



Guest Service and Contingency Plans.

Tarmac Delay Policy

Sometimes we are affected by lengthy ground delays that can be beyond our control. These may be due to severe weather, air traffic control rulings, government operating restrictions, or airport operator issues that cannot be anticipated. Consequently we have enhanced our Guest policy to do everything possible to minimize any inconvenience to you during these difficult periods. We will work with appropriate agencies as well to ensure they adhere to our policy to give you the best Guest service possible in the circumstances of the delay.

Our plan will be coordinated with airport authorities, Customs and Border Protection and the Transport Security Administration at each of our USA stations and at nominated potential diversion stations as appropriate.

We will not permit an aircraft to remain on the tarmac (gates, taxiways and holding areas) for more than three hours without the opportunity for you to disembark. This applies to both departing and to arriving aircraft. However, the pilot-in-command may decide there is a safety or security-related reason to stop this from happening. If Air Traffic Control advised us that remaining on, or returning to the gate, or permitting anyone to disembark elsewhere would significantly disrupt airport operations then we would also not be allowed to do this.

If your aircraft remains on the ramp, taxiways or holding areas no later than two hours after leaving the gate for a departure, or after landing, we will provide food and potable water from the normal on-board catering. Should the pilot-in-command decide that safety or security requirements preclude this service then we will not be able to provide these refreshments.

While your aircraft remains on the ramp, taxiways or holding areas the lavatory facilities will function, and adequate medical attention if needed, will be available.

During a delay our flight crew will make information available to you on board at least every 30 minutes regarding the status of the flight, and the reasons if known, for the ramp or taxi way delay.

After the scheduled departure time (including any revised departure time you were notified about before boarding), if an opportunity exists for you to disembark, the flight crew will notify you every 30 minutes that you may leave the aircraft and return to the gate or another disembarkation area. We will do our best to provide sufficient resources to deliver this policy.

The staff of at Aruba Airlines are dedicated to ensuring that our Guests always experience a safe and enjoyable journey.

Your journey is subject to our Conditions of Carriage. Please visit us at www.arubaairlines.com for more information about the conditions of carriage.

Guest Service Plan Lowest Fare Availability

Guests calling our reservations offices or visiting our ticket counters to purchase a ticket for a specific day and time will be offered the lowest fare available through Aruba Airlines, exclusive of Internet only fares. If you do not provide specific date and time requirements we will provide you with a range of fares.

In the US, please contact Aruba Airlines toll free numbers at 1-855-5278-221, for further information.

Flight Delays

Aruba Airlines will provide Guests at the airport and onboard a delayed aircraft with timely and frequent updates regarding the delay, beginning 30 minutes after we become aware of such a delay. This information will also be available on arubaairlines.com and via our telephone reservation system. We will update our flight status displays and other sources of flight information under our control, and provide the airport the same information so that they can update their flight status displays.

Where possible, Aruba Airlines will take reasonable steps to contact Guests in advance at the phone number(s) provided in your reservation record. If you booked with a travel agency, and no contact number for you exists in our system, our reservations representatives will attempt to contact the agency. We encourage you to provide us with a mobile phone number and email address or a destination contact so that we can give updates to you during your journey.

Essential Guest Needs During Extraordinary Delays

Our top priority is the safety and well-being of our Guests. On very rare occasions, extraordinary events may result in lengthy onboard delays. We have developed contingency plans to deal with situations in which an aircraft is delayed on the ground without access to a terminal gate. We will make reasonable efforts to ensure that your essential needs, such as food, water, restroom facilities, and basic medical assistance are met. Every Aruba Airlines US airport team has an operational contingency plan in place to address these needs, which includes coordination with the local airport authorities and other airlines serving the airport when appropriate. Each plan designates a local control person to coordinate the activities of the local team and communicate with our operations team. Our tarmac delay policy is at the top of this page.

Assistance When Your Flight Has Been Delayed Or Cancelled

Aruba Airlines will take all reasonable measures to avoid delays in carrying you and your baggage. These measures may, in exceptional circumstances and if necessary, to prevent a flight being cancelled, include arranging for a flight to be operated by another aircraft, by another airline or by both.

If we cancel a flight, delay a flight by five hours or more, fail to stop at your place of stopover or destination, you can choose one of the three remedies set out immediately below.

Remedy 1

We will carry you as soon as we can to the destination shown on your ticket on another of our scheduled services on which a seat is available in the class of service for which you have paid the fare. If we do this, we will not charge you extra and where necessary, will extend the validity period of your ticket.

Remedy 2

We will carry you to the destination shown on your ticket, in the class of service for which you have paid the fare, at a later date at your convenience and within the validity period of your ticket, on another of our scheduled services on which a seat is available. If we do this, we will not charge you extra.

Remedy 3

We will give or obtain for you an involuntary fare refund.

We will give you additional assistance, such as compensation, refreshments and other care and reimbursement, if required to do so by any law that may apply.

Baggage Delivery

In the event that your checked bags do not arrive on your flight, Aruba Airlines will make reasonable efforts to ensure that the bag is returned to you within 24 hours.

