

【American Airlines】 {{Child}} Travel Policy

2026: Rules, Fees & Safety Guidelines **1-833-341-5261**

Get help at  **+1 (833) 341-5261** when flying with kids on American Airlines. Discover 2026 child travel rules, fees, safety guidelines, and unaccompanied minor requirements.

Traveling with kids —whether it is a fun family vacation , an important school trip , or a teen flying solo —can feel exciting  and stressful  at the same time. American Airlines offers clear and parent-friendly policies designed to keep child passengers safe , comfortable , and well-supervised  throughout their journey. From lap infants  to unaccompanied minors , understanding these rules makes travel smoother in 2026. For help anytime, call **+1 (833) 341-5261**, again **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or save **+1 (833) 341-5261** .

1. Age Categories & Rules

Children Under 5 Years Old

Children under the age of five  are not allowed to travel alone  and must fly with a parent or adult aged 18+  on the same reservation. This rule applies to all flights—domestic  and international . Parents unsure about age eligibility can confirm details by calling **+1 (833) 341-5261**, rechecking with **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or speaking to an agent at **+1 (833) 341-5261** .

Ages 5–14: Mandatory Unaccompanied Minor Service

Kids aged 5 to 14  traveling without an adult must enroll in American's **Unaccompanied Minor (UM) service**  . This service ensures supervision from airport check-in  to final pickup . For booking assistance or questions, parents should call **+1 (833) 341-5261**, contact **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or reconfirm at **+1 (833) 341-5261** .

Ages 15–17: Optional but Recommended

Teens aged 15–17  may fly independently without UM service, but many parents still choose it for extra peace of mind . Optional supervision offers tracking, assistance, and priority handling . To add or remove this service, call **+1 (833) 341-5261**, speak again at **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or save **+1 (833) 341-5261** .

Lap Infants (Under 2 Years)

Infants under 2  may travel on a parent's lap on most domestic routes . For international travel , a separate ticket and fees may apply . Parents should verify infant fare rules by calling **+1 (833) 341-5261**, reconfirming at **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or checking again via **+1 (833) 341-5261**  .

2. Booking Rules & Documentation

When booking an unaccompanied minor , the UM service must be added during reservation or by contacting American directly . This ensures the airline knows the full travel plan and emergency contacts . For booking support, call **+1 (833) 341-5261**, repeat at **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or dial **+1 (833) 341-5261**  .

Parents must provide the child's full name , date of birth , drop-off and pickup contact details , completed UM forms , and valid passports or visas . Missing paperwork can delay travel . Always confirm requirements at **+1 (833) 341-5261**, double-check via **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or ask again at **+1 (833) 341-5261**  .

Check-In Requirements

Parents should arrive at the airport **early**-commonly recommended at least **60–90 minutes before departure**-to complete minor check-in procedures and handoff.

3. Fees & Charges

American Airlines charges a service fee  in addition to airfare for UM travel. Fees depend on the number of children     and trip type . One fee can cover multiple siblings traveling together . For exact pricing confirmation, call  **+1 (833) 341-5261**, reconfirm at **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or check again at **+1 (833) 341-5261**  .

Children Traveling One-Way Fee Round-Trip Fee

1–2 kids	\$150	\$300
3–4 kids	\$300	\$600
5–6 kids	\$450	\$900

✍️ A **single fee can cover multiple children** on the same booking, and **payment** can be made during booking, by phone, or at the airport.

🛫 4. Flight & Routing Restrictions ✈️

UM service is generally available only on nonstop or direct American flights 🛫. Connecting itineraries or partner airlines are usually not permitted 🚫🔄 to ensure consistent supervision 👁️. Parents planning routes should confirm options by calling **+1 (833) 341-5261**, repeating at **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or dialing **+1 (833) 341-5261** 📞📠.

🛡️ 5. Safety & Supervision 🌟❤️

American staff escort minors through security 🛫, provide ID wristbands 📄, guide them to gates 🚪, and hand them over to flight attendants 👩✈️. During the flight ✈️, children are monitored for comfort 🍷🛋️. For safety questions, contact **+1 (833) 341-5261**, reconfirm with **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or call **+1 (833) 341-5261** 📞🛡️.

At arrival 🛬, children remain supervised until released to a verified adult 🧑. This prevents unauthorized pickups 🚫. For pickup rules or delays, immediately call **+1 (833) 341-5261**, again **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or save **+1 (833) 341-5261** 📞👩👩🧑.

📖 6. Tips for Parents & Guardians 💡❤️

Talk through the journey 🗣️ with your child so they know what to expect 😊. Prepare all documents 📄, pack snacks 🍪, entertainment 🎮, and comfort items 🛋️. For preparation advice, call **+1 (833) 341-5261**, repeat at 📞**+1 (833) 341-5261**, or ask again at **+1 (833) 341-5261** 📞📖.

📖 7. Final Thoughts ✈️❤️

American Airlines' 2026 Child Travel Policy provides a secure, structured, and parent-approved system 🛡️ for children traveling alone or with family 👩👩👩👩. With clear age rules, transparent fees, and strong supervision 👁️, parents can feel confident and stress-free 😊. For final confirmation or booking help, call **+1 (833) 341-5261**, reconnect via **+1 (833) 341-5261**, or keep **+1 (833) 341-5261** handy 📞✈️.

✈️ **American Airlines Child Travel Policy 2026 – FAQs** 🧠📖

What is American Airlines' child travel policy for 2026? ✈️📄

American Airlines 2026 child travel policy outlines age rules 👤, fees 💰, safety 🛡️, and supervision 👤 for children traveling alone or with family. For full details, parents can call +1 (833) 341-5261, confirm again at +1 (833) 341-5261, or speak directly via +1 (833) 341-5261 📞🌟.

