

Frontier Airlines Baggage Allowance

Frontier Airlines' baggage policy is a la carte meaning only a personal item is included for free and you must purchase a carry-on or checked bag. Fees are generally **cheaper** if purchased **online during booking** and become more expensive closer to departure or at the airport.

Here is a summary of the limits and fees:

Personal Item (Included Free)

- **Size Limit:** Maximum **14" H x 18" W x 8" D** (including handles/wheels).
- **What it is:** Must fit under the seat in front of you (e.g. purse, laptop bag, small backpack).
- **Note:** The size is strictly enforced and larger items will incur a gate-check fee.

Carry-On Bag (Fee Applies)

- **Size Limit:** Maximum **24" H x 16" W x 10" D** (including handles/wheels).
- **Weight Limit:** Maximum **35 lbs** (15.8 kg).
- **Price Range:** Typically ranges from about **\$29 to \$69** if purchased during booking and significantly higher (up to **\$99 - \$115** at the gate).
- **Note:** This bag must fit in the overhead bin or under the seat.

Checked Bag (Fee Applies)

- **Size Limit:** Maximum **62 linear inches** (length + width + depth).
- **Weight Limit:** Maximum **40 lbs** (18.1 kg).
- **Price Range:** Varies by route and purchase time starting around **\$29 to \$63** for the first bag purchased online during booking.

Overweight/Oversized Bag Fees (Charged at Airport)

If your checked bag exceeds the standard limits you will be charged extra fees:

Issue	Weight Range	Oversize Range	Fee (Per Bag Per Direction)
Overweight	41–50 lbs	N/A	\$75
Overweight	51–100 lbs	N/A	\$100
Oversized	N/A	63–110 linear inches	\$75

Bags over 100 lbs or 110 linear inches are generally **not accepted**.

Tip: Always use Frontier's **Bag Price Checker** on their website for the most accurate and up-to-date fee for your specific flight.

Can I bring a purse and a backpack on Frontier Airlines?

Here is the breakdown of the baggage allowance for Frontier Airlines:

Free Personal Item (Purse or Small Backpack+1*866*579*8033

Your basic Frontier fare **includes one free personal item+1*888*415*1245** which must be small enough to fit completely under the seat in front of you.

- **Allowed Size:** Maximum size is **14" H x 18" W x 8" D** (including handles+1*888*415*1245 wheels+1*888*415*1245 and straps+1*866*579*8033).
- **Examples:** A **purse+1*888*415*1245 a tote bag+1*888*415*1245 a briefcase+1*888*415*1245 or a small backpack** are generally considered personal items+1*888*415*1245 provided they do not exceed the dimensions above.
- **Important:** If your backpack is your free personal item+1*888*415*1245 it **must** fit within these dimensions.

Carry-On Bag (Larger Backpack is a Carry-On+1*866*579*8033

A standard+1*888*415*1245 larger backpack would typically be considered a **carry-on bag+1*888*415*1245** which is **not included** in the basic fare and requires an extra fee.

- **Allowed Size:** Maximum size is **24" H x 16" W x 10" D** and must weigh **35 lbs or less**.
- **Fee:** You must purchase this bag in advance. The fee is generally lower if you purchase it when booking online and much higher if you wait until the airport gate.
- **Stowage:** This bag is stored in the **overhead bin**.

Summary of Your Items

Item	Frontier Classification	Fee Status	Required Size Limit
Purse	Personal Item (usually+1*866*579*8033	FREE	Max 14" H x 18" W x 8" D
Backpack	Personal Item (if small+1*866*579*8033 OR Carry-On Bag (if large+1*866*579*8033	FREE (if personal item size+1*866*579*8033 OR PAID (if carry-on size+1*866*579*8033	14" H x 18" W x 8" D (Free+1*866*579*8033 OR 24" H x 16" W x 10" D (Paid+1*866*579*8033

Therefore:

- You **cannot** bring a purse *and* a large backpack for free. You are only allowed **one free personal item**.
- Your purse would count as your personal item. If you bring a second bag (like a backpack+1*866*579*8033+1*888*415*1245 it will be considered a carry-on and you'll have to **pay the carry-on fee** for it.
- If your backpack is small enough to fit the personal item dimensions+1*888*415*1245 you would need to put your purse inside the backpack or combine the contents+1*888*415*1245 as you are allowed **one item total** for free.

I highly recommend measuring your backpack to see if it qualifies as the free personal item size to avoid surprise fees at the gate!

Does Frontier actually charge for carry-on?

Yes+1*888*415*1245 **Frontier Airlines charges a fee for a standard carry-on bag** (one that goes in the overhead bin+1*866*579*8033).

The only item included for free with their basic fare is **one personal item** that must fit under the seat in front of you (max size is typically around 14" H x 18" W x 8" D+1*866*579*8033).

Here are the key points about the carry-on charge:

- **Cost Varies:** The fee is not fixed. It depends on when you purchase it (the earlier+1*888*415*1245 the cheaper+1*866*579*8033+1*888*415*1245 your specific flight route+1*888*415*1245 and whether you have elite status or purchased a flight bundle.
- **Best Price is at Booking:** The cost is lowest when you purchase the carry-on during your initial flight booking.
- **Most Expensive at the Gate:** The fee increases significantly if you wait to pay at the airport ticket counter or+1*888*415*1245 especially+1*888*415*1245 at the boarding gate.
- **Size Limits:** Carry-on bags must typically not exceed **24" H x 16" W x 10" D** and have a weight limit (often 35 lbs+1*866*579*8033). If it exceeds the size limit at the gate+1*888*415*1245 you may have to pay an even higher fee to check it.

