

This table was updated on May 25th 2021. It will be comprehensively checked and republished in May 2022. The charges may be checked a few days before this date. Whilst every effort has been made to ensure the information on this table is correct, we would advise confirmation with the airlines before ticket purchase. If you notice any errors, omissions or changes to the information set out below, please contact us at consumerenforcement@caa.co.uk. We will endeavour to make changes to the data within three working days if notified. Prices are per passenger per one way flight unless otherwise stated.

Airlines in the tables are:

[Aer Lingus](#), [American Airlines](#), [British Airways](#), [easyJet](#), [Emirates](#), [Jet2](#), [KLM](#), [Lufthansa](#), [Norwegian](#), [Ryanair](#), [TUI Airways](#), [United Airlines](#), [Virgin Atlantic](#), and [Wizz Air](#).

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 and are per person per flight unless otherwise stated.

N/A (not applicable) means the service may not be available or information is not provided on their websites.

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

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

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

Airline	Cabin bag dimensions	Check-in	Priority boarding	Advanced seat selection	Inclusive Luggage Allowance	Baggage Fees / Excess Fees / Sports / Music equipment	Meals / refreshments	Other charges
Aer Lingus	55x40x24 cm and 10 kg plus one personal item - 25x33x20 cm. For Stobart services one bag: 48x33x20 cm and 7kg plus one personal item - 25x33x20 cm.	No charge	N/A	£3.99-79.99.	Flights within Europe: 1 x 20kg bag Plus, Advantage and AerSpace fares. LH: 1 x 23kg bag Smart and Flex fares	SH/MH: 20, 25, 40kg options £24 – 60 for saver fares short haul and £36-62 for mid-haul at the time of booking (different prices apply when adding items to existing booking online/call centre/at airport) LH: 2nd and subsequent £49-75 (online). Excess charges apply. Sports Equipment: €40 (online) or €50 (call centre / airport) per item per flight.	LH: No charge. SH: meals and snacks available to purchase onboard (inflight services are temporarily suspended on Aer Lingus Regional flights).	Date/Itinerary/Route change: £35-£40 plus fare difference. APD refund fee: £13.50 Name change: £80 per passenger.
American Airlines	56x36x23 cm plus one personal - 45x35x20.	No charge	Free for premium fares and AA advantage membership; \$9-\$74 for other fares	\$4-\$139 (preferred seats).	Varies between different class and advantage clubs, as well as route	Overweight bags: \$100. Oversized bags: \$150 - \$200. Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Excess charges apply, some items have individual charges e.g. bikes: \$150.	No charge on long haul flights.	Same day flight change: \$75 - \$150. Wifi - \$10.
British Airways	56x45x25 cm plus one personal item 40x30x15 cm. 23kg per bag.	No charge	N/A	Depending on route.	Most fares include at least 1 x 23kg bag (some fares are hand baggage only)	23kg bag: from £36 depends on route and fare purchased. Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Overweight bags: £65 per bag per flight.	LH – No charge, SH – available to purchase online or on board.	Name change: free of charge within 24 hours of booking. Spelling mistakes can be corrected without charge.
EasyJet	45 x 36 x 20 cm for customers who booked an Up Front or Extra legroom seat one extra piece 56 x 45 x 25 cm	No charge	Included for speedy boarding and hands free customers	Advanced seat selection and extra leg room seats: £0.99 - £39.99.	N/A	1st 15kg bag: £6.99 - £35.49. Oversized hand luggage: £24 - £48 at the boarding gate Additional weight: £12 per 3kg (online), £12 per kilo (airport). Small equipment: £37-£47 Large equipment: £45-£55 Hands free: £7 or £16 for a group	Available for purchase on board.	Cancellation fee within 24 hours of booking, Name Change, transferring to an earlier return flight: £49 - £55 (spelling mistakes will be corrected free of charge). Rescue fee: £110.

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Emirates	55x38x20 cm, 7 kg plus a small amount of duty free.	No charge.	N/A	Seats allocated free of charge for certain fare types. Seat selection from \$15.	20kg to 35kg per passenger, price depends on fare type purchased	From \$15 per extra kg. Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive allowance. Standard excess charges apply.	Included.	Name Change: £10.00 for direct bookings, £20.00 for travel agent bookings On board Wi-Fi: \$2.99 – \$5.99 (varies by route)
Jet2.com	56x45x25 cm, 10kg. You can also bring a small, personal item on board (such as a handbag, laptop bag or airport purchase).	No charge.	N/A	Seats allocated free of charge at check in; Seat selection: Prices vary depending on route.	N/A	from £45 (at the airport) online price vary on route. Excess baggage: £12 per kilo. Equipment e.g. golf clubs or skis: from £30 (online).	Available for purchase online and on board.	Flight/name change: £35 plus fare difference Spelling mistakes can be corrected without charge.
KLM	55x25x35 cm plus one personal item e.g. laptop (max 40 x 30 x 15 cm.) Total weight 12 kg.	No charge	N/A (Included for SkyPriority passengers)	Standard seat selection: Prices vary depending on route. Seat with extra legroom €20 - €70.	LH/SH – 1 x 23 kg bag on most routes. Light ticket option does not include check-in baggage.	SH – 1st 23kg bag: from €15 (online). 2nd 23kg bag: from €35 (online). Overweight bag: €20-100 (airport). Over standard luggage allowances are charged individually e.g. bikes: €40-125.	Included.	Name change e.g. spelling mistakes: no charge.

