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Airlines in the tables are:

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Comparing airline fees for optional extras and other charges

When buying airline tickets, to find the best value flight, there are two aspects of the choices available to consider:

1. The airfare (or 'headline price') and any additional taxes or surcharges; and
2. The cost of optional extras and other charges chosen to pay when booking.

The table below sets out a comparison of these optional extras and other charges, so that passengers can compare like with like across the different airfares available, and take informed decisions as to which flights represent best value to them. Prices and fees shown in the tables are based on economy fare tickets unless otherwise stated.

The headline price / airfare

Airfares vary depending upon where and when you want to fly, when you book and with the airline that you choose to fly with.

In general it is cheaper to book earlier, or when travelling at less popular times. Airfares also vary – sometimes significantly – between different airlines. This can reflect the differences between airline business models, with some airlines including services such as hold baggage or allocated seating in the airfare, whilst other airlines either do not offer these services, or charge for them.

Shopping around and comparing the airfares and services offered by different airlines will help to find the best value flight. European law requires airlines to show airfares including all unavoidable taxes, fees and charges. Whilst the price of these unavoidable taxes, fees and charges varies between airlines and between destinations, if they are unavoidable, all of these costs should be included in the prices displayed upfront on websites and in adverts. Many airlines choose to display the taxes, fees and charges that are included in the airfare separately. Examples of the taxes, fees and charges that are included in airfares are: Air Passenger Duty (a UK Government tax); Passenger Service Charges; Fuel Surcharges; (compulsory) Check in fees; and fees relating to insurance and security costs.

Charges for optional extras and charges incurred when booking

The tables below provide information on what other optional extras may be applied to your fare depending on your requirements and the other charges that may be added to your booking.

When viewed alongside the air fare, it should help you make an informed choice.

The tables cover the 23 of the largest airlines in the UK based on flights operating in the UK.

Some operators have different pricing for long haul, mid haul and short haul services which have been shown in the tables.

Glossary

Prices and fees shown are based on economy fare tickets unless otherwise stated.

N/A (not applicable) means the service is not available or not offered.

Where (airport), (phone) or (online) is shown, this refers to the method of booking that the particular fee or charge relates to.

SH - Short haul: flight time under three hours e.g. London-Paris

MH - Mid haul: flight time between three and six hours e.g. London – Tenerife

LH - Long haul: flight time over six hours e.g. London – New York.

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<u>Aer Lingus</u>	<u>55x40x24 cm and 10 kg plus one personal item - 25x33x20 cm.</u>	<u>£1.00 per booking.</u>	All check in types included.	N/A	<u>Standard seats SH: £5 - £14. LH: £18 - £40.</u>	<u>LH: 1 x 23kg bag SH: N/A.</u>	<u>SH: 1st bag £30 - £59. LH: 2nd and subsequent £65.</u>	<u>£25 (online) or £32 (call centre/airport) per item per flight.</u>	<u>LH: meals / refreshments included. SH: meals from £6.50 (online).</u>	<u>Date/Itinerary/Route change: £35 (online) £40 (phone/airport) plus fare difference. Lounge access: 25 EUR.</u>	No charge.
<u>Air Canada</u>	<u>23x40x55 cm and 10kg plus one personal item - 16x33x43 cm and 10kg.</u>	N/A	All check in types included.	Included for Gold members and premium economy fare and higher.	<u>Standard seat selection included. Extra legroom / preferred seats: from 19 CAD.</u>	<u>1 x 23kg bag.</u>	<u>2nd 23kg bag: 70 CAD. Overweight and oversized bags: 100 CAD.</u>	<u>Over weight sports and music equipment: 50 CAD.</u>	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.	<u>Name changes within 24 hours of booking: free of charge.</u>	No charge.
<u>Air France</u>	<u>55x35x25 cm plus one accessory e.g. purse, camera, notebook combined weight 12kg.</u>	N/A	All check in types included.	Available for Sky Priority Club members.	<u>LH: 50 - 70 EUR. SH/MH: 10 - 20 EUR.</u>	<u>1 x 23kg bag. Some Mini Fares are hand baggage only.</u>	<u>Overweight bags: 70 EUR. Oversized bags: 75 EUR. 2nd bag: 70 EUR.</u>	<u>Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Excess charges apply.</u>	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey/	<u>Phone bookings: £13 per ticket. Ticket office booking: £20 per ticket. Time to Think: £5 - £15 per reservation.</u>	£4.50 per passenger.
<u>American Airlines</u>	<u>56x35x23 cm plus one personal item which must fit beneath the seat in front.</u>	N/A	All check in types included.	<u>Group 1 Boarding: 15-40 USD.</u>	<u>4-139 USD (includes extra legroom/ preferred seats).</u>	<u>1 x 23 kg bag.</u>	<u>2nd 23kg bag: £65. Overweight bags: 100 USD. Oversized bags: £100.</u>	<u>Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Excess charges apply, some items have individual charges e.g. bikes: 150 USD.</u>	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey/	<u>PayPal: £4.50 per ticket. Round the world itineraries: £25 per passenger. Same day flight change: 75 EUR.</u>	<u>£4.50 per ticket.</u>

