

# Airline Baggage Fees



The grid below summarizes the checked baggage fees of the major North American airlines as of January 13, 2010. Individual policies are subject to change without notice and agents are advised to verify the policy directly with the airline at the time of booking for the most complete, up-to-date information. Unless stated, the fees listed are for coach class tickets. Most airlines provide exemptions for frequent flyer status and full fare passengers. Links to individual baggage policies are provided below. Online check-in refers to the customers pre-paying for their bags prior to getting to the airport. Airport check-in refers to the customers who do not pre-pay for their bags and check a bag at the airport. ASTA recommends that you include the following sample notice with passenger invoices if space permits:

CHECKED BAGGAGE POLICIES VARY BY AIRLINE, DESTINATION, FREQUENT FLYER STATUS, BOOKING CLASS, BAG SIZE AND WEIGHT. FEES MAY APPLY IF (1) YOU PLAN TO CHECK A BAG OR (2) YOU PLAN TO CARRY SPORTS EQUIPEMENT OR AN ODD-SHAPED ITEM OR (3) YOUR BAG EXCEEDS AIRLINE WEIGHT LIMITS.

| Airline  | 1st Bag Fee (Each Way)                | 2nd Bag Fee (Each Way)                          | Applicable Area   |
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| <u><a href="#">Air Canada</a></u><br>Domestic Canada | Free                                  | Free  | Travel within Canada and travel between Canada/the US and international (excluding Europe and Israel) |
| <u><a href="#">Air Canada</a></u><br>International   | Free                                  | \$30 CAD  | Travel between Canada and the US  |
|  | Free                                  | \$50 CAD  | Travel between Canada/the US and Europe or Israel   |
| <u><a href="#">Air France</a></u><br>International   | Free                                  | \$40- online check-in<br>\$50- airport check-in | US travel to/from Europe including Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia                                      |
| <u><a href="#">Air Tran</a></u>                      | \$15                                  | \$25  | Systemwide  |
| <u><a href="#">Alaska / Horizon</a></u>              | \$15                                  | \$25  | Domestic US   |
| <u><a href="#">American</a></u><br>Domestic          | \$20*<br>*\$25- Ticketed on/after 2/1 | \$30*<br>*\$35- Ticketed on/after 2/1           | US, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands  |
|  | \$15                                  | \$25  | Flights within Canada or to/from Canada and the United States, the US Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico  |
| <u><a href="#">American</a></u><br>International     | Free                                  | \$50  | US travel to/from: Europe and India   |

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| <b><u>British Airways</u></b><br><b>International</b>   | Free  | \$48- online check-in<br>\$60- airport check-in   | UK to all routes except UK Domestic and Europe   |
| <b><u>Continental</u></b><br><b>Domestic</b>            | \$23- online check-in<br>\$25- airport check-in   | \$32- online check-in<br>\$35- airport check-in   | First bag fee applies to 50 US, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands and Canada  |
|   | Free  | \$27- online check-in<br>\$30- airport check-in   | Travel between the 50 US, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Island, and Canada to Mexico, Central America, Caribbean, and South America (excluding Brazil)          |
| <b><u>Continental</u></b><br><b>International</b>       | Free  | \$45- online check-in<br>\$50- airport check-in   | Travel between Europe and 50 US states, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands, and Canada   |
| <b><u>Delta - Northwest</u></b><br><b>Domestic</b>      | \$23- online check-in<br>\$25- airport check-in   | \$32- online check-in<br>\$35- airport check-in   | Within the US or to/from Puerto Rico, USVI, and Canada   |
| <b><u>Delta - Northwest</u></b><br><b>International</b> | Free  | \$25  | Travel between US/Canada, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands to/from Bermuda and Latin America (Mexico, Caribbean, Central and South America, except Brazil) |
|   | Free  | \$50  | Travel between the US and Europe   |
| <b><u>Frontier</u></b>                                  | \$20  | \$30  | Domestic   |
| <b><u>JetBlue</u></b>                                   | Free  | \$30  | Systemwide   |
| <b><u>Spirit</u></b>                                    | \$19- online check-in<br>\$25- airport check-in   | \$25 online or airport check-in   | Systemwide   |
| <b><u>Southwest</u></b>                                 | Free  | Free  | Systemwide   |
| <b><u>United</u></b><br><b>Domestic</b>                 | \$23*- online check-in<br>\$25*- airport check-in<br>*Ticketed on/after 1/14,<br>Travel on/after 1/21 | \$32*- online check-in<br>\$35*- airport check-in<br>*Ticketed on/after 1/14,<br>Travel on/after 1/21 | 50 U.S., Canada, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands   |

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| <b><u>United</u></b><br><b>International</b>     | Free  | \$45- online check-in<br>\$50- airport check-in   | Travel between US and Europe<br>or India             |
|  | Free  | \$27- online check-in<br>\$30- airport check-in   | Travel between US and Mexico<br>or the Caribbean     |
| <b><u>US Airways</u></b><br><b>Domestic</b>      | \$23*- online check-in<br>\$25- airport check-in<br>*Ticketed on/after 1/18,<br>Travel on/after 2/1 | \$32*- online check-in<br>\$35- airport check-in<br>*Ticketed on/after 1/18,<br>Travel on/after 2/1 | U.S. to/from Canada, Latin<br>America, the Caribbean |
| <b><u>US Airways</u></b><br><b>International</b> | Free  | \$50- online check-in<br>\$55- airport check-in   | Transatlantic flights                                |
| <b><u>Virgin America</u></b>                     | \$20  | \$20  | Systemwide   |

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