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Lufthansa	<u>55x40x23 cm and 8 kg.</u>	No charge.	N/A	<u>Standard seat: from €12. Extra leg room: from €25.</u>	LH - <u>1 x 23 kg bag, no luggage is included for Economy Light. SH/MH - some hand baggage only fares are offered.</u>	<u>Overweight or oversized: €40-€200. Overweight + oversized: €80-300. Sports equipment: 70-250 EUR</u>	<u>Bottle of water is provided for flights over 50 minutes, a snack for flights over 120 minutes, a sandwich for flights over 180 minutes.</u>	<u>Internet: €5 - €29 depending on route and package.</u>
Norwegian Air Shuttle	<u>Low fare 30 x 20 x 38 cm, other fares one additional bag of 55x40x23cm, max combined weight 10kg (15kg for Flex fare).</u>	No charge.	<u>Fast track: €12 (included for Flex and premium tickets).</u>	<u>Standard seats: £8-45.</u>	<u>LowFare: no bags included. LowFare+: 1 x 23 kg. Flex: 2 x 23 kg.</u>	<u>checked bag: £13-130 depending on route and if purchased online or airport. Excess: £12 per kg. Snowboards/skis/golf 20kg: £37 (online), £45 - £60 (airport). Bikes / surfboards 25kg: £45 (online) £45 - £70 (airport). Musical instruments 20kg: £50 - £60 (online).</u>	Available to purchase on board.	<u>Ticket change: £60 plus fare difference. Name change: £60 (free for Flex fare). Call centre booking charge: £20.</u>

<p><u>Ryanair</u></p>	<p><u>All passengers: 40x20x25cm. Additional cabin bag can be purchased: 55x40x20cm and 10kg</u></p>	<p><u>Mobile and online: No charge.</u></p> <p><u>Airport: £55.</u></p>	<p><u>£8 - £22</u></p>	<p><u>Standard: from £3</u></p> <p><u>Leg room: from £14 (depending on route)</u></p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p><u>Baggage fee: £12.99 - £59.99.</u></p> <p><u>Excess fee: £11 per kg.</u></p> <p><u>Sports equipment and musical instruments: £30 – £75 Fee for Special Declaration of Valuable Baggage: £50.</u></p>	<p><u>Available to purchase online and on board.</u></p>	<p><u>Boarding card reissue: £20.</u></p> <p><u>Flight change: £35-£95.</u></p> <p><u>Name change: £115 (online). £160 (through an agent).</u></p> <p><u>ADP refund fee: £17.</u></p> <p><u>Missed departure fee: £100.</u></p> <p><u>Hold fare: £2.50.</u></p>
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TUI Airways	55x40x20 cm and 10kg for flight only bookings.	Reserve the right to levy a charge for airport check-in.	N/A	Depending on route	Flight only bookings: n/a. Premium: 1 x 23kg.	Excess: SH/MH - £18 for 5kg (online). Sports equipment: from £20.	Short and Mid haul: light bites and drinks included. Long haul only: meal included.	Spelling mistakes can be corrected free of charge. Amendment fees – name / passenger / passenger type: £25. Date / flight time / duration change: 70-100% of fare.
United Airlines	22x35x56 cm and one personal item: 22x25x43 cm plus one personal item.	United States and Canada \$25 by phone, \$30 at a City Ticket Office and \$50 in person at the airport. Outside of the US and Canada charges may vary. No charge for tickets purchased through united.com.	Available for Premier Access customers From \$15 for all passengers except on Basic Economy	Available when purchasing most tickets, through Manage Reservations after purchasing the ticket or during check-in. Possibility to purchase extra legroom (except for Basic Economy passengers)	1X23kg free.	Bikes and other sporting equipment: \$150 - \$200 (certain sports equipment as well as overweight and oversized bag charges are calculated individually).	Beverages: included on all flights. Flights under 2 hours 20 min: no snacks available. Flights over 2 hours 20 min: 'all-in-one' snack bag Food included on all LH flights.	Spelling mistakes can be corrected free of charge, large mistakes must be substantiated e.g. marriage certificate.

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Virgin Atlantic	23x36x56cm cm and 10 kg.	No charge	Included in Premium fares.	Advance selection from £30.	Economy light fares are hand baggage only. Higher fares include 1 x 23kg bag.	2nd 23kg bag: £65 3rd bag + : £140 . Oversized: £200. Overweight: £65. Equipment can be carried as part of the inclusive luggage allowance.	Meals and refreshments are included.	Name change / mistakes corrected: free of charge (only if it's the same person travelling). Flight change fee: £30 - £150, fees may vary (Economy Light bookings are non-changeable)
Wizz Air	40 x 30 x 20 cm for all and additional trolley bag (55 x 40 x 23) for purchase with Wizz Priority passengers.	Airport check in €10 (booked online) €35 (airport)	€4 - €40.04 (online and call centre), €25.00 (airport)	Assigned seat: €4.00 - €32.00.	N/A	1 x10kg bag: €5.50 - €70.50 1 x 20kg bag: €7 – €91 1 x 32kg bag: €15.50 - €118.50. Baggage fee at the airport: €55 - €110 Sports equipment: €40 (online), €60 (airport). Excess baggage: €11 per kilo (airport).	Available to purchase on board.	Flight change fee: €30 – 40. Name change: €45, some misspellings are free. Missed departure fee: €70.