

Unaccompanied Minor (UM) Information

All airlines have rules and regulations about children travelling alone or unaccompanied by an adult. Some airlines, such as Easyjet, will not allow children to travel alone under a certain age. Other airlines will not allow your children to travel alone without using their Unaccompanied Minor service. Most will offer it as an option for older children if you need it.

Overleaf is our quick guide to the most frequently used airline policies, but please check directly with the carrier itself for the latest information.

Each airline will also have restrictions on which airports their service is available at, their own charges etc., so please check their website very carefully for details and booking conditions.

If you book a UM service, please ensure that you have paid for the service BOTH WAYS (if required) and have completed an Unaccompanied Minor Form for each leg of their journey. This form will be provided to you by your airline. **This should include details of the person collecting them at their home airport.**

Not all airlines provide a UM service and different rules and age limits apply, so please check with your airline.

Different travel requirements by country

Some countries do not allow children under a certain age to travel unaccompanied regardless of an airline's policy on children travelling alone.

For example: **children under 14 years of age travelling on an Italian passport cannot travel unaccompanied with any airline.**



ID, DOCUMENTATION AND VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR MINORS TRAVELLING ALONE

Each country also has specific requirements for children travelling without their parents or legal guardian in terms of written travel consent and ID. Please check this with your airline or Embassy/Consulate.

AIRLINE UNACCOMPANIED MINOR (UM) POLICY QUICK GUIDE

Airline	Allowed to travel alone	Must travel with an adult or as a UM	UM Service Available	Weblink
AIR FRANCE	From age 15	Under 15	Yes	http://www.airfrance.co.uk/GB/en/common/guidevoyageur/assistance/enfant_seul_um.htm
AIR IBERIA	From age 12	Under 12	Yes	http://www.iberia.com/gb/fly-with-iberia/minors/
ALITALIA	From age 15	Under 15	Yes	https://www.alitaliaagent.com/unaccompanied-minor.cfm
BRITISH AIRWAYS	From age 14	Under 14	No	http://www.britishairways.com/en-gb/information/special-assistance/children-travelling-alone
EASYJET	From age 16	Under 16	No	https://www.easyjet.com/en/help/preparing-to-fly/flying-with-children
EUROSTAR	From age 12	Under 12	No but between 12-17 must travel with UM form (free of charge)	https://help.eurostar.com/faq/uk-en/question/Can-my-child-travel-alone-If-so-what-travel-documents-are-required Authorisation de sortie de territoire (AST): https://www.service-public.fr/simulateur/calcul/15646-01
LUFTHANSA	From age 12	Under 12	Yes	https://www.lufthansa.com/gb/en/unaccompanied-minors
RYANAIR	From age 16	Under 16	No	https://www.ryanair.com/gb/en/useful-info/help-centre/faq-overview/Travelling-with-children/T&C-does-Ryanair-carry-unaccompanied-minors

This was correct at the time of compiling this database, but please check with the airline directly.