIVAL' arrows and blue signs
- Immigration: Queue in FOREIGN PASSPORTS lane
- Inspection: Present passport, visa/K-ETA, and arrival card/Q-CODE
- Baggage: Check large screen for flight number and pick up luggage
- Exit: Head through customs gate towards EXIT



3.3 Survival Tips

- Currency Exchange: Airport rates are poor. Exchange small amount for transport, then go to Myeongdong (Ilpyunghyang, Daeshin) for best rates.
- Transport Card: Buy T-money card at airport convenience store (CU, GS25) and top up immediately.
- SIM/Data: SIM cards sold at airport, but Korean eSIM online in advance is often cheaper.

4. Venue Guide & Sightlines

4.1 Goyang Sports Complex - Main Stadium

Address: 1601 Jungang-ro, Ilsan-seo-gu, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do



- Capacity: Massive venue with running track. Full capacity approx. 44,000.
- Stage Setup: This BTS concert features a 360-degree Center Stage!
- The View: 360-degree setup offers much better visibility than traditional end-stage. Even from stands, the boys look closer than expected.
- Obstructions: Sightlines are very open with minimal obstructions.

4.2 Venue Need-to-Knows

Cameras: During previous SEVENTEEN concert here, staff were very strict about catching cameras (floor and stands). Be careful!

- Network: Inside stadium, mobile data is surprisingly good (much better than KSPO Dome).
- Seat Preview: Check BTS ticket page on Trip.com for seat view photos.
- Post-Concert Signal: Phone signal will likely crash after show. Walk far from venue to get signal.

★ Crucial: Agree on a specific meeting spot with friends before you enter!

4.3 Lockers & Luggage Storage

Location	Details	Note
KEEP24	Daehwa Stn Exit 4, 4th Floor	Open 24h, various locker sizes
Official Storage	Near parking lot opposite North Gate	Check organizer announcements
Private Storage	Usually available	Long queues after show
Subway Lockers	Inside Daehwa Station	Always full on concert days!

Leave luggage at your hotel in Seoul. Travel light to the concert!

5. Getting There & Back

5.1 Getting to the Venue (Inbound)



Subway Line 3 (Most Reliable)

- Route: Take Line 3 (Orange Line) towards Daehwa
- Get Off: Daehwa Station (Last Stop) -> Exit 3 -> Walk 9-13 mins to East Gate
- Travel Time: Myeongdong ~70 mins / Jongno 3-ga ~55 mins / Hongdae ~60 mins

CRITICAL ALERT: Some Line 3 trains end at Gupabal. If you board one, get off and wait for next train to Daehwa!

GTX-A Express (Fastest!)

- Route: Seoul Station -> GTX-A Line -> KINTEX Station
- Travel Time: Only 17-20 mins (3x faster than subway!)
- Transfer: From KINTEX, take bus (No. 83, 98, 062A) or taxi (5-8 mins) to stadium

Bus Options

Bus No.	Departure Point	Travel Time
M7731	Hongik Univ. / Hapjeong	45-50 mins
1000	Gwanghwamun / Seoul Station	60 mins
3300	Incheon Airport (T1/T2)	60-70 mins

Taxi

- Gimpo Airport -> Goyang: ~30 mins, approx. 20,000+ KRW

- Incheon Airport -> Goyang: ~1 hour+, approx. 40,000+ KRW

Concert Shuttle Bus (Highly Recommended!)

- Direct Service: KKday and Klook offer round-trip shuttles from major hubs (Myeongdong, Hongdae, Dongdaemun)
- Pros: Guaranteed seat back to Seoul without fighting subway crowd
- Booking: Reserve 2-4 weeks in advance - they sell out fast!

5.2 Leaving the Venue (Return Trip)

WARNING: Goyang Stadium has the WORST exit traffic of all Korean venues! Due to crowd control and road blocks, expect 40-60 minutes just to leave the stadium area.

- Subway Line 3: Last train from Daehwa approx. 23:30 (earlier on weekends/holidays!)
- GTX-A: Last train from KINTEX to Seoul Station at 00:42
- Buses to Seoul: No. 1000, 9707 stop running around 22:40-00:00

Survival Guide for the Exit

9. Run, Don't Walk: As soon as show ends, head straight for subway station. Being ahead of crowd is key.
10. Patience is Key: Police block crosswalks to manage crowd flow. You will wait a long time to cross.
11. No Taxis: Hailing a cab is nearly impossible. Drivers near venue often overcharge.
12. No Signal: Phone networks may crash. Agree on meeting point beforehand.
13. Best Option: Book shuttle bus or hire private van for peace of mind.