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<u>British Airways</u>	56x45x25 cm plus one personal item 45x36x20 cm. 23kg per bag.	<u>Flight info only available: 25p per message + standard message rate.</u>	All check in types included.	N/A	<u>Free of charge 24 hours before departure. Extra leg room seats: SH from £5 and LH from £50.</u>	<u>Most fares include at least 1 x 23kg bag (some fares are hand baggage only)</u>	<u>Extra 23kg bag - flight to/from LGW: £36 (online), £40 (airport). All other destinations: £40 (online), £65 (airport).</u>	<u>Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Excess charges apply.</u>	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.	PayPal: £5 per booking. Optional charity donations: £2 per booking. Option for a carbon offset donation.	£5 per booking.
<u>Delta</u>	56x36x23 cm plus one personal item e.g. laptop.	N/A	All check in types included.	<u>Free of charge for Diamond, Platinum and Gold Medallion members.</u>	<u>Included in ticket price. extra leg room seats: 9-59 USD.</u>	<u>At least 1 x 23kg bag included in most fares.</u>	<u>2nd 23kg bag: 75 EUR.</u>	<u>Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Standard excess charges apply.</u>	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.	<u>On board Wi-Fi: from 4.99 USD.</u>	No charge.
<u>EasyJet</u>	56x45x25 cm. Bags under 50x40x20 cm are guaranteed to stay with you; larger bags may be placed in the hold free of charge on busy flights.	N/A	<u>Online or mobile check in only. Airport check in is only available in exceptional circumstances.</u>	<u>Speedy Boarding is included for passengers who have purchased extra leg room or up front seats.</u>	<u>Advanced seat selection and extra leg room seats: £0.99 - £15.99</u>	N/A	<u>1st 20kg bag: £11-21 (online), £30 (airport), £45 (boarding gate). Excess charges: £3 per kg (online), £10 per kg (airport).</u>	<u>Small equipment: £30 (online), £40 (airport). Large equipment: £35 (online), £45 (airport).</u>	Available for purchase on board.	<u>Cancellation fee: £30. Name/ flight change: £35 (online), £40 (airport). Rescue fee: £65.</u>	2% per booking.
<u>Emirates</u>	55x38x20 cm plus a small amount of duty free.	N/A	All check in types included.	N/A	<u>Standard seating can be requested free of charge.</u>	<u>30 kg per passenger.</u>	<u>Extra 5kg: £113. Extra 10 kg: £225.</u>	<u>Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Excess charges apply.</u>	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.	<u>On board Wi-Fi: 2.75 USD per smart phone, 7.50 USD per tablet.</u>	No charge.
<u>Flybe</u>	55x40x23 cm and 10 kg.	<u>£1 per booking + standard network rate.</u>	All check in types included.	N/A	<u>Standard seats: £6.50 (online), £8 (phone/airport). Extra leg room: £15 (online), £22 (phone/airport).</u>	N/A	<u>15 kg: £14.99 (online), £18 (phone). 20 kg: £15.99 (online), £20 (phone), £40 (airport).</u>	<u>Equipment: £30 (phone/ airport) e.g. bikes or surf boards.</u>	Available for purchase on board.	<u>Ticket / route change: £35 (online), £40 (phone/airport). Call centre booking fee: £8.</u>	<u>3% per booking.</u>

