

# Through Checked Baggage Policy

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To align American Airlines (AA) with our oneworld partners and to reduce baggage mishandlings, we will now only through check customers and baggage when all the tickets are in the same PNR.

Through check-in will be honored between the following carriers only:

- American Airlines and American Eagle
- [oneworld](#) airlines and affiliates

## What if I have separate tickets in the same PNR for itineraries with American to a non-oneworld carrier?

Our policy on American to non-oneworld airline tickets has not changed. We will not through check customers or bags even if the tickets are in the same PNR

## What would be the bag charges if the customer holds separate tickets in separate PNRs?

American will not through check a customer's bag, regardless if it is a oneworld carrier. The customer will need to collect their bag at the final destination on the AA ticket. They will pay for the bag on the second ticket when they recheck it. This may involve exiting the secure area, then claiming and re-checking the bags. The Minimum Connecting Time (MCT) will usually not be sufficient when the customer has separate tickets issued for each airline.

International flights will usually require claiming bags, clearing customs and rechecking bags on another carrier to be continued to their next destination.

## What will customers be charged if we can through check the bag?

The charges would depend on what tickets the customer holds in the same PNR:

## Do Alaska and our other codeshare/interline partners count as affiliate airlines?

No, the **oneworld** affiliate airlines are generally the regional partners of the other **oneworld** carriers. If a customer held an AS ticket and an AA ticket in the same PNR we would not through check the bag. They would need to reclaim then recheck their bag with AS.

## Summary Table

The table shows what will be offered to customers who hold separate tickets in the same PNR or separate PNRs:

	Tickets in same PNR?	Baggage through check?	What bag charges?	Assistance in IROPS?
AA-AA	Y	Y	Charge as single journey	Yes, rebook through to final destination
AA-AA	N	N	Only charge first AA ticket as customer will need to recheck for second ticket	Yes, rebook through to final destination

AA- <b>oneworld</b>	Y	Y	Customer will pay the applicable charges on both tickets	Yes, rebook through to final destination using same connecting point
AA- <b>oneworld</b>	N	N	Only AA charges as bag will only be checked for AA ticket	Yes, rebook through to final destination using same connecting point
AA-OA	Y	N	Only AA charges as bag will only be checked for AA ticket	Yes, rebook through to final destination <b>if</b> we have a ticketing agreement with the OA
AA-OA	N	N	Only AA charges as bag will only be checked for AA ticket	Only on AA ticket

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