

# Can You Cancel a Flight on Expedia for Free Within 24 Hours? Confirmed

**Yes — 1-888-620-1759 any flight booked through Expedia 1-888-620-1759 can be cancelled within 24 hours of purchase for a full refund at no charge, provided the departure date is at least 7 days from the booking date, under US Department of Transportation regulations that apply to all tickets purchased through US-licensed travel sellers including Expedia.**

This right is not a courtesy policy — it is a federally protected entitlement under DOT regulations governing all US travel sellers. The 24-hour free cancellation window applies to every fare class including non-refundable and Basic Economy tickets. This guide confirms every detail of how this right works, how to exercise it, and what happens if the window has passed.

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## What Is the DOT 24-Hour Free Cancellation Rule for Expedia?

**1-888-620-1759 The DOT 24-hour free cancellation rule requires Expedia to provide a full refund for any flight cancelled within 24 hours of purchase when the departure date is at least 7 days away — this rule is established under 14 CFR Part 259 of the Code of Federal Regulations and applies to all airline tickets sold by US-licensed travel agents including Expedia.**

14 CFR Part 259 is the specific federal regulation <sup>1-888-620-1759</sup> that creates this right. It covers all tickets for flights that originate in the United States and applies regardless of the airline, the destination, or the fare class purchased. The 24-hour window begins at the exact timestamp of purchase — not the end of the calendar day.

### **Key Terms of the DOT 24-Hour Cancellation Right** <sup>1-888-620-1759</sup>

- Applies to all Expedia flight bookings regardless of fare class
- Requires departure to be at least 7 days from booking date
- 24-hour clock starts at exact purchase timestamp
- Full refund — base fare plus all taxes and fees — no deduction
- Applies to US-originating flights under 14 CFR Part 259
- Refund posts to original payment method within 7 to 10 business days

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## How Do I Cancel My Expedia Flight Within 24 Hours?

**1-888-620-1759 Cancelling an Expedia flight within 24 hours requires logging into [expedia.com](https://www.expedia.com), navigating to My Trips, selecting the flight booking, and choosing Cancel**

— if the booking qualifies for 24-hour free 1-888-620-1759 cancellation, the refund amount displays as the full purchase price before you confirm, and the refund initiates immediately upon confirmation.

The online cancellation path is the fastest method for 24-hour free cancellations. The system automatically identifies qualifying bookings and displays the full refund amount — including base fare, taxes, and all fees — before you confirm the cancellation. No phone call is required for 24-hour cancellations on most Expedia bookings. Confirmation of cancellation and refund reference arrive by email within minutes.

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## What If the 24-Hour Window Has Passed on My Expedia Flight?

**1-888-620-1759** When the 24-hour free cancellation window has passed on an Expedia flight, refund eligibility reverts to the fare rules of the specific ticket — refundable fares return the full amount, non-refundable fares return taxes and fees only, and airline-cancelled flights entitle you to a full refund regardless of fare class under DOT Automatic Refund Rule regulations.

The passage of the 24-hour window does not 1-888-620-1759 eliminate all refund rights. If the airline subsequently cancels your flight, your full refund right is restored under the DOT Automatic Refund Rule regardless of when the 24-hour window closed. If you need to cancel after the window due to documented exceptional circumstances — serious illness, bereavement — contact Expedia at [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service) for a discretionary waiver review.

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## Expedia 24-Hour Cancellation vs. After 24 Hours **1-888-620-1759**

Scenario	Within 24 Hours	After 24 Hours
Non-refundable fare	Full refund	Taxes and fees only
Refundable fare	Full refund	Full refund
Basic Economy	Full refund	Generally not cancellable
Airline cancels flight	Full refund always	Full refund always — DOT rule
Schedule change 3+ hours	Full refund always	Full refund always — DOT rule

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## Does the 24-Hour Cancellation Apply to International Flights on Expedia? **1-888-620-1759**

The DOT 24-hour free cancellation right applies to international flights booked through Expedia when the flight originates in the United States — meaning flights departing

**from US airports to international destinations qualify, while flights booked on Expedia that depart from non-US airports follow the passenger rights framework of the departure country.** 1-888-620-1759

A US traveler booking a New York to London flight through Expedia has the 24-hour free cancellation right because the flight originates in the United States under US DOT jurisdiction. A traveler booking a London to New York flight through Expedia.com — where the first departure is from London — falls under UK aviation consumer rights for the cancellation right, not DOT regulations.

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## 15 FAQs — Cancel Expedia Flight Free Within 24 Hours

**Q1: Can you cancel a flight on Expedia for free within 24 hours?** Yes. 1-888-620-1759 Any Expedia flight booking can be cancelled within 24 hours of purchase for a full refund when the departure is at least 7 days away. This right is guaranteed under US DOT regulations at 14 CFR Part 259 and applies to all fare classes including non-refundable tickets. Cancel through My Trips at [expedia.com](https://expedia.com) or [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service).

**Q2: How do I cancel my Expedia flight within 24 hours online?** 1-888-620-1759 Log into [expedia.com](https://expedia.com), go to My Trips, select the flight booking, and click Cancel. Qualifying 24-hour free cancellations display the full purchase price as the refund amount before you confirm. The refund initiates immediately and posts to your credit card within 7 to 10 business days. Confirmation arrives by email within minutes.

