



AIRLINE FIREARMS CARRIAGE POLICIES

Every airline has a different policy regarding the carriage of firearms in checked baggage. Some allow multiple firearms in a gun case and others do not. Some require advance notice, including specific information about your firearm, others simply will accept the firearm upon check-in. Some charge a handling fee for firearms, others include it in your free baggage allowance.

While TSA in the United States may allow you to pack firearms and ammunition in the same bag or gun case, your airline or your connecting airline may not. Some airlines do not accept any firearms for carriage. Others will not transfer firearms to a different airline you may be connecting with.

For these reasons it is crucially important that you check the policies of each airline you are traveling with. Below is a list of airlines that accept firearms as baggage and links to the policies stipulated on their websites.

If your airline is not listed below, you will find their firearms carriage policies under the baggage policies or the terms and conditions sections of their website. Look for Sports Equipment, Special Baggage, Firearms or even Dangerous/Restricted Items.

Aegean Airlines – Largest airline of Greece and a regional carrier servicing 46 countries.

Fee for firearms: Yes. €50

Policy: <https://en.aegeanair.com/travel-information/baggage/special-baggage/>

Aer Lingus – National flag carrier of Ireland flying to 80 destinations across Europe, the US and North Africa.

Fee for firearms: Yes. €50/£40

Policy: Aer Lingus does not accept firearms on regional flights within Europe, but for other flights it will. <https://www.aerlingus.com/travel-information/baggage-information/sports-equipment/>

Aeroflot – Flagship carrier of Russia and the country's largest airline. Flies to over 130 countries across the world.

Fee for firearms: No. Included in free baggage allowance.

Policy: See Nonstandard Baggage at https://www.aeroflot.ru/us-en/information/preparation/luggage?_preferredLocale=us&_preferredLanguage=en#gtoc5

Aerolineas Argentinas – Argentina's flag carrier and largest airline. Flies domestically, across South America and to North America and Europe.

Fee for firearms: No

Policy: <https://www.aerolineas.com.ar/en-ar/equipaje/franquicia>

Aeromexico - Mexico's flag carrier, flying to 60 destinations internally and to South America, Central America, North America, Europe and Asia.

Fee for firearms: Yes. \$58 or \$47 if pre-paid.

Policy: Allows firearms transport within Mexico only. <https://www.aeromexico.com/en-us/travel-information/baggage/restricted-and-prohibited-items>

Air Austral - French airline, flying to 122 destinations across Europe, Africa and Asia.

Fee for firearms: No

Policy: Must submit a declaration form: https://www.air-austral.com/fileadmin/user_upload/documents/FN_996_Formulaire_de_declaration_pour_le_transport_d_armes_et_munitions__Modele.pdf

Air Canada – Canada's largest airline and its flag carrier. Flies to 185 destinations in North, Central and South America; Europe, Asia, Australia and the Middle East.

Fee for firearms: Yes. \$50 CAD/USD (plus applicable taxes).

Policy: You must register your firearm with an Air Canada agent within 24 hours of travel and submit a declaration form upon check-in.

<https://www.aircanada.com/us/en/aco/home/plan/baggage/special-items.html>

Air Europa – Spain's third largest carrier, flies to 45 destinations internally and around Europe, Africa, Middle East, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. €75

Policy: <https://www.aireuropa.com/en/flights/baggage#special>

Air France – France's flag carrier, flies to 200-destinations, including 90 countries across Europe, North and South America, Africa, Asia and the Middle East.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: Download and fill out the declaration form

(https://www.airfrance.us/US/en/common/guidevoyageur/pratique/bagage_equipement_sport_air_france.htm). Submit the form to an Air France booking agent or your travel agent no less than 48 hours prior to travel. Air France must approve carriage of your firearm before your flight. More information on packing and restrictions is available here:

<https://www.airfrance.us/US/en/common/guidevoyageur/pratique/produits-interdits-et-reglementes-airfrance.htm#6-weapons-and-ammunition>

Air New Zealand – New Zealand's national airline and flag carrier, flies to more than 50 destinations, including 15 countries in Oceania, Asia, Europe and North America.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: You must inform the airline at time of booking that you are traveling with a firearm and ammunition. <https://www.airnewzealand.com/dangerous-goods#firearms>

Air Serbia – National carrier of the Republic of Serbia, flies to numerous destinations in Europe, the Middle East, the Mediterranean and the US.

