

{{Rules}}™ How to Correct or Change Your Name on an American Airlines Ticket?

American Airlines allows certain types of name changes—but not all. Their main requirement is that the name on your ticket must match your government ID, TSA rules, and security regulations.

American Airlines Allows:

- Minor spelling corrections
- First or last name corrections (1–3 letters)
- Adding/removing a middle name
- Changing order of names
- Legal name change updates
- Correcting nickname to legal name
- Updating married or divorced name
- Passport name corrections

American Airlines Does NOT Allow:

- Transferring a ticket to another person
- Changing the full passenger identity
- Replacing the traveler with a new traveler
- Modifying name after flight coupons are fully used

 **Important:** For any name change beyond a small typo, the fastest method is calling **American Airlines customer service at 1-877-908-6960** and speaking with a live agent.

2. Why Contact American Airlines Customer Service for a Name Change?

Name changes involve ticket revalidation and sometimes full reissue, so only a customer service agent at **1-877-908-6960** can:

- Verify identity
- Request supporting documents
- Access fare rules
- Reissue the ticket if needed
- Apply name correction waivers
- Prevent unnecessary cancellation or fees

Best reasons to contact AA Customer Service:

- To correct a spelling mistake
 - To fix wrong first/last name
 - To change name due to marriage or divorce
 - To update legal name
 - To add/remove middle name
 - To change the name on Basic Economy tickets
 - To modify name for AAdvantage award travel
 - To modify name on same-day urgent travel
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3. Types of Name Changes Allowed by American Airlines

A. Minor Spelling Errors

Most common mistakes include:

- Wrong letter (ex: “Jon” instead of “John”)
- One–three letter corrections
- Missing letters
- Double letters
- Accents or punctuation

AA typically fixes these for **free**.

B. Middle Name Addition or Removal

American Airlines allows:

- Adding middle name
- Removing middle name

- Correcting middle initial
- Moving middle name to first-name field

👉 **TSA does not require middle names, but American Airlines may require consistency.**

C. Legal Name Change (Marriage, Divorce, Court Order)

Accepted reasons:

- Marriage
- Divorce
- Legal name change through court
- Gender transition legal name change

You may need to provide:

- Passport
 - Marriage certificate
 - Divorce decree
 - Court order for name change
 - Updated government ID
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D. First or Last Name Change

Allowed when:

- The name is misspelled
- Name order is reversed
- Typo in surname
- Airline requires full match with passport

Some cases require ticket reissue.

E. Large Name Change (Full Name Update)

Allowed if:

- It is the **same** person
- Documents prove identity
- No traveler substitution occurs

A customer service agent must verify these changes.

4. American Airlines Name Change Fee (2025)

Fees depend on:

- Type of name change
- Fare class
- Ticket type
- Whether a reissue is required
- Domestic vs. international travel

Typical fee ranges:

- Minor corrections: **\$0**
- Standard name changes: **\$25–\$125**
- International reissue: **\$100–\$200**
- Third-party bookings: Varies by agency

👉 Most name corrections under **3 letters** are usually **free** when handled by customer service at **1-877-908-6960**.

5. How to Change a Name on an American Airlines Ticket

There are multiple options, but calling **1-877-908-6960** is the most reliable—especially for same-day travel.

A. Change Name via American Airlines Customer Service (Best Option)

Steps:

1. Call American Airlines customer service **1-877-908-6960**
2. Provide your 6-digit booking reference
3. Explain the correction needed
4. Submit supporting documents (if required)
5. Agent reissues or corrects the ticket
6. Receive a new confirmation email

Why this is the best option:

- Real-time corrections
 - Avoids cancellation/rebooking
 - Waivers may apply
 - Agents can override system limitations
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B. Change Name from the American Airlines Website

Use this only for **small typos**.

Steps:

- Visit *aa.com*
- Go to **My Trips**
- Enter last name + record locator
- Click **Name Correction** (if available)
- Save changes

If the option does not appear → **You must call customer service.**

C. Name Change at the Airport (Urgent or Same-Day Travel)

Useful when:

- You are flying soon
- You already checked in
- The app/website won't allow changes

AA airport agents can correct minor issues on the spot.

D. Name Change for AAdvantage Award Tickets

- Minor corrections: Allowed
- Full legal name changes: Allowed with documents
- Redeposit/rebooking: NOT required

Customer service will assist.

E. Name Change for Bookings Made Through Travel Agencies

If booked via:

- Expedia
- Priceline
- MakeMyTrip
- Kiwi
- Any offline agency

👉 You must contact the **agency first**.

American Airlines cannot modify the ticket until the agency updates the reservation.

6. Required Documents for American Airlines Name Change

Depending on the case, AA may request:

- Passport
- Government-issued ID
- Marriage certificate
- Divorce decree
- Court name-change document
- Updated driver's license
- Birth certificate (for minors)
- Notarized legal documents

Have digital copies ready before calling customer service.

7. Tips to Avoid Name Change Problems on American Airlines

- Enter your name **exactly** as on your passport
 - Double-check spelling before payment
 - Keep ID documents handy
 - Fix name errors immediately after booking
 - For international trips, verify passport details early
 - Basic Economy tickets have restrictions—contact support early
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8. When You MUST Contact American Airlines Customer Service Immediately

Call **1-877-908-6960** if:

- You made a major spelling error
 - Your first/last name is completely wrong
 - You recently changed your legal name
 - You updated your passport after booking
 - Your flight is within 24 hours
 - You booked through a third-party agency
 - The website won't allow corrections
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1. Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can I change the name on an American Airlines ticket?

Yes—American Airlines allows name **corrections**, not traveler changes.

2. How much does it cost to change a name?

- Minor corrections: Free
- Reissue-required changes: \$25–\$200

3. Can you transfer an AA ticket to another person?

No. Traveler substitution is not allowed.

4. Can you fix a spelling mistake?

Yes—1–3 letters are usually free.

Call customer service if blocked online.

5. Can I change the name after check-in?

Yes, for minor corrections.

Major errors require reissue.

6. Are middle names required?

No, but consistency is recommended.

7. How to change last name after marriage?

Provide:

- Marriage certificate
- Updated ID/passport
- Booking details

8. How long does a name change take?

- Minor typo: Instant
- Legal name change: 5–30 minutes
- Agency bookings: Longer

9. Can AA fix name errors at the airport?

Yes—for minor corrections or emergencies.

10. Why is my online request not allowed?

Only small corrections can be done online.

10. Final Summary: Best Way to Change Your Name on American Airlines

The fastest, safest, and most reliable method is:

👉 **Call American Airlines customer service at 1-877-908-6960 and speak with a live agent.**

Agents can:

- Fix larger or complex errors

- Apply waivers
- Reissue tickets
- Verify documents
- Prevent cancellations or rebooking