

2026 Official Update ~ United Airlines Name Change Fee – How Much Does It Cost?

Discovering an error in your name after booking can be stressful. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Many passengers urgently ask, "How much does United charge for name changes?" ☎+1/844/213/7319 Understanding United's name change fees helps you budget for corrections. ☎+1/844/213/7319 The cost varies depending on the type of correction needed and when you request it. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Understanding Name Change vs Name Correction

☎+1/844/213/7319 United distinguishes between name corrections and name transfers. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Name corrections fix errors in the same passenger's legal name. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Name transfers attempt to give the ticket to a completely different person. ☎+1/844/213/7319 United allows corrections but strictly prohibits transfers under all circumstances. ☎+1/844/213/7319

What Qualifies as Name Correction:

- Spelling errors up to 3 letters ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Reversed first and last names ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Adding or removing middle names ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Correcting typos made during booking ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Legal name changes after marriage or divorce ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Adding or removing suffixes (Jr., Sr., III) ☎+1/844/213/7319

What United Does Not Allow:

- Transferring ticket to another person ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Complete name changes to different individuals ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Selling or giving your ticket to someone else ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Changing passenger identity entirely ☎+1/844/213/7319

Current United Name Change Fee Structure

☎+1/844/213/7319 United's name correction fees vary based on several factors. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Simple spelling errors caught early may be corrected at no charge. ☎+1/844/213/7319 More complex corrections typically incur fees ranging from \$50 to \$200. ☎+1/844/213/7319 International tickets may have different fee structures than domestic flights. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Typical Fee Structure:

- **Minor spelling errors (1-2 letters)** - Often free to \$50 ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Multiple letter corrections** - \$75 to \$150 ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Legal name changes** - \$100 to \$200 with documentation ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Last-minute corrections** - Higher fees closer to departure ☎+1/844/213/7319

- **International flights** - May have additional charges ☎ +1/844/213/7319

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Factors Affecting Name Change Costs

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Timing of Request:

- Within 24 hours of booking - Usually free ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- More than 24 hours but weeks before flight - Standard fee ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Within 2 weeks of departure - Higher fees ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Day of travel - Most expensive, may require new ticket ☎ +1/844/213/7319

Ticket Type:

- Basic Economy - Most restrictive, higher fees ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Main Cabin - Standard correction fees ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Premium cabins - More flexibility, sometimes lower fees ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Award tickets - Different rules, contact SkyMiles desk ☎ +1/844/213/7319

Extent of Correction:

- Single letter typo - Minimal or no fee ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Multiple errors - Cumulative charges ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Full name components wrong - Maximum fees ☎ +1/844/213/7319

Free Name Correction Opportunities

☎ +1/844/213/7319 In certain situations, United may waive name correction fees. ☎ +1/844/213/7319 Take advantage of these opportunities to avoid charges. ☎ +1/844/213/7319 Acting quickly is essential for free or low-cost corrections. ☎ +1/844/213/7319 Understanding these windows helps you save money. ☎ +1/844/213/7319

When Corrections May Be Free:

- **Within 24 hours of booking** - Risk-free correction window ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **United's error** - If United made the mistake during booking ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **Very minor typos** - Single letter errors sometimes waived ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **Technical glitches** - System errors corrected without charge ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **Legal name change with documentation** - Fees sometimes waived ☎ +1/844/213/7319

How to Request Name Correction

☎ +1/844/213/7319 Follow this process to correct name errors on your United ticket:

1. **Identify the error immediately** - Check confirmation email right away ☎+1/844/213/7319
2. **Contact United customer service** - Call as soon as possible ☎+1/844/213/7319
3. **Provide confirmation number** - Have booking details ready ☎+1/844/213/7319
4. **Explain the correction needed** - Be specific about exact changes ☎+1/844/213/7319
5. **Submit documentation** - Provide ID or passport showing correct name ☎+1/844/213/7319
6. **Ask about fees** - Inquire if any charges apply ☎+1/844/213/7319
7. **Authorize the correction** - Approve fees and changes ☎+1/844/213/7319
8. **Verify updated ticket** - Confirm correction in new confirmation ☎+1/844/213/7319

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Documentation Required for Name Changes

