

How much does United Airlines charge for a pet?

Traveling with your pet on United Airlines is simple, but it's important to understand the guidelines and charges before booking. United allows pets to travel **in-cabin**

📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]**, as **checked baggage**, or **via United Cargo**, depending on the size and type of pet.

📞 **For assistance or booking inquiries, contact United Pet Travel Desk at** 📞
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How much does it cost to take a pet on United?

United's carry-on pet fee is \$150 one-way 📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]** for tickets issued on or after April 8, 2025, for travel to the U.S., 📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]** Canada, or Puerto Rico, and \$200 for most international destinations. A lower fee of \$95 applied for tickets issued before April 8, 2025, for domestic flights. The pet fee for travel to and from Brazil is also subject to change 📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]**, with the post-April 8, 2025, fee being \$200. Fees are charged each way, and space is limited 📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]**, so it's essential to call United Reservations to book in advance.

Understanding United's Pet Policy

What Types of Pets Can Fly?

United Airlines welcomes pets on their flights, but with specific restrictions. The airline allows call 📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]** small, vaccinated dogs and cats to travel in the cabin with passengers. This is an important distinction—pets are not permitted in cargo holds or checked baggage. Your pet must remain with you in the cabin for the entire flight duration.

If you're unsure about whether your specific pet qualifies or have concerns about your animal's health status, calling 📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]** can provide you with immediate clarification from a United representative.

Pet Health Requirements call 📞 **[+1-862-(225)-1913]**

Before booking your pet's flight, ensure that:

Your pet is up-to-date on vaccinations

Your pet is in good health and fit to fly

You have proper documentation of vaccinations

Your pet has a valid health certificate (recommended)

United Pet Fee Breakdown

Standard Domestic Flights

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For example:

Round-trip flight with one pet: \$250 (\$125 each way)

One-way flight with one pet: \$125

Round-trip flight with two pets: \$500 (\$125 per pet, each way)

Inter-Island Hawaiian Flights

For flights between Hawaiian islands, call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] the fee structure differs significantly. The pet fee is \$35 each way for flights between Hawaiian islands. This reduced rate makes it more affordable for pet owners traveling within Hawaii.

Example Hawaiian routing:

Round-trip between Honolulu and Maui with one pet: \$70 (\$35 each way)

One-way flight between islands with one pet: \$35

Important Pricing Note

These fees are per pet carrier, not per individual pet. call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] However, most airlines restrict pets to one per carrier for safety and comfort reasons.

In-Cabin Carrier Requirements

Size and Specifications

The pet must be in an in-cabin carrier that fits under the seat. This is a non-negotiable requirement for United Airlines. call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] Your pet cannot travel loose in the cabin, and the carrier must meet specific dimensions.

If you're unsure whether your carrier meets United's specifications, contacting ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] can help you verify dimensions before your flight.

Approved Carrier Materials

Soft-sided carriers with mesh or fabric panels

Hard-sided carriers with ventilation holes

Carriers with secure closures and handles

Carriers designed specifically for airline travel

Booking Your Pet's Flight

How to Add Your Pet

Start your booking process on United.com

Select your flight and number of passengers

Look for the "Add Pet" or pet-related option during booking

Enter your pet's information and carrier type

Proceed to payment to include the pet fee

Important Booking Information

Pets can only be added during the initial booking process

You cannot add a pet to an existing reservation through the website

You may need to call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] to modify an existing reservation to include a pet

United allows a maximum of one pet per passenger (one pet per seat)

Pre-Flight Preparation and Tips

Before Your Travel Date

Update Vaccinations: Ensure your pet's vaccinations are current call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Health Certificate: Obtain a veterinary health certificate call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] within 10 days of travel

ID Tag: Attach an ID tag to your pet's collar with your contact information

Microchip: Consider having your pet microchipped for added security

Carrier Familiarization: Allow your pet to get comfortable with the carrier before the flight

At the Airport

Arrive at least 2 hours early for domestic flights

Have your pet's vaccination records readily available

Keep your pet in the carrier while in the terminal

Do not let your pet out of the carrier during security screening

Inform TSA and United staff that you're traveling with a pet

During the Flight call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Keep your pet in the carrier for the entire flight

Do not attempt to remove your pet from the carrier during the flight

Speak to a flight attendant if your pet shows signs of stress

Ensure proper ventilation around the carrier

Bring comfort items like a favorite blanket or toy

What Your Pet Fee Includes call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Coverage

The pet fee covers:

Transportation of your pet in the cabin

Access to the pressurized cabin environment

Basic handling and care during the flight

Safety oversight by flight crew members

What's NOT Included call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

The pet fee does NOT cover:

Food or water for your pet (bring your own)

Waste management supplies (bring pads or bags)

Entertainment or comfort items (bring toys)

Pet sitting or care during layovers

Travel insurance for your pet

Special Circumstances and Considerations

Multi-Leg Journeys

If your trip involves multiple flights:

Each flight segment requires the pet fee

A 2-hour layover within the same city typically counts as a single booking

Longer layovers may require additional considerations

Contact ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] for complex routing questions

Connecting Flights

Your pet remains with you during layovers (cannot be checked through)

You're responsible for your pet between flights

Plan adequate time between connections for pet comfort

Have a designated place in the terminal for your pet to relieve itself

Pet-Specific Health Concerns call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Certain health conditions may prevent safe air travel:

Respiratory issues (especially in flat-faced breeds)

Heart conditions

Recent surgery or illness

Extreme obesity or underweight conditions

Advanced age with mobility issues

Consult your veterinarian before booking if your pet has any health concerns. If you need to discuss special circumstances, call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913].

