

How Do I Get From Dublin Airport to Dublin City Centre?

Read our guide to taxis, buses and tickets getting you from Dublin Airport to Dublin city.

The Basics - Dublin Airport 101

Some basic facts you should know about Dublin Airport.

- Publin is located 10km from Dublin Airport.
- The journey from Dublin Airport to Dublin takes 20-30 minutes by taxi or bus (in light traffic).
- Dublin Airport has 2 terminals, imaginatively named T1 and T2.
- Find taxi ranks outside both terminals.
- Multiple bus services link Dublin Airport to Dublin, as well as other major cities around Ireland. Find more details on where to find your bus below.
- No rail services operate from Dublin Airport.
- Most direct flights from North America land in T2 (*Aer Lingus, Delta, United, US Airways, American Airlines*). Check with your airline to see where you are landing.
- **Ryanair, Transat and Air Canada (as well as other airlines) flights land at T1. Check with your airline to see where you are landing.
- No public transport operates between T1 and T2. You can walk the short distance between Dublin Airport terminals in around 5 minutes. Find the link bridge in the departures level in T1 (beside the security screening point); or in the arrivals level in T2.



Our Recommended Option: Taxi



We recommend catching a taxi to and from Dublin Airport. Taxis hold several advantages over public transport.

- Door-to-door service. Taxis will drop you from outside Dublin Airport directly to your hotel in Dublin city centre.
- Taxis move fast through traffic. Dublin taxis use dedicated bus lanes to cut journey times.
- Both Dublin taxis and bus services operate 24 hours a day from Dublin Airport. But the wait for a taxi will most likely be shorter.
- Not travelling alone? Take a taxi. The standard taxi fare (between €20-30) makes sense if you are in a group. With more than two people, you will most likely save money over the equivalent bus tickets.
- Got lots of luggage? A taxi makes sense. Your taxi driver will load and unload your luggage, saving you the effort on public transport.



How much does it cost to travel by taxi from Dublin Airport to Dublin city centre?

The standard taxi fare from Dublin airport to Dublin city centre is between €20-30.

This rate can rise if you are travelling on an Irish public holiday or late at night. It could also be higher if your hotel is not in Dublin city centre. For example, a taxi from Dublin Airport to the <u>Jurys Inn Hotel, Parnell Street</u> (Irish Experience Tours pickup point) would cost between: €25-36.

Make sure your taxi driver is using the meter, mounted on the dashboard. Never agree a fixed price with a Dublin taxi driver unless you're confident it's fair.

If you're travelling as a group with lots of bags to a specific location, taking a taxi from Dublin Airport to Dublin city centre can be a great option.

Should I tip taxi drivers in Ireland?

In Ireland, tipping taxi drivers is not obligatory. However, rounding up your fare to the nearest €5 or €10 is a fairly common practice. As is the case with tipping in Ireland generally, it's up to you whether you tip or not.

PRO TIP: In a rush? Tired after your flight? Ask your taxi driver to take the <u>Dublin Port Tunnel</u>. This congestion-free shortcut can reduce the journey time between Dublin Airport and Dublin city centre by 10 minutes or more, depending on traffic elsewhere. Downside? You will be charged a small amount extra on your fare.

Where Can I Get A Taxi From Dublin Airport to Dublin City Centre?

Taxis are available in the forecourts directly outside both Terminal 1 and Terminal 2. Depending on when you arrive, there may be a queue. But the wait shouldn't take too long.

Dublin taxis are not a uniform colour or car brand, like in New York, for example. You'll recognise them from the yellow and blue illuminated sign, mounted on the roof.



You'll know a taxi is available if this roof sign is illuminated. A taxi without its roof sign on has passengers aboard, is booked to pick up elsewhere, and will not stop when you hail it.

How do I hail a Dublin taxi?

Simply raise your arm and wave it as the moving taxi approaches. No need to whistle!

Alternative Option 1. Aircoach



Aircoach is the only 24 hour coach service operating between Dublin Airport and Dublin city centre. The main Aircoach route (700) to the city centre departs every 15 minutes between 3.15am and 11.55pm. Outside of these times, its every 30 minutes.