Fee for firearms: Charged as excess baggage depending on baggage allowance for your particular flight.

Policy: <https://www.airserbia.com/en-US/list-of-prohibited-items-in-baggage>

Alaska Airlines – Fifth-largest carrier in the United States, recently merged with Virgin America. Flies to over 100 destinations across the US, Canada, Mexico and Costa Rica.

Fee for firearms: No. But standard checked baggage, overweight, or oversize fees apply.

Policy: Will not transfer firearms and ammunition to another airline for a connecting flight. You will need to plan travel so that you have enough time to claim your bags and recheck them with your next carrier. <https://www.alaskaair.com/content/travel-info/baggage/special-baggage/transporting-firearms>

Alitalia – The national airline and flag carrier of Italy, flies to more than 100 destinations across Europe, Asia, the Middle East, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Rate is based on flight destination.

Policy: https://www.alitalia.com/en_us/fly-alitalia/baggage/special-baggage.html

Allegiant Air – An American low-cost carrier, flies to 105 mostly secondary airports in domestic destinations across 41 states.

Fee for firearms: All checked baggage and carry-ons are assessed fees.

Policy: <https://www.allegiantair.com/baggage-1>

American Airlines – An American carrier, also considered the world's largest airline, flies to 345 destinations across North and South America, Asia and Europe.

Fee for firearms: No, but all checked baggage, oversized baggage and overweight baggage fees apply.

Policy: <https://www.aa.com/i18n/travel-info/baggage/firearms-and-ammunition.jsp>

Asiana Airlines – One of South Korea's two major airlines, flies to 110 destinations in Asia, Europe, the Oceania and North America.

Fee for firearms: No. Regular checked baggage allowance and excess baggage fees apply.

Policy: Airline approval required prior to travel. <https://flyasiana.com/C/US/EN/contents/restricted-transport-items>

Austrian Airlines - A subsidiary of Lufthansa and Austria's national flag carrier, flies to 130 destinations, including 50 countries across Europe, Africa, the Middle East and North America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Rates depend on the route.

Policy: https://www.austrian.com/Info/Flying/sportbaggage.aspx?sc_lang=en&cc=US#footnote-9-SportEquipment%20table

Azerbaijan Airlines - The flag carrier and largest airline of Azerbaijan, replaced the Azerbaijani branch of Aeroflot and flies to 53 destinations in Asia, Europe and the US.

Fee for firearms: No. But fees for excess or oversize baggage apply.

Policy: <https://www.azal.az/en/information/baggage>

British Airways - One of the United Kingdom's largest airlines and also the country's flag carrier, flies to over 160 destinations across Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America and Oceania.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Each bag or case containing firearms or ammunition is subject to a £125 charge each way, payable at check-in, plus applicable local service fees to cover the cost of specialist firearms and ammunition handling partner.

Policy: <https://www.britishairways.com/en-us/information/baggage-essentials/liquids-and-restrictions#firearms>

Brussels Airlines - Belgium's flag carrier, flies to 75 destinations across Europe, Africa, Asia and North America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. €50/CHF60/\$60 within Europe and for €100/CHF120/\$130 on intercontinental flights.

Policy: <https://www.brusselsairlines.com/en-be/practical-information/travel-info/before-the-flight/luggage-info/music-and-sports/default.aspx>

Cathay Pacific – Hong Kong's largest airline, flies to 170 destinations in 42 countries in Asia, Europe, Oceania, Africa and North America.

Fee for firearms: No. But oversize baggage fees apply.

Policy: https://www.cathaypacific.com/cx/en_US/travel-information/baggage/sports-equipment.html

Condor – A German leisure carrier flying to 90 destinations, including 38 countries in Europe, Africa, Asia, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Pay online before travel as rate increases significantly when paid at the airport.

Policy: <https://www.condor.com/us/flight-preparation/baggage-and-animals/sports-equipment-and-other-baggage/sports-equipment.jsp>

Copa Airlines – Panama's flag carrier, flies to 75 destinations in 30 countries across South, Central and North America.

Fee for firearms: No. Overweight and oversize baggage fees may apply.