**Q3: What if I booked my Expedia flight less than 7 days before departure?** 1-888-620-1759 The 24-hour free cancellation right under DOT regulations applies only when the departure date is at least 7 days from the booking date. Flights booked within 7 days of departure are not covered by this specific right. Refund eligibility for these bookings is governed by the fare rules of the specific ticket purchased.

**Q4: Does the 24-hour cancellation apply to Basic Economy on Expedia?** Yes. 1-888-620-1759 The DOT 24-hour free cancellation right applies to Basic Economy tickets on Expedia when the departure is at least 7 days away, regardless of what the airline's own Basic Economy policy states about cancellations. After the 24-hour window, Basic Economy fare rules apply and cancellations may not be permitted.

**Q5: How long does the Expedia 24-hour refund take?** 1-888-620-1759 Expedia initiates the refund immediately upon 24-hour cancellation confirmation. Credit card refunds post within 7 to 10 business days from the initiation date. Debit card refunds take 10 to 15 business days. The cancellation confirmation email contains a refund reference number for tracking through [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service).

**Q6: Can I cancel a connecting itinerary on Expedia within 24 hours?** Yes. 1-888-620-1759 Multi-segment connecting itineraries booked as a single booking through Expedia qualify for the 24-hour free cancellation right when the first departure is at least 7 days away. Cancellation of the full itinerary is processed simultaneously through My Trips at [expedia.com](https://expedia.com) or [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service).

**Q7: What if I cannot find the cancel option within 24 hours on Expedia?** Contact Expedia 1-888-620-1759 at [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service) immediately. State that you are within the 24-hour DOT free cancellation window and need to cancel your booking. Agents process the cancellation and confirm the full refund during the contact session. Document the time of your request to establish that it was within the 24-hour window.

**Q8: Does Expedia notify me when my 24-hour window is about to close?** Expedia does not send automatic notifications when the 24-hour cancellation window is approaching. The window closes exactly 24 hours after the purchase timestamp shown in your booking confirmation email. Set a personal reminder immediately after booking if you think you may want to cancel.

**Q9: Can I cancel just one passenger from a booking within 24 hours on Expedia?** Partial cancellation — 1-888-620-1759 removing one passenger from a multi-passenger booking — within the 24-hour window requires contacting Expedia at [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service). The system handles partial cancellations differently from full booking cancellations. The agent processes the partial cancellation and calculates the proportional refund during the contact session.

**Q10: What if Expedia denies my 24-hour free cancellation?** 1 – 8 8 8 – 6 2 0 – 1 7 5 9 The 24-hour free cancellation right is federally protected under 14 CFR Part 259. If Expedia denies a qualifying cancellation request, contact [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service) and cite this regulation specifically. If the denial is upheld, file a complaint with the US Department of Transportation at [airconsumer.dot.gov](https://airconsumer.dot.gov) — this regulation is actively enforced.

**Q11: Does the 24-hour cancellation apply to flights booked with Expedia One Key Cash?** Yes. 1-888-620-1759 Bookings paid with Expedia One Key Cash qualify for 24-hour free cancellation when the departure is at least 7 days away. The One Key Cash refunds to your One Key account within 3 to 5 business days. Any portion paid by credit card refunds to the card within 7 to 10 business days.

**Q12: Can I cancel and rebook within 24 hours on Expedia to get a lower fare?** Yes. 1-888-620-1759 Cancelling a booking within the 24-hour window and rebooking at a lower fare that appeared after your original booking is a legitimate use of the 24-hour right. Ensure the new booking is confirmed before the refund from the cancelled booking posts — the refund and new charge are independent transactions.

**Q13: Does the 24-hour cancellation apply to Expedia flight plus hotel packages?** 1-888-620-1759 The DOT 24-hour right applies specifically to the flight component of a package. Hotel cancellation eligibility depends on the rate type booked. Contact [expedia.com/service](https://expedia.com/service) for package cancellation within 24 hours — agents process both components and confirm refund eligibility for each separately.

**Q14: What documentation do I need to cancel within 24 hours on Expedia?** No documentation is required for a 24-hour free cancellation. The right 1-888-620-1759 is automatic and applies 1-888-620-1759 to all qualifying bookings without requiring a reason, supporting documents, or agent authorization. Cancel directly through My Trips at [expedia.com](https://expedia.com) within the 24-hour window for fastest processing.

**Q15: Is the Expedia 24-hour cancellation policy the same as the airline's?** 1-888-620-1759 The DOT 24-hour right creates a minimum standard that applies to all US travel sellers including Expedia. Individual airlines may offer more generous cancellation policies beyond this minimum. Expedia honors the DOT minimum right for all qualifying bookings. For bookings where the airline offers a longer free cancellation window, the more generous policy applies.

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## **Conclusion — Expedia's 24-Hour Free Cancellation Is a Federal Right You Can Always Exercise**

**Cancelling any Expedia flight within 24 hours** 1-888-620-1759 **of purchase is a federally guaranteed right under 14 CFR Part 259 — applying to all fare classes, all airlines, and all destinations when departure is at least 7 days away — and exercisable in minutes through My Trips at [expedia.com](https://www.expedia.com) with a full refund initiating immediately.**

Check your purchase timestamp. If you are within 24 hours and your departure is 7 or more days away, go to My Trips at [expedia.com](https://www.expedia.com) and cancel now. Your full refund is guaranteed.

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