5.3 Food & Drinks Around the Venue



Within 15-minute walk of Daehwa Station, you'll find plenty of options:

- Cafes: Starbucks, A Twosome Place (great for charging your phone)
- Soup/Rice: Hanwoo Beef Soup, Ox Bone Soup (perfect warm meal)
- Noodles: Cold Noodles (Naengmyeon), Knife-cut Noodles (Kalguksu)
- BBQ: Authentic Korean BBQ spots to fuel up
- Convenience Stores: GS25, CU (outside stadium and inside station)
- Shopping: Hyundai Department Store (KINTEX) and Homeplus - 15-minute walk

6. Accommodation



6.1 Where to Stay: Recommended Zones

Zone	Pros	Cons	Best For
Near Venue (Airbnb)	Walkable! No stress about missing last train	Limited options, boring area	Hardcore Concert-goers
Myeongdong/Chungmuro	Subway Line 3 goes straight to venue	Pricy, hotels book out fast	Shoppers + Concert
Hongdae/Hapjeong	Great value, vibrant nightlife, K-pop album shops	No direct subway (requires bus)	Ultimate K-Pop Experience
Sinchon	Budget-friendly	Requires bus or subway transfer	Budget Travelers/Students

6.2 Pro-Tips for Booking

- The Line 3 Strategy: Venue is at Daehwa Station, terminal stop of Line 3. Staying anywhere along Line 3 means one-seat ride straight to the show.
- Hongdae/Hapjeong: While subway isn't direct, M7731 Bus takes you there in ~40 mins. Plus it's K-pop central for albums and photocards.
- Taxi Split: From Hongdae, taxi split between 4 people is super cheap (under \$7 USD per person).
- Book Early: Hotels in Goyang will be 100% booked during concert dates. Book months in advance or stick to Seoul.

7. Entry & Fan Support



7.1 Entry Timeline

All times are KST (Korea Standard Time) - 1 hour ahead of Beijing Time

Ticket Type	Entry Starts	Details
SC (Soundcheck)	14:10	Includes Rehearsal + Main Show
R/S (Regular)	16:00	Main Show only. Arrive at least 1 hour early!

7.2 The Entry Process

Mandatory Documents (Don't forget these!)

- ID: Original Passport (Photos or copies are NOT accepted)
- Ticket: NOL App E-Ticket. Download app and save screenshot beforehand. Name on ticket MUST match passport. Expect Face ID + Manual checks.
- SC Holders: Must visit verification booth first to get Soundcheck Wristband.

★ No physical paper tickets! Everything is digital via NOL App. On D-Day, QR code appears in app to scan for wristband.

Security Check Rules

BANNED ITEMS	ALLOWED ITEMS
Professional Cameras (DSLRs)	Official ARMY BOMB
Selfie Sticks / Tripods	Power Bank (<=20,000mAh, clear label)
Unofficial Lightsticks	Lightweight Raincoat
Large LED Banners / Stools	Tissues / Small Fan Banners

7.3 ZONE Card & Merch

ZONE Card (Commemorative Photocard)

- SC Holders: Pick up before entry OR after soundcheck
- R/S Holders: Must queue and pick up BEFORE entering venue
- Requirements: Show Weverse Membership (Name must match Passport). Limit: 1 Card per person, per day

Merchandise (MD) Booth

- Sells Lightsticks, Random Packs, etc.

ARMY BOMBS sell out fast! Highly recommended to order via Weverse Shop (Pick-Up option) while on your way to venue.

Appendix: Survival Cheat Sheet

Currency & Payment

- Cash: Exchange currency in Myeongdong (Ilpyunghyang, Daeshin, Embassy Exchange) for best rates. Avoid airport kiosks.
- Cards: Convenience stores and most shops accept foreign Visa/Mastercard.
- Apps: Alipay/WeChat Pay work in some tourist spots in Myeongdong, but cards are safer.

Essential Apps

App	Usage
NOL	Your Digital Ticket (Crucial!)
Naver Map	Navigation (Better than Google Maps in Korea)
KakaoTalk	Messaging (Essential for communicating in Korea)
Kakao T	Taxi Hailing (Like Uber/Grab)
Intent	Translation; Communicate with ARMYs worldwide
T-money	Check transport card balance (via NFC)

Emergency Contacts

- Police: 112
- Ambulance/Fire: 119
- Korea Travel Hotline: 1330 (with Chinese service)
- Chinese Embassy in Korea: 02-738-1038

Final Notes

This guide is compiled based on information available as of March 2026. Please always check official Weverse announcements for final details.



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