# Europe / Middle East / Africa - Suspension of Service Update

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**Update Market Detail** 

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Remove dupe cities

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Remove LHR (current service DFW-LHR)

# **Travel Agency Guidelines**

American Airlines is offering protection for our ticketed customers who may be impacted by the temporary discontinuation of service between the U.S. and Europe / Middle East Africa.

# Affected Airports:

All airports affected by the temporary discontinuation of service to/from the following countries:

Croatia Hungary Netherlands
Czech Republic Iceland Poland
France Ireland Portugal
Germany Italy Spain
Greece Morocco Switzerland

United Kingdom

Please be guided by the following information:

AA (001) Tickets
Agency Procedures for
Service Between the United States

and Europe / Middle East / Africa

All Fares Published/Private/Leisure

Customers Ticketed On/Before: May 31, 2020

Effective for Ticketed Travel Dates:	Beginning March 1, 2020 through the Suspended Travel Date range for the applicable market	
	See Temporary Suspension of Service – Market Detail for suspended travel dates	
	Allowed now through December 31, 2021*	
New Travel Dates:	*For travel beyond ticket validity, see –Coronavirus Global Flexibility Waiver - Travel Notice Exception Policy	
	Same day as flight rebooking	
Reissue Ticket On/Before:	See Reissue Policy Information	
	Allowed	
	Change fee is waived	
Change Origin / Destination:	Fare difference applies	
	See Changes to Origin/Destination andReissue	
	Policy Information	
Itinerary Changes Maintaining the Same Origin and	Allowed	
Destination:	See Rebooking - Exception to Fare Rules	
Endorsement Box Requirements (ticket must be exchanged)	SKCHG/EUSUSP	
Temporary Suspension of Service - Market Detail	See Temporary Suspension of Service – Market Detail below	
Refund	See Refund Policy for available options	
Customer Contact Information:	Ensure the customer's telephone contact number and/or email address are updated in the reservation	

## Changes to Origin/Destination - Allowed\*

- Waive Change Fee
- For any changes made to the origin or destination, difference in fare will apply
- Changes to Connection and/or Stopover city are permitted, fare difference applies
- Effective for exchanges beginning March 23, 2020, if the new itinerary price is lower than the price on the original ticket, the residual amount may be refunded by: ARC agencies may issue residual value as an MCO
   BSP agencies may apply for the residual value voucher through their BSPLink Refund Application (RA)

The voucher will be issued in the name of the person on the ticket and mailed to the agency

\*Note: Change to Country of origin may be allowed if the fare on the new itinerary is published in the same currency as the ticketed fare. Leisure fares may be restricted to specific regions

#### **Reissue Policy Information**

American Airlines will waive change fees and travel agents may rebook and reissue tickets provided the below guidelines are met and applied:

Affected itinerary includes flights on: AA\*/AY, AA\*/BA, AA\*/IB, AA\*/JL, AA\*/QF

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Ticket issued on the following ticket stock: AA 001 only

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Applies to AA\*/oneworld flights

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The first departure flight is more than 3 hours away

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Affected coupons are in OK status

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Ticket reissuance must be in accordance to dates identified in the Suspension of Service policy

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In order to qualify for an even exchange, the new itinerary must be booked in the original ticketed inventory or equivalent RBD for the codeshare carrier. Reissue ticket at original ticketed fare

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Any change made to the origin or destination, a difference in fare will apply

More than one exchange is allowed within the suspension dates for the applicable ticketed market

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Original issuing agency responsible for ticket reissue

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Ticket Revalidation not permitted

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Changes outside of these guidelines are subject to the reissue rules of the ticketed fare. This includes any applicable additional collection for fare difference

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- Basic Economy Short-haul or Long-haul may be upgraded to main cabin or higher cabin fare in another BE fare is not available.
- Please ensure the above procedures are accurately followed to prevent debit memo issuance

#### Rebooking - Exception to Fare Rules

The below Fare Rule exceptions apply to date, flight, or time changes to the ticketed origin/destination only.

All fare rules apply, except:

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Advance Purchase requirement waived

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Minimum/Maximum Stay requirement waived

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Seasonality waived

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Day / Time restrictions waived

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If ticketed inventory or equivalent RBD is maintained, even exchange applies, agency may reissue ticket at original ticketed fare

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As with any schedule change, you may always maintain the original length of stay, keeping the unaffected segments in the original class of service (inventory). This change must occur at the time of the affected exchange.

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#### **Endorsement Box Requirement**

#### **Endorsement Box Policy**

Annotate new ticket with: SKCHG/EUSUSP

The above annotation is only required on the new ticket and supersedes required verbiage for the fare ticketed

Reissue: New ticket will have the same fare/fare basis as original ticket

Penalty: Change fee does not apply

## **Group Tickets**

Please contact Group and Meeting Travel or the Meeting Services Desk for assistance

## **Refund Policy**

Note: To qualify for refund, customer must have been Holding Confirmed (HK) at the time of the suspension

Schedule Change – Flight is Canceled Refund Request			
Type of Fare	Agency Procedures for Suspension of Service between U.S. and Europe / Middle East / Africa		
Travel agencies may refund to original form of payment:  Non-Refundable Fare Refundable Fare with cancellation Fee Basic Economy Fare Bulk/Opaque Fare Note: Tickets issued as Bulk (BT zero dollar ticket) must be referred back to the wholesaler/consolidator for refund, or may request refund from www.refunds.aa.com	Tickets will be refunded to the original form of payment (FOP)  Cancellation Penalty Fee and Change Fee is waived  Note: If the ticketed flight falls within the Effective Travel Dates, the ticket is eligible for refund  If not already cancelled, be sure to cancel the space prior to submitting for refund		
Refund in GDS			

ARC/IAR - Refund Exchange Notice (REN) and/or BSPLink - Refund Application (RA) Request must reflect:

U.S. agencies processing through ARC:

- Preferred Method: process through your GDS
- If unable to process through your GDS: may submit through ARC/IAR Refund Exchange Notification (REN) using the waiver code:SCRFND/EUSUSP

## International agencies processing through BSPLink:

- Preferred Method: process through your GDS
- If unable to process through your GDS: may submit through BSPLink Refund Application (RA) using the waiver code: SCRFND/EUSUSP

Penalty: Change fee does not apply

Note: If the ticket has been exchanged by American as an INVOL submit the refund request directly with American. Refer to American Airlines Refunds.

#### Temporary Suspension of Service - Market Detail

Suspended Travel Dates are subject to change

Note: Service resumption may include connecting service

Affected Airport	Schedule Change	Expected Resumption of Service	
AMS	Suspension	June 4, 2020	
ATH	Suspension	July 7, 2020	
BCN	Suspension	July 7, 2020	
CDG	Suspension	June 4, 2020	
DUB	Suspension	July 7, 2020	
FCO	Suspension	October 24, 2020	
FRA	Suspension	June 4, 2020	
MAD	Suspension	May 7, 2020	
MAN	Suspension	October 24, 2020	
MUC	Suspension	July 7, 2020	
MXP	Suspension	October 24, 2020	
ZRH	Suspension	July 8, 2020	

#### Additional Suspensions for Summer Season

Affected Airport	Schedule Change	Effective Date	Service Information
TXL	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
BUD	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer

CMN	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
DBV	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
EDI	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
KEF	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
KRK	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
LIS	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
PRG	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
SNN	Suspension	April 2, 2020	This route will not operate this summer
VCE	Suspension	March 10, 2020	This route will not operate this summer