PRO TIP: If you're staying at the Jurys Inn Hotel or close by, you need to take Aircoach route 700 (Dublin City Centre) or 700 (Lepardstown/Sandyford). Just



disembark at O Connell Street at Gresham Hotel stop (your driver will announce it). From there its only a 4 minute walk to the Jurys Inn Hotel on Parnell Street.

Map of Walking Route to Jurys Inn Hotel on Parnell Street to O Connell, Gresham Hotel Aircoach stop

If you're travelling solo, the Aircoach may be more cost efficient than taking a taxi. The cost is 7 for a single ticket or 12 for a return.

Where Do I Catch An Aircoach?

Aircoach picks up at the front door of both Terminals 1 and 2.

Terminal 1: When you exit T1, turn left immediately and you'll see the Aircoach stop.

Terminal 2: On exiting the baggage reclaim area, continue along the same level. Make sure to follow the signs for buses and coaches. Cross the footbridge, and then exit the escalator on the left side. There will be an Aircoach customer service team there to answer any questions.



Alternative Option 2. Airlink



The Airlink is an express public coach service from Dublin Airport to multiple locations throughout Dublin city centre. It's cheaper than Aircoach. However, in our, experience it's not as comfortable as Aircoach and not as convenient as a taxi.

Airlink accepts Leap Cards (see below). Without a Leap Card, it costs €6 one way or €11 return. Unlike other regular public Dublin bus services (see below), you don't need exact change. Do be mindful that <u>Airlink bus timetables are</u> different on Sundays and public holidays.

Airlink uses the Port Tunnel, which runs under much of the north side of the city. The service runs 7 days a week from 4.45am to 00.30am up to every 10 minutes.

Staying at the Jury's Inn Hotel or close by and taking the Airlink?

Are your staying at our pick-up/drop-off point at Jurys Inn Hotel? You'll want to catch the Airlink 747.



Tell your driver you need to get off at O Connell Street. It's a 8 minute walk from this bus stop to the Jurys Inn Hotel on Parnell Street. Route Map Here

Where Do I Get The Airlink From?

The Airlink goes from both Terminal 1 and Terminal 2. According to their website, Airlink will have staff there to meet and greet you.

Terminal 1: There is an Airlink information desk in the Arrivals hall. You can purchases your Airlink ticket there, at the Spar shop (a small convenience store located at Arrivals) or at the vending machines at the bus stop outside T1.

Terminal 2: You can purchase your ticket in the Spar convenience shop, to the right immediately as you emerge into Arrivals hall. Airlink staff will also assist you with any queries you might have.

See **JUST LANDED** section of their website

Check out all Airport shuttle bus options here.

Dublin Travel Card - Visitor Leap Card





Want discounted travel on bus, tram and rail services in Dublin? Pick up a Leap card.

These little green charge cards are small but mighty! They come in very handy if you're spending a few days in Dublin, allowing you to hop-on and off public transport.

Need another reason? Leap cards also work on public transport in the Irish cities of Galway, Waterford, Limerick and Cork.

Your best option is the <u>visitor Leap card</u>. It costs €10 for one day, €19.50 for three days and €40 for seven days - just select the option that best fits your timetable and budget.

You'll get unlimited travel on:

- Airlink 747 airport bus service
- All Dublin Bus scheduled services (not valid on tours)
- All Luas (tram) services
- DART (Dublin Area Rapid Transit) and Commuter Rail in the Short Hop Zone (all of Dublin city and county)

Where can I buy a visitor Leap Card in Dublin?

Well I'm glad you asked!

Once in Dublin, you can buy or top up a visitor Leap card in the following locations:

Dublin Airport

- Spar Shop (Terminal 2 Arrivals Aer Lingus, Delta, United, US Airways, American Airlines)
- Bus & Travel Information Desk (Terminal 1 Arrivals all other airlines)
- Discover Ireland Tourist Information Desk (Terminal 2 Arrivals)

Dublin City Centre

• Dublin Bus Offices, 59 Upper OConnell St



- Discover Ireland Centre, 14 Upper OConnell St
- Visit Dublin Centre, 25 Suffolk St

Find out more at Visitor Leap Card