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I Travel with Multiple Pets?

Only one pet per passenger is allowed. So if you're traveling alone, you can call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] bring one pet. If there are two passengers, you could have two pets (one per passenger).

Are Service Animals Subject to Pet Fees?

No. Legitimate service animals fly for free and are not subject to pet fees. Emotional support animals, however, are subject to pet fees.

What if My Pet Gets Sick During the Flight?

Inform a flight attendant immediately. United has procedures in call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] place for medical emergencies involving pets. Make sure you have contact information for veterinary services at your destination.

Can I Buy a Pet Ticket Online?

Yes, pet tickets can be purchased during the online booking process. If you need assistance, contact ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913].

What Happens if I Don't Have Proper Documentation?

United may refuse to allow your call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] pet to fly without proper documentation. Always ensure you have vaccination records before arriving at the airport.

Cost Comparison Examples

Sample Trip Costs Breeding or Delivery: Pregnant pets or those in active labor cannot fly

Behavioral Standards: Your pet must not disrupt other passengers

United's Right to Refuse

United reserves the right to refuse pet travel if:

The pet appears ill or injured call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

The carrier doesn't meet specifications call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

The pet is not properly vaccinated call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

The pet exhibits aggressive behavior call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

The pet is not properly identified or documented call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Money-Saving Tips

Ways to Reduce Pet Travel Costs

Book Direct Flights: Avoid connecting flights that require additional call

☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] pet fees

Travel During Off-Peak Times: Prices may be lower, and flights less crowded

Plan Strategically: Consider whether your pet truly needs to fly or if pet-sitting is call

☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] a better option

Use Companion Pass Benefits: If you have a United Companion Pass, pets can travel with both passengers

Look for Promotions: Occasionally United offers discounts on call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] pet travel

Alternative Transportation Options call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

If United's pet fees seem high, consider:

Professional Pet Transport Services: Specialized companies for long-distance pet travel

Driving: More cost-effective for shorter distances

Pet-Sitting Services: Leave your pet home with professional care

Pet Boarding Facilities: Temporary care while you travel

Preparing Your Pet for Air Travel Anxiety

Pre-Travel Training

Carrier Training: Practice having your pet spend time in the carrier at home

Noise Desensitization: Expose your pet to airplane sounds (available online)

Confinement Practice: Gradually increase time your pet spends confined

Calming Techniques: Consult your vet about calming supplements

Day-of-Flight Tips

Avoid feeding your pet a large meal before the flight

Take your pet outside for a bathroom break before boarding

Bring water and a collapsible bowl

Keep your pet calm during the boarding process

Consider natural calming products recommended by your vet

Documentation Checklist

Before traveling with your pet on United, ensure you have:

Current vaccination records call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Health certificate from your veterinarian call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

ID tag with contact information call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Microchip registration information call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Recent photo of your pet (in case of loss) call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Pet first aid kit call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Familiar food and water supplies call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Favorite comfort items call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Contact information for veterinarians at your destination call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

Contacting United Airlines

Customer Service

For any questions about pet policies, fees, or bookings, you can reach United Airlines at: ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913]

When calling, have the following information ready:

Your confirmation number (if already booked)

Your pet's age, breed, and weight

Carrier dimensions

Specific questions about your trip

Calling ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] can help you clarify any uncertainties before your trip and ensure everything is arranged properly.

Conclusion

Traveling with your pet on United Airlines is possible and relatively straightforward when you understand the requirements and costs. call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] United's carry-on pet fee is \$150 one-way ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] for tickets issued on or after April 8, 2025, for travel to the U.S., ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] Canada, or Puerto Rico, and \$200 for most international destinations. A lower fee of \$95 applied for tickets issued before April 8, 2025, for domestic flights. The pet fee for travel to and from Brazil is also subject to change ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913], with the post-April 8, 2025, fee being \$200. Fees are charged each way, and space is limited ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913], so it's essential to call United Reservations to book in advance.

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Whether you're relocating, taking a vacation, or visiting family, United makes it call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] possible to bring your pet along. Just remember to book in advance, confirm all requirements, and don't hesitate to call ☎[+1-862-(225)-1913] if you have any questions about your specific situation.

