#50 – DAMEN (Previously NORTH DAMEN) – Bus Route History

- Su 12-12-1948 Began #50-DAMEN bus service replacing #50-DAMEN streetcars Sat-Sun only from Elston terminal via Damen to 23rd-Wolcott-Blue Island-Damen loop (Lawndale garage)
- Mo 08-22-1949 Began using one-man streetcars daily, discontinued Sat-Sun bus service
- Su 05-13-1951 Replaced streetcars and #50A-NORTH DAMEN buses with buses from Ashland-Olive-Clark-Bryn Mawr loop via Bryn Mawr-Ravenswood-Balmoral-Damen to 23rd-Wolcott-Blue Island-Damen loop, redesignated #50-NORTH DAMEN (North Park and Blue Island garages)
- Mo 05-21-1951 Rerouted buses via Damen to Coulter-Hoyne-Blue Island-Damen loop
- Su 01-16-1955 Transferred Blue Island garage work to Lawndale garage
- Fr 05-20-1955 Rerouted buses via Bryn Mawr to Ashland-Edgewater-Clark-Bryn Mawr loop
- Su 09-08-1957 Transferred North Park garage work to Limits garage
- Su 02-09-1964 Transferred Limits garage work to North Park garage
- Mo 09-12-1966 Extended some Mon-Fri rush buses via Damen to 34th-Hoyne-35th-Damen loop
- Fr 11-14-1969 Suspended service to Damen/35th
- Mo 09-13-1971 Resumed Mon-Fri rush service to Damen/35th
- Fr 09-07-1973 Discontinued service to Damen/35th
- Su 12-16-1973 Transferred Lawndale garage work to Kedzie garage
- Xx ??-??-1977 Redesignated #50-DAMEN
- Su 09-02-1979 Transferred Kedzie garage work to North Park garage
- Sa 09-12-1981 Discontinued owl service
- Su 09-09-1984 Transferred part of work from North Park garage to Kedzie garage
- Su 09-07-1986 Transferred Kedzie garage work to Lawndale garage
- Su 07-03-1994 Transferred all work from North Park and Lawndale garages to Kedzie garage
- Su 06-18-1995 Extended buses via Damen-Archer to 35th-Leavitt-35th/Archer station terminal-Archer loop
- Su 11-16-1997 Rerouted buses via Damen-Foster-Ashland to Ashland-Edgewater-Clark-Bryn Mawr loop
- Su 12-28-1997 Discontinued late evening service
- Su 03-23-2008 Transferred work from Kedzie garage to Archer garage
- Su 02-07-2010 Transferred work from Archer garage to North Park garage, some Mon-Fri PM rush work from Kedzie garage
- Mo 06-21-2010 Discontinued work from Kedzie garage

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