

United Airlines Baggage Fees: What You Need to Know Before You Fly

Understanding United Baggage Policy and Costs

📞 +1/844/213/7319 Packing for a trip requires knowing the baggage rules to avoid unexpected fees at the airport. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 United Airlines has specific guidelines for checked bags, carry-ons, and special items. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Understanding these policies helps you budget properly and pack efficiently. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Many passengers wonder about current baggage allowances and associated costs. 📞 +1/844/213/7319

Carry-On Baggage Allowance

📞 +1/844/213/7319 United allows one carry-on bag and one personal item per passenger at no charge on most flights. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Your carry-on must fit in the overhead bin and not exceed 22 x 14 x 9 inches. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Personal items include purses, laptop bags, or small backpacks that fit under the seat. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Basic Economy passengers may have different allowances depending on the route. 📞 +1/844/213/7319

Checked Baggage Fees for Domestic Flights

📞 +1/844/213/7319 For domestic travel within the United States, the first checked bag typically costs a fee that varies by route and ticket type. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 The second checked bag has a higher fee. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Bags must weigh 50 pounds or less and measure no more than 62 linear inches. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Overweight or oversized bags incur additional charges. 📞 +1/844/213/7319

International Flight Baggage Allowance

📞 +1/844/213/7319 International flights often have more generous baggage allowances. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Many international routes include one or two free checked bags, depending on your destination and fare class. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Weight and size limits may differ from domestic flights. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 Premium cabin passengers usually enjoy higher baggage allowances. 📞 +1/844/213/7319

Who Gets Free Checked Bags on United

📞 +1/844/213/7319 Several passenger groups qualify for waived baggage fees. 📞 +1/844/213/7319 United MileagePlus Medallion members receive complimentary checked

bags based on their status level.  +1/844/213/7319 Active US military personnel traveling on orders can check bags for free.  +1/844/213/7319 United MileagePlus credit card holders often receive free checked bag benefits.  +1/844/213/7319 Passengers in premium cabins like First Class and United Comfort+ enjoy complimentary baggage allowances.  +1/844/213/7319

Special Item and Sports Equipment Fees

 +1/844/213/7319 United accepts special items like golf clubs, skis, surfboards, and bicycles with specific fees and size restrictions.  +1/844/213/7319 Musical instruments can be brought as carry-on items if they fit size requirements or purchased a seat.  +1/844/213/7319 Mobility devices and medical equipment typically travel free of charge.  +1/844/213/7319 Each type of sports equipment has different handling requirements.  +1/844/213/7319

How to Avoid or Reduce Baggage Fees

 +1/844/213/7319 Pack light and use only carry-on bags when possible.  +1/844/213/7319 Join the MileagePlus program and work toward elite status for free bag benefits.  +1/844/213/7319 Consider applying for a United MileagePlus credit card that includes baggage fee waivers.  +1/844/213/7319 Prepay for baggage online before arriving at the airport to potentially save money compared to airport counter fees.