

Airline Pet Policy Comparison Sheet

In-cabin and cargo policies for 40 major airlines — fees, limits, and breed restrictions

How to Use This Guide

Policies change frequently. Use this as a starting reference, then verify directly with the airline before booking. Fees are per pet per segment unless noted. Weight limits include carrier unless stated otherwise.

Airline	In-Cabin	Cabin Weight Limit	Cabin Fee (USD)	Cargo/Hold	Brachycephalic	Notes
Alaska Airlines	✓ Yes	20 lbs combined	\$100 each way	✓ Yes (PetSafe)	Restricted in cargo	Best overall US domestic
Southwest	✓ Yes	20 lbs combined	\$125 each way	✗ No cargo	Allowed in cabin	No cargo service; in-cabin only
United Airlines	✓ Yes	Carrier fits under seat	\$125 each way	✓ Yes (PetSafe)	Restricted in cargo	PetSafe: climate-controlled hold
Delta	✓ Yes	Carrier fits under seat	\$125 each way	✓ Yes	Restricted in cargo	Delta Cargo for large pets
American Airlines	✓ Yes	Carrier fits under seat	\$125 each way	✓ Yes	Restricted in cargo	No snub-nosed breeds in cargo
JetBlue	✓ Yes	20 lbs combined	\$125 each way	✗ No	Allowed in cabin	JetPaws program; 1 pet per cabin
Air Canada	✓ Yes	22 lbs combined	CAD \$59 each way	✓ Yes	Restricted in cargo	Domestic Canada flights only
WestJet	✓ Yes	22 lbs combined	CAD \$55 each way	✓ Yes	Restricted in cargo	Canadian domestic carrier
Lufthansa	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	€50–80	✓ Yes (cargo)	Contact airline	Frankfurt animal lounge
KLM	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	€50–75	✓ Yes	Contact airline	European and some long-haul routes
Air France	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	€35–80	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Good cargo welfare standards
British Airways	✗ No (cargo only)	N/A	N/A	✓ Yes	Restricted in cargo	In-cabin not permitted on BA
Emirates	✗ No	N/A	N/A	✓ SkyCargo only	Contact airline	No in-cabin pets; cargo only
Qatar Airways	✓ Select routes	15.4 lbs (7kg)	Varies	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Doha hub animal facilities
Etihad	✓ Select routes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	Varies	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Abu Dhabi hub
Singapore Airlines	✗ No	N/A	N/A	✓ SIA Cargo	Contact airline	High welfare standards
Cathay Pacific	✗ No	N/A	N/A	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Hong Kong hub; pets as cargo
Japan Airlines	✓ Domestic only	17.6 lbs (8kg)	¥5,000	✓ Yes (intl)	Restricted	International: cargo only
ANA	✓ Domestic only	17.6 lbs (8kg)	¥5,000	✓ Yes (intl)	Restricted	Same as JAL for international
Korean Air	✗ No (most routes)	N/A	N/A	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Pets as cargo on most routes
Turkish Airlines	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	Varies	✓ Yes	✗ Banned	Brachycephalic breeds banned entirely
Finnair	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	€50	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Helsinki hub; good standards
SAS	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	SEK 300–500	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Scandinavian carrier
Swiss Air	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	CHF 70	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Zurich hub
Austrian Airlines	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	€65	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Vienna hub
Iberia	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	€50–60	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Madrid hub

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TAP Air Portugal	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	€50	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Lisbon hub; pet-friendly policy
Qantas	✗ No	N/A	N/A	✓ Yes	Contact airline	In-cabin only on some domestic
Jetstar	✓ Select	17.6 lbs (8kg)	AUD \$50	✓ Limited	Contact airline	Budget carrier; limited routes
Air New Zealand	✗ No	N/A	N/A	✓ Yes	Restricted in cargo	Strict NZ biosecurity standards
Hawaiian Airlines	✓ Yes	25 lbs combined	\$35–125	✓ Yes	Restricted	Inter-island and mainland US
Frontier	✓ Yes	Carrier fits under seat	\$99 each way	✗ No cargo	Restricted	Budget US carrier
Spirit	✓ Yes	Carrier fits under seat	\$110 each way	✗ No cargo	Restricted	Budget US; no cargo pets
Air India	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	Varies	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Indian subcontinent routes
IndiGo	✓ Domestic	17.6 lbs (8kg)	■2,000	✓ Domestic	Contact airline	India domestic only
Thai Airways	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	Varies	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Bangkok hub
Malaysia Airlines	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	Varies	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Kuala Lumpur hub
Aeromexico	✓ Yes	15.4 lbs (7kg)	\$150	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Mexico and Latin America
LATAM	✓ Yes	17.6 lbs (8kg)	USD \$60–100	✓ Yes	Contact airline	South America specialist
Copa Airlines	✓ Yes	20 lbs combined	\$150	✓ Yes	Contact airline	Panama hub; Americas routes