

# United Airlines Baggage Fees & Policy-(2025 Guide)

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Need to understand the baggage fees for United Airlines for 2025? Below is a detailed guide to help you navigate what to expect when checking bags on United Airlines.

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## ✓ Overview of United Airlines Checked-Bag Fees

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- For travel within/between the U.S., Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands: the 1st checked bag fee is **\$40** (or **\$35** if paid online in advance) (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).
- The 2nd checked bag fee on these same domestic routes is **\$45**.
- (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )) For travel to/from Canada, the Caribbean, Mexico, Central America, and Guyana: 1st bag is **\$35**, 2nd bag is **\$45**.
- Fees are per person, each way, and non-refundable (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).

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## ✓ Other Baggage Fee Considerations

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- International routes and Basic Economy tickets may have different baggage allowances and fees (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).
- Oversize, overweight, and additional bag fees apply and can be significantly higher (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).
- Sports and specialty equipment often follow standard checked bag fees up to 50 lbs/23 kg, but overweight rules apply beyond that (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).

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## ✓ How to Pay for Bags on United Airlines

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- You can pay online or through the airline's mobile app — usually at a lower rate compared to paying at the airport (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).

- Paying online ahead of time helps avoid long lines and last-minute extra fees during check-in (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).

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### ✓ **Bag Allowance Basics and Limits**

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- Standard checked bag size: maximum **62 inches / 158 cm** (L + W + H).
- Maximum weight: **50 lbs / 23 kg** for most economy fares (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).
- Premium cabins may allow up to **70 lbs / 32 kg** on certain international routes.
- Overweight and oversized bags incur additional fees (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).

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### ✓ **Tips to Avoid Surprises**

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- Double-check your fare class to know how many bags (if any) are included (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).
- Weigh and measure your bag at home to avoid overweight or oversize charges.
- Pay for your bags online to get the lowest price (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).
- Review baggage rules for your specific destination region.
- If carrying special equipment, review the specialty baggage guidelines ahead of time (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).

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### ✓ **FAQs**

**Q:** What if my bag weighs more than 50 lbs/23 kg?

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Overweight fees apply, with higher charges for bags between 50–70 lbs and even higher beyond that.

**Q:** Does United Airlines ever include a free checked bag?

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Yes—some international routes and premium cabins include at least one free checked bag.

**Q:** Are baggage fees refundable?

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No. Once paid, baggage fees are non-refundable.

**Q:** Do Basic Economy fares include free checked bags?

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Usually not. Basic Economy often requires paying for all checked bags.

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### **Conclusion**

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United Airlines' baggage fees in 2025 follow a predictable structure: **\$35–\$40** for the first checked bag on most U.S. domestic routes when paid online, and **\$45** for the second. Fees vary by destination and fare type (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )), and overweight or oversized luggage can add substantial costs. Paying online and reviewing your fare details ahead of time helps you avoid surprises and ensures a smooth travel experience (( +1+(862)-(225)-(1913) )).