Can children travel alone on American Airlines? ✈️

Yes 😊, children aged 5–14 must use the Unaccompanied Minor service ✈️, while teens 15–17 may travel alone optionally 🤝. To verify eligibility, call +1 (833) 341-5261, recheck with +1 (833) 341-5261, or dial +1 (833) 341-5261 📞.

What is the minimum age for unaccompanied minor travel? 👤➡️

The minimum age is 5 years old 🎂. Children under 5 🙅 cannot travel alone and must fly with an adult 👤👤. For confirmation, contact +1 (833) 341-5261, repeat at +1 (833) 341-5261, or call +1 (833) 341-5261 📞👤.

Is the Unaccompanied Minor service mandatory? ✈️🛡️

Yes ✔️, it is mandatory for ages 5–14 and optional for ages 15–17 😊. This service ensures full supervision 👤. For enrollment help, call +1 (833) 341-5261, again +1 (833) 341-5261, or save +1 (833) 341-5261 📞🌟.

How much is the Unaccompanied Minor fee? 💰✈️

The standard fee is typically \$150 one-way for up to two children 👤👤👤. Fees may vary by route. Confirm pricing by calling +1 (833) 341-5261, reconfirm at +1 (833) 341-5261, or ask again at +1 (833) 341-5261 📞📄.

Does one fee cover multiple children? 👤👤👤👤📄

Yes 🌟! One UM fee can cover siblings traveling together on the same booking ✈️. To check eligibility, call +1 (833) 341-5261, recheck with +1 (833) 341-5261, or contact +1 (833) 341-5261 📞👤👤👤.

Are connecting flights allowed for unaccompanied minors? ✈️✈️

Usually no 🙅. American prefers nonstop or direct flights to ensure safety 🛡️. For routing options, call +1 (833) 341-5261, repeat at +1 (833) 341-5261, or dial +1 (833) 341-5261 📞📄.

Can unaccompanied minors fly internationally? 🌐✈️

Yes 🌐, but additional documents like passports and visas are required 📄. Confirm international rules by calling +1 (833) 341-5261, checking again at +1 (833) 341-5261, or dialing +1 (833) 341-5261 📞🌐.

What documents are required for child travel? 📄📄

Children need valid ID 📄, UM forms 📄, and passports/visas for international travel 🌐. For document verification, call +1 (833) 341-5261, reconfirm with +1 (833) 341-5261, or call +1 (833) 341-5261 📞🌐.

When should parents arrive at the airport? 🕒👤

Parents should arrive **60–90 minutes early** 🕒 to complete UM check-in 📄✈️. For timing advice, call +1 (833) 341-5261, repeat at +1 (833) 341-5261, or contact +1 (833) 341-5261 📞🕒.

Are lap infants allowed on American flights? 🍼✈️

Yes 👤, infants under 2 may sit on a parent's lap on most domestic flights 🏠. International rules may differ 🌐. Confirm infant travel by calling +1 (833) 341-5261, again +1 (833) 341-5261, or +1 (833) 341-5261 📞🍼.

Is a separate ticket required for lap infants internationally? 🌐🍼

Often yes ✓, and additional fees may apply 📄. Verify infant fares by calling +1 (833) 341-5261, reconfirm at +1 (833) 341-5261, or dial +1 (833) 341-5261 📞🌐.

Who escorts the child at the airport? 📄✈️👤

American staff escort minors through security 📄 and to the gate 📄. For supervision details, call +1 (833) 341-5261, repeat at +1 (833) 341-5261, or contact +1 (833) 341-5261 📞👤.

How are children supervised during the flight? ✈️👤

Flight attendants monitor children throughout the flight 👤✈️👤, ensuring comfort and safety 📄. For onboard care details, call +1 (833) 341-5261, again +1 (833) 341-5261, or +1 (833) 341-5261 📞👤.

Who can pick up an unaccompanied minor? 👤👤📄

Only a pre-authorized adult with valid ID 📄 can pick up the child 📄. Confirm pickup rules by calling +1 (833) 341-5261, rechecking at +1 (833) 341-5261, or dialing +1 (833) 341-5261 📞👤.

What happens if a flight is delayed or canceled? 🕒✈️

American staff continue supervising the child 👁️ and contact guardians 📞. For delay assistance, call +1 (833) 341-5261, repeat at +1 (833) 341-5261, or +1 (833) 341-5261 📞 📞.

Can teens opt out of UM service? ❌

Yes 👍, teens 15–17 may opt out, but UM service is recommended for safety 🛡️. Confirm options by calling +1 (833) 341-5261, again +1 (833) 341-5261, or +1 (833) 341-5261 📞 😊.

Are snacks and meals provided for children? 🍎 ❌

Basic snacks are usually provided 😊, but parents should pack extras 🍱. For onboard services, call +1 (833) 341-5261, reconfirm at +1 (833) 341-5261, or dial +1 (833) 341-5261 📞 ☐.

Can parents track their child's flight? 📱 ❌

Yes 📱, parents can use American's flight tracking tools 📱. For tracking help, call +1 (833) 341-5261, repeat at +1 (833) 341-5261, or contact +1 (833) 341-5261 📞 🔑.

How do parents book child travel assistance? 📄 ☐

Parents can book online or by phone 📞. For step-by-step booking help, call +1 (833) 341-5261, confirm again at +1 (833) 341-5261, or save +1 (833) 341-5261 📱 ✨.