

For each airline, any child traveling without a parent must check in at the ticket counter with his or her parent. That parent must fill out an Unaccompanied Minor form, which lists the contact information for that parent, the adult picking up the child at the destination, and emergency contact information. One adult in the originating city must get a security pass from the check-in counter, accompany the child to the gate, and remain at the gate until the child's flight departs. One adult in the destination city must get a security pass and meet the child at the gate. The adult picking up the child must also show valid government-issued ID.

For each airline, if the flight must be re-routed in the air (due to weather, etc.), airline personnel will remain with the child at all times, contact the adults specified on the Unaccompanied Minors form, and ensure that the child is on the next possible flight to the destination city.

If the child must transfer to a different flight as part of his or her itinerary, each airline will provide an escort, as long as the flight the child is transferring to is with the same carrier.

Airlines have different requirements for children traveling outside of the U.S. alone or with only one parent. Please discuss with an airline representative what additional documentation (i.e. a notarized letter from both parents) will be necessary for your child to travel.

Carrier	Youngest Age for Unaccompanied Minor on Direct Flight	Youngest Age for Unaccompanied Minor on Connecting Flight	Youngest Age for Unescorted* Flight	Fees for Unaccompanied Minors	Must Book with Rep?	Young Travelers Club	Miscellaneous Specific Information
AIR TRAN Domestic (1-800-247-8726)	5	8	15	direct: \$25 connecting: \$40	Yes	No	
AMERICAN Domestic (1-800-433-7300)	5	8	15	direct: \$40 connecting: \$75	Yes	No	
AMERICA WEST Domestic (1-800-235-9292)	5	8	15	direct: \$60 connecting: \$90	Yes	No	
BRITISH AIRWAYS Domestic (1-800-247-9297)	5	6	12	direct: \$50 connecting: \$50	Yes	London Heathrow and Gatwick	Children may not travel alone on itineraries including a transfer between Heathrow and Gatwick. Unaccompanied children cannot travel on flights with a stopover exceeding four hours unless the child will be met and cared for at the transfer point.
CONTINENTAL Domestic (1-800-932-2732)	5	8	15	direct: \$40 connecting: \$75	No	No	
CONTINENTAL International (1-800-231-0856)	5	8	15	direct: \$60 connecting: \$90	No	No	
DELTA Domestic (1-800-221-1212)	5	5	15	direct: \$40 connecting: \$75	Yes	Atlanta	
DELTA International (1-800-221-1212)	5		15	direct: \$60 connecting: \$90	Yes	Atlanta	
KLM (ROYAL DUTCH) International (1-800-221-1212)	5	5	15 (if ticket is purchased in the US, Canada, or Mexico) 12 (if ticket is purchased elsewhere)	direct: \$60 connecting: \$90			

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NORTHWEST Domestic (1-800-225-2525)	5	5	15	direct: \$40 connecting: \$75	Yes	Yes	
NORTHWEST International (1-800-447-4747)	5	5	15	direct: \$60 connecting: \$90	Yes	No	
SOUTHWEST Domestic (1-800-435-9792)	5	12	12	direct: \$0 connecting: N/A	Yes	No	
UNITED Domestic (1-800-241-6522)	5	8	12	direct: \$60 connecting: \$60	No, but if booked on-line, must call rep with required information	No	
UNITED International (1-800-241-6522)	5	8	12	direct: \$60 connecting: \$90	No, but if booked on-line, must call rep with required information	No	
US AIR Domestic (1-800-428-4322)	5	8	15	direct: \$40 connecting: \$75	No, but if booked on-line, must select "add special services," and must call rep with required information	Charlotte, Philadelphia, and Pittsburg	
US AIR International (1-800-221-1212)	5	8	15	direct: \$40 connecting: \$75	No, but if booked on-line, must select "add special services," and must call rep with required information	Charlotte, Philadelphia, and Pittsburg	
AMTRAK (1-800-USA-RAIL)	8	12	12	direct: \$0 connecting: N/A	Yes	No	Unaccompanied minors may only travel between 6 a.m. and 9 p.m., must have prior written permission from the agent or other Amtrak employee in charge at each boarding station, and may only travel on certain routes, none of which are in Texas
GREYHOUND BUS LINES (1-800-231-2222)	8	15	15	direct: \$5 connecting: N/A	Yes	No	The trip must be no longer than 5 hours in duration, and must be during daylight hours only

\* If a child flies unescorted, he or she is traveling as an adult, unaccompanied and without assistance