Policy: <https://www.copaair.com/en/web/us/music-instruments-equipment>

Croatian Airlines – The flag carrier for the Republic of Croatia, flies to 40 destinations across 23 European countries.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: <https://www.croatiaairlines.com/Travel-info/Baggage/Special-baggage>

Delta Air Lines – World's oldest operating airline, based in the US and flies to 335 destinations across North and South America, Europe, Africa, Asia and Oceania.

Fee for firearms: No. But only one gun case is included in your baggage allowance.

Policy: https://www.delta.com/content/www/en_US/traveling-with-us/baggage/before-your-trip/special-items.html

easyJet – A British low-cost carrier and now the largest airlines in the United Kingdom, flies to 135 destinations in Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: <https://www.easyjet.com/en/help/baggage/sports-equipment>

Edelweiss Air – Switzerland's leading leisure travel airline, flies to over 40 destinations.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: <https://www.flyedelweiss.com/EN/inform/services/baggage/Pages/sports-equipment.aspx>

Emirates – Based in the Dubai, United Arab Emirates, this is the largest airline in the Middle East, flies to 165 destinations in 70 countries around the world.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: Hunters flying through Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE), must obtain special clearance from UAE Customs and the Ministry of Defense. It is recommendable that you use a travel agent who specializes in hunting travel to assist you with this.

<https://www.emirates.com/us/english/help/faq/214958/baggage-allowances-for-sports-equipment>

Ethiopian Airlines – Ethiopia's flag carrier, flies to 110 destinations across Africa, the Middle East, Europe, Asia and North and South America.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: See Restricted Articles on Ethiopian Airlines Flights at

<https://www.ethiopianairlines.com/AA/EN/information/essential/conditions-of-carriage>

Eurowings – One of the top low-cost airlines in Europe, based in Germany and flies to 130 destinations throughout Europe, North America, Southeast Asia and to Mauritius.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Charge varies with route.

Policy: Must call airline for approval before booking.

https://www.eurowings.com/en/information/services/help/topics/luggage-and-hand-luggage.html#id_sportgepaeck

Finnair – Finland's largest airline and flag carrier and one of the world's oldest airlines, fly to 90 destinations in Europe, Africa, Asia, the Middle East, North America and the Caribbean.

Fee for firearms: Yes. €25 per firearm case.

Policy: <https://www.finnair.com/us/gb/information-services/baggage/sports-equipment/other-sports-equipment>

FlyBe – One of Europe's largest regional airlines, flies to 60 destinations in Europe.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Rates vary by sector and route.

Policy: <https://www.flybe.com/baggage/exceptional-baggage/>

Frontier – A low-cost US carrier, flies to 55 destinations in the US and Mexico.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: <https://www.flyfrontier.com/travel/travel-info/bag-options/>

Hawaiian Airlines – The premiere airline for travel to the Hawaiian Islands, flies between Hawaiian Islands and the Continental US, Australia, China, New Zealand, South Korea and several other island countries.

Fee for firearms: Subject to baggage allowance.

Policy: <https://www.hawaiianairlines.com/legal/domestic-contract-of-carriage/019-conditions-and-charges-for-acceptance-of-special-items>

Iberia – Spain's largest airline and its flag carrier, serving 110 destinations in Europe, Africa, the Middle east, Asia, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. €75 or \$75.

Policy: Requires an authorization from the Airport Weapons Intervention Department. A travel agent specializing in hunting travel should be consulted. <https://www.iberia.com/us/luggage/special/>

Icelandair – Iceland’s main airline, flies to 40 destinations in Europe and North America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Charges vary depending on route.

Policy: <https://www.icelandair.com/support/baggage/restrictions/>

jetBlue – New York-based low-cost carrier, serving 95 destinations in the Caribbean, Mexico and South America.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: [http://help.jetblue.com/SRVS/CGI-BIN/webisapi.dll?New,Kb=askBlue,case=obj\(2236\)#s8](http://help.jetblue.com/SRVS/CGI-BIN/webisapi.dll?New,Kb=askBlue,case=obj(2236)#s8)

Jetstar – An Australian low-cost carrier and wholly owned subsidiary of Qantas, flies to 35 destinations, mostly domestic and to countries in Oceania/Pacific Rim and Asia, also to the US.

Fee for firearms: No. But may not be part of baggage allowance depending on fare booked.

