Children and infants

Child and infant fares

Infant discounts (under 2 years)

- Infants not occupying a seat pay 10% of the adult fare (ticketing code = Base Fare Code + IN, passenger type INF)
- Infants occupying a seat (see details regarding infants in car seats) pay 75% of the adult fare (ticketing code = Base Fare Code + CH, passenger type INS)
- Fuel surcharge (YQ) is not applicable to infant fares (except where an infant occupies a seat)

Child discounts (2-11 years inclusive)

There is no child discount for accompanied children on bmi domestic services (UK and Ireland). For bmi services, with the exception of some lower class fares for travel in Europe, the following discount applies:

- Accompanied children pay 75% of the adult fare (ticketing code = Base Fare Code + CH)

Children carried at the discounted rate will receive the full adult free baggage allowance and any excess is assessed at the full adult rate.

Please note, if the journey includes a sector not operated by bmi, different conditions may apply.

Infant outbound/child inbound

If an infant is under 2 years old on their outward journey but has their second birthday prior to their return trip, this must be accounted for in their booking in order to comply with the CAA and cabin safety regulations.

In this situation, the infant fare should be paid for the whole journey, even though the infant outbound/child inbound will occupy a seat on the inbound flight. The status of the customer on the outbound date of travel determines the fare they pay.

At the point of reservation, a second separate booking will have been made for the inbound seat for the child, and a remark similar to that shown below should be shown on the second (i.e. inbound/return) PNR:

RMK: PLEASE REFER TO BOOKING REF YMQ3TF
MSTR SMITH NOT UM / HAS NOW REACHED CHILD STATUS
MR SMITH AWARE CHILD MUST OCCUPY A SEAT

The original ticket should be added in this reservation, along with an “SSR CKIN”
with all detailed information including ticket number and customer DOB.

This will now allow a child (who was an infant on their outward journey) to travel on the original infant ticket.

Please note – this is a bmi only policy and should be applied only to bmi services. BD codeshare operated flights will apply the operating carrier’s rule regarding an infant travelling on the outbound sector who is a child upon the inbound sector, therefore you MUST check before advising a customer a customer as policies may differ.

**Infants travelling in child car seats**

Child car seats can be used for infants between the ages of 6 months and 3 years (infants under 6 months must be secured by means of a child restraint).

The car seat is subject to certain conditions regarding acceptance and fitting of the seat on the aircraft, as detailed below.

Infants using a car seat must pay the appropriate child's fare. Any manufacturers' car seat can be accepted provided the car seat:

- Is forward facing
- Has a well-defined shell and where there is a separate shell and under-structure they must be securely attached to each other
- Does not show any signs of having sustained damage
- Is of a width that allows the armrest to be lowered
- Has a single release type harness at least 1”/25mm wide, which at least secures a child’s lap, torso and shoulders (it need not necessarily be a 5-point harness).

For the car seat to be secured correctly to the aircraft seat, there must be access at the back of the car seat for the seat belt to go through.

The seat and its harness must be designed so that the child can easily and quickly be secured in or removed from it.

American child car seats are also accepted provided they have an “FAA approved” label attached and meet all of our requirements. On no account can a rearward facing car seat be accepted.

At least one seat adjacent to the child must be occupied by a physically able person, of not less than 14 years, who is responsible for the occupant of the child seat.

**Bassinets for use by babies between 9 to 12 months**

To assist accompanying adults on some midhaul services, all bmi Airbus A330 aircraft are fitted with bassinets for use by babies from approximately 9 to 12 months old.

- To use the bassinets safely, the babies body length should be no more than 650mm (25”) and the baby should weigh no more than 11kgs (24lbs)
- Bassinets are available in the following seats on the A330: 10A/C, 10H/K, 20A/C, 20H/K, 28D/E and 28F/G.
Please note, the bassinet usually swings out from a bulkhead position and spreads across two seats in the rows shown above.

Please note, babies may not be accepted for travel within the first 7 days after birth. Premature and/or unhealthy babies may only be accepted for travel after medical clearance and a qualified escort (e.g. doctor, nurse) must accompany them.

Before requesting a bassinet an infant must be attached to the PNR. Seat numbers should be requested in the rows above with an SSR remark to request a bassinet. This should confirm automatically if available.