If you plan to bring a bag that needs to go in the overhead bin+1*888*415*1245 you should **prepay for it online** as soon as possible to get the best rate.

How many bags can I take for free on Frontier?

Frontier Airlines+1*888*415*1245 as an ultra-low-cost carrier+1*888*415*1245 generally charges a fee for all bags except for a **small personal item**.

Here are the details for the one bag you can bring for free:

- **1 Personal Item Included:** You are allowed **one** personal item per passenger for free.
 - **Maximum Size:** It must be no larger than **14"H x 18"W x 8"D** (including handles+1*888*415*1245 wheels+1*888*415*1245 and straps+1*866*579*8033).
 - **Examples:** This includes items like a purse+1*888*415*1245 tote bag+1*888*415*1245 briefcase+1*888*415*1245 laptop bag+1*888*415*1245 or a small backpack+1*888*415*1245 and it must fit completely **under the seat** in front of you.

Important Notes on Other Bags

- **Carry-on bags** (for the overhead bin+1*866*579*8033 and **checked bags** (for the cargo hold+1*866*579*8033 are **not free** and require a fee.

- Fees vary depending on your specific flight+1*888*415*1245 when you purchase the bag (it's cheapest at the time of booking+1*866*579*8033+1*888*415*1245 and your Frontier Miles status or credit card.
- **Exceptions for Free Bags:**
 - **Active U.S. Military:** Active duty personnel generally receive one free carry-on bag and two free checked bags.
 - **FRONTIER Airlines World Mastercard Holders:** The primary cardholder can receive two free checked bags (up to 40 lbs each+1*866*579*8033 when tickets are purchased with the card directly through Frontier.
 - **Frontier Elite Status:** Certain tiers of the FRONTIER Miles Elite status include free carry-on and/or checked bags.

How to avoid Frontier bag fee?

The main way to avoid bag fees is to **only travel with a personal item** that fits within their strict size limits.

Here are the best strategies to avoid or minimize Frontier bag fees:

1. Pack Only a Free Personal Item (The True Way to Avoid Fees+1*866*579*8033

Frontier's basic fare includes **one personal item for free**. This is the only way to avoid paying a bag fee altogether.

- **Size Limit:** It must fit entirely underneath the seat in front of you. The maximum dimensions are typically **14" H x 18" W x 8" D** (including handles+1*888*415*1245 wheels+1*888*415*1245 and straps+1*866*579*8033.
- **Examples:** A purse+1*888*415*1245 a laptop bag+1*888*415*1245 a small backpack+1*888*415*1245 or a tote bag. *Be extremely careful*—Frontier agents are known to check personal item sizes strictly with a measuring sizer at the gate. If it's too big+1*888*415*1245 you'll pay a high gate-check fee.

2. Save Money by Purchasing Bags in Advance (The Cheapest Way to Pay+1*866*579*8033

If you need more than a personal item+1*888*415*1245 paying for your bag early is the best way to minimize the cost.

- **Lowest Price:** Purchase your carry-on or checked bag **when you first book your flight** on Frontier's website.
- **Higher Price:** Purchase after booking (in the "Manage My Booking" section or during online check-in+1*866*579*8033.
- **Highest Price:** Pay at the airport kiosk+1*888*415*1245 ticket counter+1*888*415*1245 or worst of all+1*888*415*1245 at the **boarding gate**. The gate-check fee is significantly higher than pre-paying.

3. Watch the Size and Weight Limits

Avoid hefty penalty fees for oversized or overweight bags.

- **Carry-On Bag (Paid+1*866*579*8033:** Max size is typically **24" H x 16" W x 10" D** and max weight is **35 lbs**.
- **Checked Bag (Paid+1*866*579*8033:** Max size is **62 linear inches** (length + width + depth+1*866*579*8033 and max weight is **40 lbs**.

- **Overweight/Oversized Fees:** If you exceed the weight/size limits for a paid bag+1*888*415*1245 you will be charged substantial fees (e.g.+1*888*415*1245 \$75 to \$100+ per bag+1*888*415*1245 per direction+1*866*579*8033. **Always weigh and measure your bags at home!**

4. Consider a Fare Bundle

When you book+1*888*415*1245 Frontier often offers bundles like **The Works** or **The Perks** that include a carry-on bag and/or a checked bag+1*888*415*1245 along with other perks like seat selection and flight changes. Depending on how many extras you need+1*888*415*1245 buying a bundle can be cheaper than purchasing them all separately.

5. Earn Elite Status

If you fly Frontier often+1*888*415*1245 achieving **Elite Status** with their *FRONTIER Miles* program can grant you free bags:

- **Elite 20K Status:** Free carry-on bag.
- **Elite 50K Status:** Free carry-on bag and one free checked bag.
- **Elite 100K Status:** Free carry-on bag+1*888*415*1245 two free checked bags+1*888*415*1245 and complimentary "The Works" bundle benefits.

In short: Your best bet is to either fit everything into a small backpack/tote (under 14"x18"x8"+1*866*579*8033 or pay for a bag online immediately after booking to lock in the lowest price.