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Jet2.com	56x45x25 cm and 10kg.	No charge.	Airport check in: hand baggage only £12 (online), with hold luggage £15 (online).	N/A	Seat selection: from £4 (online). Extra leg room: from £10 (online). Prices vary on route.	N/A	22kg: from £10 (online) price varies on route.	Equipment e.g. golf clubs or skis: from £25 (online).	Available for purchase on board. Meals can be pre ordered from £6.50 (online).	Not printing boarding pass: £17.50. PayPal: 2% per booking.	2.5% per booking.
KLM	55x25x35 cm plus one personal item e.g. laptop. Total weight 12 kg.	No charge.	All check in types included.	N/A	Standard seat selection is included. Extra leg room: 20-90 EUR (online). Comfort seats: 10-160 EUR (online).	1 x 23 kg bag.	2nd 23kg bag: 56 EUR (online), 70 EUR (airport). Overweight bag: 70 EUR (airport).	Over standard luggage allowances are charged individually e.g. bikes: 100 EUR (airport).	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.	Western Union payment fees apply.	£4.50 per passenger.
Lufthansa	55x40x23 cm and 10 kg plus one personal item - 30x40x10 cm.	No charge.	All check in types included.	N/A	Standard seat: 25 EUR (online). Extra leg room: 50-90 EUR (online).	1 x 23 kg bag.	Overweight: 50-100 EUR. Oversized: 100-200 EUR. Overweight and oversized: 150-300 EUR.	Over standard luggage allowances are charged individually from 50 EUR.	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.	PayPal: no charge.	£4.50 per booking.
Monarch Charter (MONXXX)	1 or 2 pieces with a combined size and weight: 56x40x25 cm and 5 kg plus one small bag of duty free.	N/A	Airport check in is included in ticket price.	N/A	Standard seat allocation SH: £8. LH: £10.	1 x 20 kg bag is usually included. Passengers should check with their tour operator.	Extra 3 kg: £10 (online) £10 for every subsequent kg (online). SH: £10 per kg (airport). LH: £15 per kg (airport).	Up to 25kg: £25 (airport only). 25-32kg: £35 (airport only).	Available for purchase on board. Meals can be pre ordered from £7.99 (online).	PayPal: no charge.	2% of total or £5 per booking whichever is highest.
Monarch Scheduled (ZBXXX)	1 or 2 pieces with a combined size and weight: 56x40x25 cm and 10 kg plus one small bag of duty free.	N/A	Online check in is only available to passengers who have paid for seat allocation. Airport check in: no charge.	N/A	Standard seats: £2.99-9.99 (online). Extra leg room: £4.99-32.99 (online).	N/A	20 kg: £9.99-26.99 (online), £30 (airport/phone). Extra 3kg: £10 (online), SH: £10 (phone/airport), LH: £12 (phone/airport).	Golf clubs, bikes, skis 20kg: £24.99 (online), £30 (airport).	Available for purchase on board. Meals can be pre ordered from £7.99 (online).	PayPal: no charge. Name change: £100 (online), £120 (phone). Time/date change: £35 (online), £40 (phone).	2% of total £5 per booking whichever is highest.

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Norwegian Air Shuttle	<u>55x40x23 cm and 10 kg plus one personal item which must fit under the seat.</u>	N/A	<u>All check in types included.</u>	<u>Fast track: £10.</u>	<u>Standard seats: £7-25.</u>	N/A	<u>1 x 20 kg bag: £7-60 depending on route and if purchased online or airport. Excess: £9 per kg.</u>	<u>Snow / golf 20kg: £20-33 (online), £30-54 (airport). Bikes / surfboards 25kg: £30-50 (online), £40-60 (airport). Musical instruments 20kg: £30-54 (online).</u>	Available to purchase on board.	<u>Ticket change: £36-75. Name change: £36. Call centre booking charge: £15. Refund fee: £5.</u>	<u>1.99% per booking.</u>
Ryanair	<u>55x40x20 cm and 10kg and one personal item 35x20x20 cm.</u>	<u>£2.49 per booking.</u>	<u>Airport check in £70. Online check in: Included in fare.</u>	<u>From £2 (online), from £4 (airport). Also included with some premium seat allocations.</u>	<u>Premium seat (inc priority boarding): from £10 (online), from £15 (airport). Regular seat: from £5 (online), from £7 (airport).</u>	N/A	<u>1st or 2nd x 15 kg bag: £15-£25 (online), £30-70 (airport/ phone). 1st or 2nd x 20 kg bag: £25-45 (online), £40-75 (airport/ phone). Excess fee: £10 per kg.</u>	<u>Up to 20kg: £50 (online), £60 (airport).</u>	Available to purchase on board.	<u>Boarding card reissue: £15. Flight change: £30-60 (online), £45-90 (airport). Tax refund fee: £17 per passenger. Call centre booking fee: £20 per booking.</u>	<u>2% per booking.</u>
SAS	<u>55x40x23 cm and 8 kg plus a personal item e.g. laptop and small bag of duty free.</u>	N/A	<u>All check in types included.</u>	N/A	<u>Standard seats: free of charge 22 hours before departure. Preferred seats SH: 12 EUR (online), LH: 35 EUR (online).</u>	<u>1 x 23 kg bag.</u>	<u>2nd and 3rd bags from 51 EUR (online), 66 EUR (airport). Overweight bags: from 30 EUR (airport).</u>	<u>Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Standard excess charges apply.</u>	Tea / coffee is complimentary, snacks and refreshments are available to purchase.	<u>Name change: 60 EUR (phone).</u>	No charge.
Swiss Airlines	<u>55x40x23 cm and 8kg plus one personal item e.g. laptop.</u>	No charge.	<u>All check in types included.</u>	N/A	<u>Seat preferences can be made when booking e.g. aisle. Seats can be selected free of charge 48 hours before departure.</u>	<u>1 x 23 kg bag.</u>	<u>2nd bag: 75-150 EUR. Oversize bag: 100-200 EUR. Overweight bag: 50-100 EUR. Oversize and overweight bag: 150-300 EUR.</u>	<u>Prices vary on length of journey and equipment. Bikes / golf: 50-100 EUR. 1 ski bag is carried free of charge: 2nd and subsequent: 50-100 EUR.</u>	<u>Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.</u>	<u>72 hour fare lockdown: £17 per booking.</u>	<u>£4.50 per ticket.</u>

