

Involuntary Change Policy



SUBJECT:

Iberia Tickets (075) policy and procedures in case of schedule change and/or flight cancellations for flights programmed from **28 March 2021⁽¹⁾**. For group bookings, please proceed according to the group's specific terms and conditions.

DEFINITION:

This policy applies to any booking that has been affected by a schedule change or a cancellation.

Schedule changes: variations of the original flight departure or arrival time whenever connecting flights in the same booking or in a separate 075 Iberia ticket are affected. Also, any change of more than 1 hour in the original connection time is considered a schedule change.

Iberia Group: flights operated by next carriers: Iberia (IB), Air Nostrum (YW), Iberia Express (I2) and Level BCN.

Downgrading: change of cabin to a lower one.

PNR Flight Status:

UN – Flight Cancellation.

TK – Schedule Change.

UN+TK- Flight Number or Operating Carrier change. It can also include Schedule change. Downgrading.

Important: Any action not covered in this policy is subject to **ADM**.

2 **Notes:**

(1) Except for US/PR where it applies to tickets issued from 28 MAR 2021

CHANGES	TIMES	ALTERNATIVES	LEGEND
SCHEDULE CHANGE	<p>✈ SH ✈ LH</p> <p>< 1H < 3H</p>	✓ ok	ok Acceptance of flight reprotection
	<p>> = 1H < 5H > = 3H < 5H</p>	✓ ok ↻ ✈	↻ Flight Change +/- 30 Days Without penalty or fare difference. Apply fare difference if > 30 Days
	<p>> = 5H</p>	✓ ok ↻ ✈ €	✈ Voucher refunds 12 months valid
FLIGHT NUMBER CHANGE (independent of operating carrier)		✓ ok	€ Refunds
FLIGHT NUMBER & SCHEDULE CHANGE	<p>< 1H</p>	✓ ok	SH Short - Medium Haul
	<p>> = 1H</p>	✓ ok ↻ ✈ €	LH Long Haul
CANCELLATION/ DOWNGRADING/ MISSED CONNECTION		✓ ↻ ✈ €	

SCENARIOS / ALTERNATIVES (please take into consideration that not following the policy herein can imply penalties or ADMs)

1- Acceptance of flight re-protection

If the solution works for the passenger, the re-protection should be accepted. Any change made after the acceptance of the protection offered by Iberia will be ruled by the fare conditions.

2-Flight Change

If the flight offered as re-protection is not accepted, the agency can offer a change of date/flight in the same cabin with a maximum of 30 days before or after the originally scheduled flight without change fee nor fare difference. For changes of more than 30 days and/or cabin changes, change fee does not apply but fare difference must be collected. Route changes are permitted with a maximum of 150 miles, even if it implies a country change. In case of route changes, Iberia will not be responsible for ground transportation. The change has to be completed before the date of the affected/cancelled flight. After the mentioned flight changes, the fare rule will apply. These changes could be managed through www.iberia.com, Manage My Booking (MMB) in the scenarios shown in the following table ⁽²⁾:

Free change through MMB	
Direct or connecting flights (Operating IB Group)	Flights with several routes
OPENJAW Flights (Operating IB Group)	Flights operated by other carriers in codeshare with IB
NDC Bookings	Interline flights (some flight in the booking does not have a shared code)
Resident Discount Booking	Bookings where outbound travel has commenced and the involuntary schedule change occurs in the middle of the trip
Bookings where travel has not commenced	Group Bookings
Bookings where outbound travel has commenced and the return is pending	Open MAD-BCN Shuttle
Previously reissued bookings	Bookings with Tour Operation (TO) and VFR (Visit Friends & Relatives) fares
Bookings Corporate Fares	
On Business Bookings	
On Business redemption bookings	
MAD-BCN shuttle Bookings	
Bookings with TKT and EMD ancillaries with different currency	
Flights operated by other carriers in codeshare with IB	
IMPORTANT: In the scenarios that MMB cannot take action, the client will be redirected to their agency.	

4 Notes:

⁽²⁾ When the change has been managed through Iberia website, the agency maintains control of the ticket for future changes but not for refunds. In these cases, the refund will have to be requested according to note 5.

Flight Changes Procedure:

A/ Iberia Group:

Agency will book in the same class. If there is no availability, it will be booked in the lowest class available in the same cabin on Iberia Group flights (except for classes U, T, X, E, G, P).

B/ Iberia group + Other Carriers *Whenever IB5000 bookings are involved, re-protection can only be completed on IB5000 or Iberia group.*

Agency will book in the same class and carriers. If there is no availability, it will be booked in the lowest class available in the same cabin and carriers. For IB Group, exclude classes: U, T, X, E, G, P.

If scenarios A and B are not possible and once the re-protection flight has been offered, the following solutions have to be offered in the following order and in the lowest available class, same cabin:

1. Re-protection on BA/AA Flights
2. Re-protection on One World operating carriers marketed by Iberia
3. Re-protection on One World carriers flights
4. Re-protection on different carriers marketed by Iberia (commercial authorization is needed)
5. Re-protection on Interline flights (commercial authorization is needed)

Agency should include the next Info in the booking:

Endorsement field (Amadeus – FE / Galileo and Worldspan – EB / Sabre – ED / Apollo – ER):

- INVOL CHANGE DUE SC FLIGHT Nº + Date

OSI Field (Amadeus – OS / Galileo and Worldspan – 3OSI / Sabre – 3OTH5).

- Example: (Amadeus) OSI IB INVOL CHANGE DUE SC FLIGHT IB3333 23APR21

Fare Calculation:

- Include S field- followed by original route when the change is done > 72 hours before flight.
- Include I field- followed by original route when the change happens = / < 72 hours before flight.
 - Example: (Amadeus) FC S- MAD IB MIA
 - FPO/INVOL CHANGE (when no payment / charge).
 - FPO/Original payment form + new payment form (when fare difference applies).

Agency will reissue without penalty or fare difference (with the exception of cases that exceed the range of +/- 30 days in which a difference fare will be charged if there is one).

3-Voucher Refund ⁽³⁾

Whenever the voucher applies, the agency can offer a refund via Voucher. Requests should be processed via 'Manage my booking' on Iberia.com without any previous process on the GDS.

In order to carry out this action, it is mandatory to include in the reservation the beneficiary's e-mail with OSI YY format.

Exemple: **OS YY email address** The following characters must be replaced in the email address format as:

@ (at sign) is replaced by // (two slashes)

_ (underscore) is replaced by : (colon)

- (middle dash) is replaced by ./ (dot + slash)

4-Refund

For IB group operated flights, whenever the client is not accepting the change alternatives nor the voucher, a refund to the original form of payment is possible when refunds are allowed ⁽⁴⁾.

For other carriers, a refund is still possible but cannot be self-managed⁽⁵⁾. In case of partially used tickets, the refund cannot be self-managed ⁽⁵⁾.

Notes:

⁽³⁾ Voucher applies for public fares. In case of net fares or bookings including SR CLID just date/route changes and refunds are possible whenever they apply.

⁽⁴⁾ Will be self-managed by the agency. Booking affected must be cancelled.

⁽⁵⁾ Agencies should be request to Iberia through:

Spain: www.iberiagencias.com , PNR affected must be cancelled previously.

USA: an email to iberiarefunds@lamberth.de should be sent. The PNR has to be cancelled previously.

ROW: through BSP LINK, PNR affected must be cancelled previously.

Important: It does not affect NDC bookings, which will be manage as usual.