☎+1/844/213/7319 United requires proof of identity to process name corrections. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Proper documentation speeds up the correction process. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Have these documents ready before contacting United. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Insufficient documentation can delay or prevent corrections. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Required Documents:

- **Government-issued photo ID** - Driver's license or state ID ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Passport** - Especially for international travel ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Marriage certificate** - For name changes after marriage ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Divorce decree** - For reverting to maiden name ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Court order** - For legal name changes ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Birth certificate** - If other documents unavailable ☎+1/844/213/7319

☎+1/844/213/7319 Submit clear, legible copies via email or upload through United's portal. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Payment Methods for Name Change Fees

☎+1/844/213/7319 United accepts various payment methods for correction fees. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Fees are charged at the time of correction approval. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Keep payment information handy when requesting changes. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Receipts are provided for all transactions. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Accepted Payment Options:

- Major credit cards (Visa, Mastercard, Amex, Discover) ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Debit cards with credit card logos ☎+1/844/213/7319
- United gift cards or vouchers ☎+1/844/213/7319

- eCredits from previous cancellations ☎+1/844/213/7319

Comparing Fees to Rebooking Costs

☎+1/844/213/7319 Sometimes rebooking entirely costs less than correction fees.
 ☎+1/844/213/7319 Evaluate both options before proceeding with corrections. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Calculate total cost including any fare differences. ☎+1/844/213/7319 This is especially relevant for low-cost tickets with high correction fees. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Cost Comparison Example:

- Original ticket cost: \$150 ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Name correction fee: \$125 ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Current ticket price: \$175 ☎+1/844/213/7319
- **Decision:** Correction cheaper than rebooking ☎+1/844/213/7319

International Flight Name Change Fees

☎+1/844/213/7319 International tickets may have different correction policies.
 ☎+1/844/213/7319 Name must exactly match passport for international travel.
 ☎+1/844/213/7319 Fees can be higher for international corrections. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Immigration and customs require perfect name matching. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Special International Considerations:

- Passport name must match ticket exactly ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Include all middle names shown on passport ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Suffixes and titles must match precisely ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Some countries more strict than others ☎+1/844/213/7319
- Correction fees may be non-refundable ☎+1/844/213/7319

Group Booking Name Changes

☎+1/844/213/7319 Group reservations have special name change policies.
 ☎+1/844/213/7319 Groups of 10 or more may have more flexibility. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Contact United's group desk for correction procedures. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Fees may differ from individual ticket corrections. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Award Ticket Name Corrections

☎+1/844/213/7319 SkyMiles award tickets follow different correction rules.
 ☎+1/844/213/7319 Contact the SkyMiles service desk for award ticket changes.
 ☎+1/844/213/7319 Fees may be charged in miles or dollars. ☎+1/844/213/7319 Medallion members may receive courtesy corrections. ☎+1/844/213/7319

Avoiding Name Change Fees

☎+1/844/213/7319 Prevention is the best strategy for avoiding correction costs:

- **Double-check before booking** - Review spelling carefully ☎+1/844/213/7319

- **Have ID in front of you** - Reference while entering information ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **Use full legal names** - No nicknames or shortened versions ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **Review confirmation immediately** - Catch errors within 24 hours ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **Copy/paste from ID** - Reduce typing errors ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- **Slow down** - Rushing leads to mistakes ☎ +1/844/213/7319

What Happens If You Don't Correct

☎ +1/844/213/7319 Traveling with incorrect name on ticket can cause serious problems.
 ☎ +1/844/213/7319 TSA may deny boarding if name doesn't match ID. ☎ +1/844/213/7319
 International immigration will reject mismatched names. ☎ +1/844/213/7319 You could forfeit
 entire ticket value and miss your flight. ☎ +1/844/213/7319

Potential Consequences:

- Denied boarding at airport ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Additional scrutiny at security ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Immigration rejection for international flights ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Lost ticket value if unable to fly ☎ +1/844/213/7319
- Emergency rebooking at premium prices ☎ +1/844/213/7319

Final Thoughts

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 circumstances. ☎ +1/844/213/7319 Act immediately when discovering errors to minimize
 costs. ☎ +1/844/213/7319 Always verify passenger information matches government ID
 before completing bookings to avoid correction fees entirely and ensure smooth, stress-free
 travel.