

Updated Baggage Policy Information



Information is current as of 3:00PM (CST) August 13

Due to additional carry-on baggage procedures issued by federal authorities, some airports may be experiencing heavy congestion. Please allow plenty of time for security screening.

Carry-On Baggage Restrictions - SUMMARY

Flights	New Policy	Electronic Devices
Within the U.S.*	No liquids, gels in carry-ons	Approved devices permitted
U.S.* to International (except U.K.)	No liquids, gels in carry-ons	Approved devices permitted
U.S.* to U.K.	No liquids, gels in carry-ons	Approved devices permitted
U.S.* to International with transit in U.K.	Carry-on items must be checked in the U.K., if not checked at the point of origin**	Electronic devices are permitted, but must be checked in the U.K.**
U.K. to U.S.*	Carry-on items must be checked	Electronic devices not permitted as carry-on
International to U.S.*(except UK)	No liquids, gels in carry-ons	Approved devices permitted
International to U.S.* with transit in U.K.	Carry-on items must be checked in the U.K., if not checked at the point of origin**	Electronic devices must be checked in the U.K.**

*U.S. includes the 50 United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

**Electronic devices must be checked-in at the airline's ticket counter outside the secure area, please allow plenty of time for this in order to avoid a delay in your travel.

All Flights Within The United States AND International Flights To/From The United States

No liquids or gels of any kind will be permitted to pass security checkpoints or in carry-on baggage. This includes all beverages, shampoo, suntan lotion, creams, tooth paste, hair gel, perfumes and other items of similar consistency.

All liquid and gel items must be placed in checked baggage only. Customers may carry-on approved electronic devices such as personal computers, electronic games, and cell phones, **except when traveling from or through the United Kingdom.**

Exception (for non U.K. flights):

Baby formula, baby food in small containers or breast milk if a baby or small child is traveling; prescription medicine with a name that matches the passenger's ticket; insulin (liquid medication for diabetic passengers limited to 8 ounces per container) and essential other non-prescription medicines (no more than 4 ounces). Duty free items for non-U.K. cities that include liquids or gels are allowed when delivered directly to the aircraft and/or immediately prior to boarding.

Passengers Transiting In The United Kingdom Only

All U.K. transiting passengers will be required to check any carry-on items they bring to the airport **regardless of origination.**

Passengers who have already departed the U.S. and will be connecting in the U.K. will not be allowed to use the transit area within U.K. airports and will be routed back to the ticket counters to check their carry-on luggage.

All Flights Departing From The United Kingdom

All carry-on baggage must be processed as checked baggage for all flights departing from airports in the United Kingdom (U.K.).

American Airlines will waive excess baggage charges through August 17, 2006, for those passengers who need to check their carry-on bags due to these new restrictions, **up to a maximum of two excess pieces.** All other baggage rules apply.

Nothing may be carried in passengers' pockets. Passengers may only take the following items through the airport security checkpoint, in a single transparent plastic bag:

- pocket size wallets and pocket size purses plus contents (money, credit cards, identity cards, etc. but not handbags or purses)
- travel documents essential for the journey (passports and travel tickets)
- prescription medicines and medical items sufficient and essential for the flight (a diabetic kit for example), except in liquid form unless verified as authentic.
- eye glasses and sunglasses, without cases
- contact lens cases, without bottles of solution
- for those traveling with an infant: baby food, milk (the contents of each bottle must be tasted by the accompanying passenger) and sanitary items sufficient and essential for the flight (wipes, creams, disposal bags)
- female sanitary items sufficient and essential for the flight, if unboxed
- tissues (unboxed) and/or handkerchiefs
- keys (but no electrical key fobs)

If an item does not appear in the list above it is NOT allowed. Additionally, no liquids, gels or other items of similar consistency are permitted to enter the sterile areas. This also includes liquids and gel products purchased as duty free. Non-liquid/gel items from duty free will be allowed as carry-on items, however.

All U.K. transiting passengers will be required to check any carry-ons they bring to the airport regardless of origination. Passengers who have already departed the US and will be connecting in the UK will not be allowed to use the transit area in the UK airports and will be routed back to the ticket counters to check their carry-on luggage.

Travel Change Policy

Due to newly-instituted baggage restrictions which have resulted in congestion at security checkpoints, American is offering you the convenience to change your travel as shown below.

The following options apply for customers traveling to any U.S. or international destination whose tickets were issued no later than August 9, 2006:

- You may change your origination travel date to travel as late as September 1, 2006
- You may request a refund in the form of a travel voucher for nonrefundable tickets
- If you are traveling on an AAdvantage award, we will refund the miles to the applicable account with no reinstatement fee, OR allow for a change of destination in the correct redemption inventory (applicable co-payments are refundable)

Under this policy, no change fee will apply for changes providing that your origination travel falls between August 10 and September 1, 2006 (with certain restrictions).

Obtain the most current information by accessing www.aa.com and www.tsa.gov

How every passenger can assist in security:

- Pack lightly, without clutter to facilitate easier screening
- Arrive at least two hours early at the airport
- Cooperate with TSA personnel at checkpoints and at all gate
- Be attentive and vigilant to any suspicious activity and report it to authorities