If you paid a fee for excess or overweight baggage and that bag is subsequently lost, we will refund the fee you paid.

Seat Maps

In the course of making a reservation online we display a seat map, and available seats for Guest selection. The same information is available to our call center staff who may also assist with seat selection and provide information on the location of onboard lavatories. To see the seat maps of our aircraft, please go to www.arubaairlines.com

Cancellation Policies

In the event of a flight cancellation or delay pursuant to this Guest service plan, and the Guest decides to not fly, the Guest will be entitled to a full refund including any non refundable service fees. In the course of making a reservation with us directly online or via telephone to our call centers our agents will disclose the change and cancel fees associated with the fares purchased. Guests may contact us at any time to clarify the change and cancellation fees associated with their ticket. For tickets purchased through travel agencies, the Guest must contact the agency to process a refund.

Baggage Liability

Certain international conventions govern Aruba Airlines liability for lost, damaged or delayed baggage. Under the Montreal Convention, Aruba Airlines liability for lost, damaged or delayed baggage is 1131 Special Drawing Rights (SDR) per passenger. If you complete a special declaration of higher value at check-in and pay the applicable fee, our liability shall be limited to the higher declared value. Please note other carriers may have lower limits of liability.

More information can be seen regarding these limits within the [Montreal Convention](#)

Ticket Refunds

For all eligible tickets and services purchased from Aruba Airlines with a credit card or cash, refunds will be provided within 7 business days of receipt of the required refund information. (The credit card refund may take up to two billing cycles to appear on a credit card statement, so you should contact your credit card company directly to verify receipt of the credit.) Eligible tickets and services purchased with a check will be refunded within 20 business days of receipt of the required information. This includes refunding fees charged to a passenger for optional services that the passenger was unable to use due to an over sale situation or flight cancellation.

Refunds for electronic tickets can be obtained by contacting our reservations department or through our Guest services link here on our web site at www.arubaairlines.com

All other refund requests should be sent to the following addresses:

Aruba Airlines Ticket Refunds

Cumana 69
Oranjestad, Aruba.

Certain refund requests may not be accommodated in the time frames discussed above. For details contact Aruba Airlines.

Refunds for credit card purchases will be made only to the credit card account used in the purchase.

Accommodation Of Guests With Special Needs

We provide passengers with disabilities and all other special needs with dignified, professional and courteous service and proper accommodations at all times, including during lengthy tarmac delays.

We offer a special service for [children travelling alone](#), please contact us for further information.

Flights with Over Sales

If at departure time more Guests with confirmed reservations are present than there are seats available, gate agents will first ask for volunteers who are willing to give up their seats in exchange for compensation and a confirmed seat on a later flight. On extremely rare occasions, a Guest may be denied boarding on an involuntary basis, if a sufficient number of volunteers are not obtained. In such events, we will usually deny boarding based upon check-in time, but we may also consider factors such as severe hardships, fare paid, and status within the frequent flier program. With few exceptions, persons denied boarding involuntarily are entitled to compensation under federal law.

- No compensation is required if the carrier offers alternate transportation that, at the time the arrangement is made, is planned to arrive at the airport of the passenger's first stopover, or if none, the airport of the passenger's final destination not later than one hour after the planned arrival time of the passenger's original flight.
- Compensation shall be 200% of the fare to the passenger's destination or first stopover, with a maximum of \$650, if the carrier offers alternate transportation that, at the time the arrangement is made, is planned to arrive at the airport of the passenger's first stopover, or if none, the airport of the passenger's final destination more than one hour, but less than two hours after the planned arrival time of the passenger's original flight.
- Compensation shall be 400% of the fare to the passenger's destination or first stopover, with a maximum of \$1,300, if the carrier does not offer alternate transportation that, at the time the arrangement is made, is planned to arrive at the airport of the passenger's first stopover, or if none, the airport of the passenger's final destination less than two hours after the planned arrival time of the passenger's original flight.

Additional information concerning our overbooking policies can be found in our conditions of carriage on our website www.arubaairlines.com

Other Travel Policies

Your ticket is valid only for the transportation shown on it from the place of departure through an agreed stopping point to the final destination and the fare you have paid is based on that routing. We will not honor that ticket and it may no longer be valid if you do not use the flight segment coupons in the sequence provided. Therefore if you need to make a change to the itinerary you must contact us beforehand to determine how this may affect the ticket and remaining travel plans.

Before we accept your booking, we or our authorized agents will tell you the scheduled departure time of your flight; and it will be shown on your ticket or itinerary and receipt. We may need to change the scheduled departure time of your flight after your ticket has been sent to you or to change the scheduled departure terminal for your flight. If you give us or our authorized agents contact information, we or they will try to let you know about any changes in a timely manner.

Our Guest Relations department is dedicated to addressing unresolved Guest comments and concerns. They will acknowledge in writing each complaint received within 30 days of receiving it and shall send a subsequent written response to each complainant within 60 days of receiving the complaint.

For further information, please contact us.

Should you prefer to reach us by mail, the address is:

Aruba Airlines Guest Care

Cumana 69.
Oranjestad, Aruba

Travel Fees

Please be aware you may be charged for some optional extras when you travel with us.