Policy: Varies according to route. <https://www.jetstar.com/us/en/help/articles/dangerous-goods>

Also, <http://www.qantas.com/travel/airlines/dangerous-goods/global/en#firearms>

Kenya Airways – Kenya’s flag carrier, servicing 60 destinations in Africa, the Middle East, Europe and Asia.

Fee for firearms: No. But excess baggage fees may apply.

Policy: See 8.3 Items Unacceptable as Baggage at <https://www.kenya-airways.com/prepare-for-travel/baggage-information/condition-of-carriage/en/>

KLM – Flag carrier of the Netherlands, services 130 destinations in 69 countries across Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: No. But subject to baggage allowance.

Policy: Advance reservations for carriage of firearms is required as well as a transit permit from Dutch Customs. Applications should be made at least 8 weeks in advance.

https://www.klm.com/travel/us_en/prepare_for_travel/baggage/exceptional_baggage/index.htm#p10

Korean Air – National airline of South Korea, flies to 135 destinations in Asia, Oceania, the Middle East, Europe, Africa, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: https://www.koreanair.com/content/koreanair/global/en/traveling/baggage-services.html#_

LATAM Airlines – The Brazilian company of LATAM Airlines Group, formerly known as TAM but which merged with LAN Airlines in 2012. It is the largest airline in South America and serves over 115 destinations across that continent, and North America, Europe, Asia, Oceania and the Middle East.

Fee for firearms: No. Subject to baggage allowances.

Policy: https://www.latam.com/en_us/travel-information/baggage/restricted-items/ and

https://www.latam.com/en_us/travel-information/baggage/oversized-baggage-policy/

LOT Polish Airlines – Poland’s flag carrier and one of the world’s oldest airlines, flies to 60 destinations in Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and North America.

Fee for firearms: No. Included in baggage allowance.

Policy: <https://www.lot.com/us/en/weapons>

Lufthansa – A German carrier and the largest airline in Europe, servicing 220 destinations across Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Asia, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: No. Included in baggage allowance.

Policy: Sports baggage must be registered no later than 24 hours before departure. See 8.3.2 at <https://www.lufthansa.com/cmn/en/terms-and-conditions-1#8>

Norwegian Air Shuttle – A low-cost carrier and the second-largest airline in Scandinavia, serves 125 destinations in Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and North America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Varies according to route.

Policy: <https://www.norwegian.com/us/travel-info/baggage/sports-equipment/>

Pakistan International Airlines – The national flag carrier of Pakistan, flies to 29 destinations domestically and across Asia, Europe and North America.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: See item 8.4 at <https://cms.piac.aero/conditions-of-carriage#article1>

Pegasus Airlines – Turkey's second-largest airline. Also a low-cost airline, flies 103 destinations domestically and across Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Special Services fee applies and varies with route.

Policy: See Special Services 9.4.3 and 9.4.4 at <https://www.flypgs.com/en/useful-info/info-about-flights/general-rules#2089>

Porter – Regional Canadian carrier, flies to 15 domestic destinations and nine US destinations.

Fee for firearms: Yes. \$50, plus taxes.

Policy: <https://www.flyporter.com/en-ca/travel-information/baggage/sporting-equipment>

Qantas – Australia's iconic airline, flies to more than 1,000 destinations around the world.

Fee for firearms: No.

Policy: <https://www.qantas.com/travel/airlines/dangerous-goods/global/en#firearms>

Qatar Airways – Flag carrier of Qatar, services 150 destinations in Europe, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, North and South America, Oceania.

Fee for firearms: No. Included with free baggage allowance.

Policy: Airline notification and approval required before departure date.

<https://www.qatarairways.com/en-us/baggage/special-items.html>

Regional Express – Australian regional carrier serving 55 domestic destinations.

Fee for firearms: No. But overweight and additional baggage fees apply.

Policy: <http://www.rex.com.au/FlightInfo/firearms.aspx>

Scandinavian Airlines (SAS) – Flag carrier of Denmark, Norway and Sweden, flies to 100 destinations in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and North America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Charges vary according to route.

Policy: Requires notification and approval from airline more than 24 hours prior to departure.

<https://www.flysas.com/us-en/travel-info/baggage/#/special>

South African Airways (SA) – South Africa’s flag carrier and its largest airline, flies to over 40 destinations in Africa, Europe, Asia, Oceania, North America and South America.

