Can I bring a firearm with me?  

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FIREARM AND AMMUNITION RULES

1. Firearms, ammunition and firearm parts may be transported by passengers 18 years or older in a checked bag on domestic flights in the U.S., but are not allowed to be carried on to flights. To guarantee that your firearm or ammunition get to the same place you’re going, be sure to have them in a checked bag. Otherwise, they will get confiscated at security.

2. Neither firearms nor ammunition are allowed on international flights, even if they are in a checked bag.

3. All firearms must be unloaded at time of travel.

4. When you’re checking in, be sure to declare that you have a firearm in your bag to the customer service representative at the ticket counter.

5. Your firearm must be packed in a hard-sided, locked container (or suitcase), or a hard-sided, locked gun case. The container must be able to lock securely and only able to be unlocked by you (occasionally, a TSA screener will need to examine a firearm, in which case you will need to provide the combination or key to the case to the security personnel).

6. One passenger is allowed to check up to 11 pounds of ammunition.

7. All ammunition must be securely packed in either the original manufacturer’s packaging, a fiber (such as cardboard), wood, or metal box, or other specially designed packaging.

8. Ammunition may be packed in magazines or clips if the exposed portion is covered or sealed (i.e. sealed with duct tape), or the magazine/clip is placed in a pouch, holder, holster, or lanyard. All ammunition must be secure.

9. Ammunition may be packed in the same hard-sided, locked, firearm case, provided it is packed as described.

10. Black powder and percussion caps used with black-powder type firearms are not allowed in carry-on or checked baggage.

We take the safety and security of our passengers and employees very seriously. These regulatory requirements are strictly enforced to help us maintain a safe environment. Any violators of these rules can face criminal prosecution and the imposition of civil penalties of up to $10,000 per violation.