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<u>Thomas Cook Airlines</u>	55x40x20 cm and 6 kg.	N/A	All check in types included.	N/A	SH: from £6.50, mid haul: from £9.50, LH: from £14. Children half price.	Some package holidays may include hold luggage, passengers are advised to check with their travel agent. From May 2015 all LH will include 20 kg.	1 x 20 kg bag: SH - £19 (online), £39 (phone), mid haul - £22 (online), £48 (phone), LH (ex USA) - £28 (online), £48 (phone). USA flights - 23 kg bag £50 (online), £70 (phone).	Varies depending on item, e.g. golf club 15 kg: £60 per return trip. Ski/snowboard equipment: £70 per person per return trip.	SH: £6.50 (online), mid haul: £9 (online), LH: £11 (online). Children half price.	Name or flight change: short and mid haul over 25 hours before departure or LH over 80 hours before departure - £35 + fare difference (online). £55 + fare difference (phone).	2% per booking.
<u>Thomson Airways</u>	55x40x20 cm and 5 kg for flight only bookings and 7 kg for some holiday bookings.	Free app which includes booking and flight information.	All check in types included.	N/A	From £7.50. Premium seating from £149.	Some package holidays may include 15 or 20 kg hold luggage, passengers are advised to check with their travel agent. Most ski flights include 15 kg per passenger.	Excess: SH/MH - £13 per kg (airport), LH: £18 per kg (airport).	Equipment should be booked at least two months in advance.	SH: food and drinks can be purchased on board. LH: meals are included in the ticket price. Refreshments on sale on all flights.	Minor name changes: £50, surname/ passenger/ passenger type: £50-100% of fare. Date/ flight time/ airport/ duration: from £30+50% of fare - 100% of fare. Price depends on how many days until departure.	2% per booking, max of £95.
<u>United Airlines</u>	22x35x56 cm and one personal item: 22x25x43 cm.	Available, UK charges are not clear.	All check in types included.	Available for Premier Access customers.	Seats are allocated free of charge at check in.	1 x 23 kg bag.	2nd 23 kg bag: 100 USD. Oversized bags: 200 USD. Overweight bags: 100-200 USD.	Bikes and other sporting equipment: 150-200 USD.	Meal and/or refreshments included appropriate for length of journey.	Western Union payment: £10 per transaction. Premier Access/ Airport lounge: 48 USD. Spelling mistakes can be corrected free of charge, large mistakes must be substantiated e.g. marriage certificate.	No charge.

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Virgin Atlantic	23x36x56 cm and 10 kg.	N/A	All check in types included.	Included in Premium fares.	Seats allocated free of charge at check in. Exit row seats: £50-90. Extra leg room: £35-50. Seat plus: £60-199.	1 x 23 kg bag.	2nd 23kg bag: £55 (online), £65 (airport). 3rd bag +: £120 (online), £140 (airport). Overweight/sized: £40 (airport).	Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive luggage allowance, standard excess fees apply.	Meals and refreshments are included.	Fare locker: £10. Paper tickets: £25. Upgrades: £10-5000. Guest list package: from £240.	1.5% of booking.
Wizz Air	Small cabin bag' included in fare: 42x32x25 cm. 'Large cabin bags' 56x45x25 cm: £9-15 (online), £28 (airport). Only 1 bag per person, either large or small.	Flight details: £1.30.	Airport check in: £8 (online), £25 (airport).	£3 (online), £6 (airport).	Standard seats: £6.50-14. Extra space: £10-11.59. XXLong: £13.50-20.	N/A	£13-30 per 32kg bag (online), £51 (airport).	£24 (online/phone), £51 (airport).	Available to purchase on board.	Call centre booking fee: £8.12. Seat protection fee: £63.77. Flight change: £15-44.06. Flex fee: £8. Invoice change: £4. Name change: £36 (online), £47.54 (phone). Missed departure: £56. On arrival guarantee: £8	No charge.