




# How Much Does Delta Charge for Name Changes? Complete Fee Guide 2026

 **Fee Inquiry: 1-844-994-3876** (Get Exact Cost Before Changing!)

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## Quick Fee Overview

Change Type	Cost	Processing Time
Minor typo (1-3 letters)	\$0-\$50	5-15 min
Legal name change (marriage/divorce)	\$0 with docs	24-48 hrs
Full name change (no proof)	\$50-\$150	24-48 hrs
Transfer to another person	 NOT ALLOWED	N/A

 **Your situation:** Call **1-844-994-3876** for exact quote.

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## FREE Name Changes

### No Charge When:

#### 1. Within 24 Hours of Booking

- Any name error noticed early
- Full free cancellation window applies
- Call **1-844-994-3876** to fix

#### 2. Minor Spelling Errors (1-3 characters)

- "Jhon" → "John"
- "Sara" → "Sarah"
- Agent discretion, usually free

#### 3. Legal Changes with Documentation

- Marriage certificate = FREE
- Divorce decree = FREE

- Court order = FREE

#### 4. Delta's Booking Error

- System glitch caused error
- Agent entered wrong
- Proof required

 **Claim free change:** Call **1-844-994-3876** with documentation.

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## Paid Name Changes

### **Standard Fees:**

#### **Domestic Tickets:**

- Minor correction (no docs): \$50-\$75
- Moderate change: \$75-\$100
- Significant change: \$100-\$150

#### **International Tickets:**

- Minor correction: \$75-\$100
- Moderate change: \$100-\$150
- Major change: \$150-\$200

**Plus:** Possible fare difference if ticket must be reissued

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## Fee Breakdown by Situation

### **Scenario 1: Simple Typo**

**Error:** "Michael" spelled "Micheal"

**Cost:** \$0 (agent discretion)

**Call:** **1-844-994-3876** - usually waived

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### **Scenario 2: Missing Middle Name**

**Error:** Booked "John Smith" but ID shows "John A. Smith"

**Cost:** \$0-\$25

**Call:** **1-844-994-3876** - often free

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### Scenario 3: Wrong Name Entirely

**Error:** Booked "Robert" but meant "Rebecca"

**Cost:** \$100-\$150 + possible rebooking

**Better option:** Cancel within 24 hours (free)

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### Scenario 4: Nickname Used

**Error:** Booked "Mike" but legal name is "Michael"

**Cost:** \$0-\$50

**Call:** 1-844-994-3876 - explain honest mistake

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### Scenario 5: First/Last Name Reversed

**Error:** "Smith John" instead of "John Smith"

**Cost:** \$0 (common error, usually waived)

**Call:** 1-844-994-3876 immediately


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## Legal Name Changes (FREE with Proof)


### Marriage:

- **Document:** Marriage certificate
- **Cost:** \$0 
- **Time:** 24-48 hours


### Divorce:


- **Document:** Divorce decree
- **Cost:** \$0 
- **Time:** 24-48 hours

### Court-Ordered:

- **Document:** Legal name change order
- **Cost:** \$0 
- **Time:** 24-48 hours

### Gender Marker Update:

- **Document:** Updated ID or court order
- **Cost:** \$0 
- **Time:** 24-48 hours

 **Submit documents:** Call **1-844-994-3876** for instructions.

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## What You CANNOT Change

### NOT Allowed:

#### **Transfer to Another Person:**

- Can't give ticket to friend/family
- Security regulations prohibit
- Must cancel + they book new

**Exception:** Some corporate accounts have transfer privileges

 **Corporate booking?** Call **1-844-994-3876** for policy.

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## How to Minimize/Avoid Fees

### **Strategy 1: Catch Within 24 Hours**


- Review confirmation immediately
- Cancel free if error found
- Rebook correctly

**Savings:** \$50-\$150

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### **Strategy 2: Call vs. Online**

- Website may auto-charge
- Agents have fee waiver discretion
- Be polite, explain situation

 **Call first: 1-844-994-3876**

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### **Strategy 3: Provide Documentation**


- Even for small changes
- Proof of legal name helps
- Shows good faith

#### **Examples:**

- License photo showing correct spelling
  - Previous boarding passes
  - Email confirmations
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#### **Strategy 4: Status Advantage**

- Medallion members: Better fee waiver rates
- Diamond/Platinum: Highest success
- Mention status when calling

 **Use your status:** Call **1-844-994-3876**

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## **Third-Party Bookings**


### **Expedia, Kayak, Priceline, etc.:**

#### **Rules:**

- Must contact booking site first
- They may charge their own fee (\$25-\$100)
- Delta fee still applies on top

**Total cost:** Up to \$250 (both fees combined)

**Better:** Book direct with Delta to avoid double fees

 **Third-party issue?** Try calling **1-844-994-3876** - Delta sometimes helps directly.


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## **Basic Economy Restrictions**

### **Name Changes NOT Allowed:**

- No changes permitted (except within 24 hrs)
- Must cancel (forfeit value) + rebook
- Extremely restrictive