Fee for firearms: No. One rifle case is included in standard free baggage allowances.

Policy: <https://www.flysaa.com/manage-fly/baggage/checked-baggage/special-baggage>

Southwest Airlines – Largest low-cost carrier in the world, headquartered in Dallas, Texas, flies to 41 US states and to Mexico and several Caribbean islands.

Fee for firearms: No. Included in standard baggage allowance.

Policy: https://www.southwest.com/html/customer-service/baggage/special-luggage-pol.html#baggage_special_luggage_pol_tab_list_tab_16

Spirit Airlines – Low-cost US carrier, flies to 50 destinations in the US, Mexico, Central and South America.

Fee for firearms: No. But Spirit charges for every checked bag.

Policy: <https://customersupport.spirit.com/hc/en-us/articles/202096486-What-items-have-special-restrictions->

Sun Country Airlines – Based in Minnesota, flies to 35 destinations in the US, Mexico and several Caribbean islands.

Fee for firearms: No. But oversize and overweight charges apply.

Policy: <https://www.suncountry.com/Fly/Baggage/Special-Items.html#firearms>

Swiss International Air Lines – Flag carrier of Switzerland, flies to more than 100 destinations in 46 countries across Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Asia, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: Yes, depending on departure point and destination. Charges vary.

Policy: Advance notice to the airline is required.

<https://www.swiss.com/us/EN/prepare/baggage/special-baggage#t-page=pane2>

TAP Air Portugal – Portugal’s flag carrier, flies to 75 destinations in Europe, Africa, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. € 50.

Policy: <https://www.flytap.com/en-us/baggage/special-baggage/firearms-and-ammunition>

Thomas Cook Airlines – British charter carrier, services 95 destinations in Europe, Africa, Asia, North America and the Caribbean.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Rate depends on route.

Policy: Pre-booking for firearms is required before departure date.

<https://www.thomascookairlines.com/en/book-plan/extras/baggage-allowance/sports-and-other-baggage.jsp>

TUIfly – A German airline catering to leisure travelers, flies to 40 destinations in Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

Fee for firearms: No. But additional baggage fee applies.

Policy: <https://www.tuifly.com/en/service/sondergepaek.html>

Turkish Airlines – Turkey’s flag carrier, services 280 destinations in 110 countries in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, Africa, North and South America.

Fee for firearms: Yes, on international flights. Rate varies by route.

Policy: <https://www.turkishairlines.com/en-us/any-questions/sports-equipment/index.html>

Ukraine International (UIA) – Ukraine’s flag carrier, flies to 80 destinations in Europe, Asia the Middle East and the United States.

Fee for firearms: Yes. €50

Policy: Airline requires advance notice no later than 48 hours prior to departure date.

<https://www.flyuia.com/us/en/information/baggage/firearms>

United Airlines – US airline and one of the oldest carriers in the world, services 300 destinations across North and South America, Europe, Asia and Oceania.

Fee for firearms: No. Regular baggage fees apply.

Policy: <https://www.united.com/web/en-us/content/travel/baggage/sports.aspx?POS=US>

Virgin Atlantic – UK-based airline, flies to 30 destinations across Europe, Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and North America.

Fee for firearms: No. Included as part of regular baggage allowance.

Policy: <https://www.virginatlantic.com/gb/en/travel-information/baggage-allowance/sports-equipment.html>

Virgin Australia – Australia’s second largest full-service airline with a combined network of more than 450 destinations across Australia, Africa, Asia, Oceania, Europe the Middle East and North America.

Fee for firearms: No. Included as part of regular baggage allowance.

Policy: <https://www.virginaustralia.com/au/en/plan/baggage/oversized-fragile-items/>

WestJet – Canada’s second-largest carrier, flies to 107 destinations in the US, Mexico, Central America and Europe.

Fee for firearms: No. But standard fees for additional baggage apply.

Policy: <https://www.westjet.com/en-ca/travel-info/baggage/fishing-hunting>

Wow air – An Icelandic low-cost carrier, servicing 30 destinations in Europe and North America.

Fee for firearms: Yes. Rates depend on route.

Policy: <https://wowair.us/travel-info/packing-conditions/>