

CONFERENCE TELEPHONE SERVICE – LOCAL

A. Definition

Local Conference Service is the furnishing of a simultaneous connection between three or more exchange access arrangements. If Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service rates would apply on a connection between any two of the exchange access arrangements so connected, conference service will be furnished in accordance with provisions of Part 9, Section 1.

B. Conditions Under which Service is Furnished

1. Service is furnished where and to the extent that facilities permit.
2. The connections will be established on either a person-to-person or station-to-station basis.
3. The Company will, upon request, attempt to establish the conference connections at a specified time.

C. Timing of Messages

1. The chargeable duration of the message is the elapsed time between the start of conversation, with all points on the conference connection, and the time at which the disconnect signal is received from the originating exchange access arrangement, except as provided in C.2 following.
2. When the originating customer requests that one or more exchange access arrangements be added to or disconnected from a conference call on which conversation is in progress, that call is considered terminated and a new call is considered initiated to the revised group of exchange access arrangements.
3. Chargeable time does not include time lost because of faults or defects in the service.

D. Rates

A charge per minute or fraction thereof applies for each exchange access arrangement connected.

Set up charge	\$1.75
Charge per minute	.05

CONFERENCE SERVICE**A. Definition**

Long Distance Message Telecommunications Conference Service is the furnishing of simultaneous connections between three or more intraLATA exchange access arrangements. Local conference service is furnished in accordance with the provisions specified in *Conference Telephone Service – Local* found earlier in this Section.

B. Conditions Under Which Service is Furnished

1. Service is furnished where and to the extent that service components permit.
2. The connections will be established on either a Person-to-Person or Station-to-Station basis.
3. The Company will, upon request, attempt to establish the conference connections at a specified time.
4. Charges for conference service may be reversed provided that the total charge is billed against one called service point and that the charge is accepted at the designated service point.

C. Timing of Messages

1. The chargeable duration of the message is the elapsed time between the start of conversation, with all service points on the intraLATA conference connection, and the time at which the disconnect signal is received from the originating service point, except as provided in C.2, following.
2. When the originating customer requests that one or more service points be added to or disconnected from an intraLATA conference call on which conversation is in progress, that call is considered terminated and a new call is considered initiated to the revised group or service points.
3. Chargeable time does not include time lost because of faults or defects in the service.

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D. Rates and Charges

The total charge for the intraLATA conference connection is the sum of the setup charge and the charge for total conversation time.

1. The setup charge is \$1.85 for each service point included in the intraLATA conference call.
2. The charge for conversation time will consist of the total minutes of conversation multiplied by the appropriate charge per minute applying to the intraLATA conference call.

The per minute charge for each service point is as follows:

<u>Mileage Between the Two Most Distance Service Points</u>	<u>Charge Per Minute</u>
0 – 17	\$0.06
18 – 66	0.12
Over 66	0.18

E. Application of Special Charges

A special charge may be applied based upon the cost of any special equipment used. Such special charges are separate from and in addition to the initial period and additional period rates computed as outlined in this guidebook.