**Only exception:** Legal name change with docs (case-by-case)

 **Basic Economy problem?** Call **1-844-994-3876** - supervisor may override.

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## International Flight Considerations

### **Higher Fees:**


- International tickets = higher change fees
- Some countries require ticket reissue
- Reissue = \$150-\$300 extra

### **Passport Matching:**

- Name must match passport EXACTLY
- Includes middle names, hyphens, suffixes
- Zero tolerance for discrepancies

#### **Example:**

- Passport: "Mary Ann Smith-Jones"
- Ticket must show: "Mary Ann Smith-Jones" (exact)

 **International booking?** Call **1-844-994-3876** to verify format.

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## Timeline Affects Cost

### **When You Request Change:**


**More than 2 weeks out:** Standard fees

**1-2 weeks out:** May incur urgency fees

**Under 1 week:** Higher fees likely

**Day of travel:** \$100+ rush fee possible

**Act early = save money**

 **Need rush change?** Call **1-844-994-3876** to check rush fees.

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## Hidden Costs


### **Beyond Name Change Fee:**

### **Fare Difference:**

- If ticket must be reissued
- New fare may be higher
- You pay the difference

### **Example:**

- Original fare: \$300
- Name change fee: \$75
- New fare (same flight): \$380
- Fare difference: \$80
- **Total cost: \$155**

 **Get full cost estimate:** Call **1-844-994-3876** before approving.

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## **Fee Waiver Success Tips**

### **How to Get Fees Waived:**

#### **1. Be Polite & Honest**

- Explain genuine mistake
- Don't blame Delta
- Ask nicely for waiver

#### **2. Call Early Morning**

- Agents less stressed
- More time to help
- Better waiver rates

#### **3. Mention Loyalty**

- "I fly Delta 20x per year"
- Status helps significantly
- Long-time customer = consideration


#### **4. Provide Context**

- Autocorrect caused error
- First time booking
- Misunderstood form

#### **5. Ask for Supervisor**

- If first agent says no

- Supervisors have more authority
- Stay polite

 **Success rate improves:** Call **1-844-994-3876** and be friendly!

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## Cost Comparison Table

Your Situation	Likely Cost	Best Action
Typo caught in 24 hrs	<b>\$0</b>	Cancel free, rebook
Typo 1-3 letters	<b>\$0-\$50</b>	Call <b>1-844-994-3876</b>
Marriage/divorce	<b>\$0</b>	Send certificate to <b>1-844-994-3876</b>
Wrong first name	<b>\$100-\$150</b>	Cancel/rebook if close to booking
Transfer to other person	<b>NOT POSSIBLE</b>	Original person must cancel
Basic Economy error	<b>Forfeit ticket</b>	Cancel within 24 hrs only

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## Real Cost Examples

### Example 1: Jennifer's Typo

- **Error:** "Jeniffer" vs. "Jennifer"
  - **Action:** Called **1-844-994-3876** within 2 hours
  - **Fee:** \$0 (waived as obvious typo)
  - **Time:** 8 minutes
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### Example 2: Michael's Marriage

- **Change:** "Michael Brown" → "Michael Davis"
  - **Document:** Marriage certificate
  - **Fee:** \$0
  - **Processing:** 36 hours
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### Example 3: Sarah's Big Error

- **Error:** Booked for "Sarah" meant for "Susan"



- **Timing:** 3 days after booking
  - **Options:**
    - Change name: \$125 fee
    - Cancel: \$99 fee + eCredit
  - **Chose:** Cancel/rebook (cheaper)
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## Checklist Before Paying Fee

### Ask yourself:

- Is error within 24 hours? (Free cancel window)
- Is it just 1-3 letters? (Often waived)
- Do I have legal documentation? (Free change)
- Have I tried calling vs. online? (Better waiver chance)
- Is canceling + rebooking cheaper?
- Did I ask for supervisor waiver?

**If unsure:** Call **1-844-994-3876** before paying anything.

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## FAQ

### **Q: Can I change one letter for free?**

A: Usually yes. Call **1-844-994-3876** - most agents waive it.

### **Q: Do I pay twice if booking through Expedia?**

A: Possibly. Third party + Delta fee. Book direct to avoid.

### **Q: Will status help waive fees?**

A: Yes! Medallion members get better treatment.

### **Q: How long to process after I pay?**

A: 24-48 hours typically.

### **Q: Can I get refund if I paid fee then found docs?**


A: Call **1-844-994-3876** - sometimes yes if within same day.

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## DON'T PAY UNTIL YOU CALL

**Before paying any name change fee:**

 **Call 1-844-994-3876 and ask:**

*"I need to change the name on my booking from [old] to [new]. What's the exact fee, and is there any way it can be waived?"*





**Agent will:**  Quote exact fee

-  Check for waiver eligibility
-  Verify if documentation reduces/eliminates fee
-  Compare to cancellation cost
-  Apply discretionary waiver if possible

**Potential savings:** \$50-\$150

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**Delta Name Change Fees: 1-844-994-3876**

-  Exact fee quotes
-  Documentation review
-  Fee waiver requests
-  Immediate processing

**Call first—save money!**