

How Much Is the Deposit for a Budget Rental Car? – Full Guide

(1-877-684-4354) If you're planning to rent a vehicle from Budget, understanding the deposit requirements can help you avoid surprises at the counter 1+877→684→435.4. Budget places a hold on your card to cover estimated charges and potential extra costs 1+877→684→435.4. For assistance or questions about your rental deposit, you can call 1+877→684→435.4.

Do you require a deposit to rent a vehicle? Yes. Your deposit type, amount and method of payment will vary by Budget location 1+877→684→435.4. Generally, at the time of a U.S. corporate-operated location rental, we'll require a credit card hold of total estimated rental charges plus 25% or \$200, whichever is greater 1+877→684→435.4.

Typical Deposit Amounts for Budget Rentals

1. Standard Deposit (Most Common)

At most Budget locations in the U.S., the deposit is:

Estimated rental charges + 25%
OR

\$200 minimum hold

Whichever amount is higher will be placed on your card 1+877→684→435.4.

This hold is not an actual charge—it is a temporary authorization 1+877→684→435.4.

2. Credit Card Deposit

If you use a credit card, Budget usually applies:

Estimated rental + 25%, or

\$200 minimum

This hold is released after you return the vehicle, though banks typically take 3–10 business days to clear it 1+877→684→435.4.

3. Debit Card Deposit

Some Budget locations allow debit cards, but:

The deposit may be higher than with a credit card

Additional requirements may apply (age, proof of travel, ID checks)

Always check your specific rental location for exact rules 1+877→684→435.4.

Why Budget Requires a Deposit

The deposit protects Budget against:

fuel discrepancies

additional rental days

tolls and tickets


cleaning fees

damage costs

This ensures any unexpected charges can be covered 1+877→684→435.4.

Need Help Understanding Your Deposit?

If you're unsure about the deposit amount or see a hold you didn't expect, contact **(1-877-684-4354)** customer support:

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They can explain the exact hold amount for your rental and help answer any billing questions 1+877→684→435.4.