

Travel Advisory – checking golf bags on small regional flights within Great Britain & Ireland

When flying smaller regional airlines within Great Britain & Ireland (such as connecting flights from Dublin to Edinburgh, for example), please note that their standard policy is to include your golf travel bag on these connecting flights only if there is space in their cargo hold, or if the bag is within the overall weight allowance for the plane. Whether you prepaid the bag-check fee will make no difference.

Because these shorter regional flights are on smaller planes (usually seating 48 or 72 people), there isn't as much cargo room as on the bigger jets used on the longer flights (such as the flights from the West Coast of the U.S. to Great Britain & Ireland).

If your golf travel bag does not make it onto the regional plane, the airline will make efforts to get your golf travel bag to you as soon as possible – it can be as quickly as within 24 hours, or as long as 8-10 business days.

So, in booking your regional connecting flights within Great Britain & Ireland, please be diligent in asking questions regarding the dependability of their luggage transfers. There are several regional airlines to choose from, such as [Aer Lingus](#), [Ryanair](#), [Loganair](#), [Flybe](#), and [British Airways](#).

Our recommendations:

- We have been advised by the airlines conducting the short regional flights that you will have a better chance of your golf travel bag being included on your flight if you travel on an afternoon flight. Evidently, the morning flights have the most luggage, so golf bags have the lowest priority on the morning flights.
- You may want to consider using a shipping service to ship your clubs. Through the PGA's dedicated travel partner, Sullivan Golf Travel, you will receive a 10 percent discount when shipping through Ship Sticks. For more information, please visit www.shipsticks.com/sullivan-golf-travel.

We want to ensure that your "trip of a lifetime" goes as smoothly as possible, and that you have your golf clubs with you for the entirety of your trip.