

REMINDER: Implementation of new baggage policy for British Airways World Traveller customers travelling to/from USA, Canada, Bermuda, Mexico, Argentina and the Caribbean and new sporting equipment policy for all routes - 7 October

British Airways will introduce the changes to the baggage policy announced in July on 7 October.

The key changes are:

- Harmonisation of BA's World Traveller allowance on the majority of routes, meaning that customers travelling to and from the USA, Canada, Bermuda, Mexico, Argentina, and the Caribbean will now have a one bag allowance of up to 23kgs
- Sporting equipment will be accepted free of charge only as part of the normal cabin baggage allowance
- Gold and Silver Executive Club members will have a two-bag allowance of up to 23kgs each on all routes worldwide when they travel in the World Traveller and Euro Travellers cabins or on UK Domestic services
- Gold and Silver Executive Club members will continue to be exempt from the Heavy Bag Charge

Changes to baggage charges:

- A reduction in the first extra bag charge from £90 each way to £40 each way on long haul routes, as an introductory offer
- Heavy bag charge for bags between 23kgs and 32kgs to increase to £30 each way
- Removal of the Special Bag Charge
- Firearms charge to increase to £50 each way
- A reduction in the dollar charge for short haul bags to \$50 to check in bags at the airport and \$40 online
- Extra bags on flights to/from Algiers and Tripoli will be charged the long haul extra bag rate
- Non-motorised bikes exceeding the new 190cm maximum height will be accepted

Exceptions to the new policy:

The new World Traveller allowance on flights to and from the Americas and Caribbean will apply to all new bookings from 7 October. Anyone booked before this date on affected routes will retain their two-bag allowance.

The new sporting equipment policy applies to all new bookings from 31 July for travel after 7 October.

Customers who were booked and ticketed prior to 31 July will be entitled to carry one item of sporting equipment, in addition to their normal free cabin allowance, in line with old policy.

Customers flying to/from Brazil, Nigeria, Kenya, Ghana and connecting customers travelling to/from India and the USA will continue to have a two bag allowance.

The checked baggage allowance for World Traveller Plus, Club Europe, Club World and First remains unaffected.

Changes to other carriers policies:

Since BA announced changes to their baggage policy, other airlines have announced changes to their economy baggage policies between the USA and Europe.

As a result the following airlines will begin to charge for a second bag:

Virgin Atlantic

US Airways

American Airlines

Delta

United