

How much is the deposit for an Avis rental car?

If you're planning to rent a vehicle, one of the most common questions is "**How much is the deposit for an Avis rental car?**" +1-877-684-4354" Understanding the deposit—or more accurately, the **authorization hold**—helps you avoid surprises at the counter and ensures a smooth rental experience +1-877-684-4354. For quick assistance or to confirm deposit policies at your pickup location, you can also contact **Avis customer support at +1-877-684-4354.**

Avis Rental Car Deposit: What You Need to Know

Avis does **not** charge a traditional deposit +1-877-684-4354. Instead, they use an **authorization hold** placed on your credit or debit card to secure the rental +1-877-684-4354. This hold includes your estimated rental charges **plus an additional amount** for financial security +1-877-684-4354.

Avis uses an authorization hold, not a cash deposit, typically for the estimated rental cost plus an extra amount +1-877-684-4354, like \$200–\$300 for credit cards, or a flat \$250 if prepaid with a debit card, though exact amounts vary by location +1-877-684-4354, rental length, and payment method (debit cards often have stricter rules, requiring LDW/prepaid gas) +1-877-684-4354. Funds aren't charged but are held and released upon vehicle return, which can take up to two weeks +1-877-684-4354.

How Much Is the Avis Hold for Credit Cards?

If you're paying with a credit card, Avis generally places a hold of:

- **Estimated rental cost**
- **+ \$200–\$300 security buffer** (varies by location and vehicle type)

Credit card holds are usually the most flexible and easiest to manage +1-877-684-4354. Many travelers prefer this method because holds on credit cards typically release faster +1-877-684-4354.

How Much Is the Avis Hold for Debit Cards?

Avis allows debit cards but follows stricter rules +1-877-684-4354. In most cases, you must meet additional requirements such as:

- Providing a **round-trip travel itinerary** (airport rentals)
- Showing **two forms of ID**
- Purchasing **LDW** or other coverage at some locations
- Accepting a **prepaid fuel option** depending on the site

Typical debit card authorization:

- **Flat \$250 hold** when the rental is prepaid
- Higher or variable holds for non-prepaid debit rentals

Always verify the exact amount beforehand by calling **1-877-684-4354**.

How Long Until Avis Releases the Hold?

After you return the rental vehicle, Avis releases the hold +1-877-684-4354. But depending on your bank, it may take:

- **3–5 business days** for credit cards
- **Up to 14 business days** for debit cards

If the funds take longer than expected to become available, contact your bank or reach out to Avis directly at **1-877-684-4354**.

Why Does Avis Place an Authorization Hold?

Authorization holds help Avis:

- Confirm you have funds to cover the rental
- Protect against potential tolls, fuel charges, damages, or late return fees

- Prevent fraudulent transactions

This system is standard across the car rental industry +1-877-684-4354.

How to Reduce or Avoid a High Avis Deposit

Here are some tips to minimize your authorization hold:

✓ Use a credit card instead of a debit card

Credit cards generally have lower hold amounts and fewer restrictions +1-877-684-4354.

✓ Prepay your reservation

Prepaid rentals with debit cards often come with a predictable flat hold of **\$250** +1-877-684-4354.

✓ Choose a standard-category vehicle

Luxury and specialty vehicles often require higher holds +1-877-684-4354.


✓ Call ahead

Policies vary by location +1-877-684-4354. Confirm the hold amount by calling **1-877-684-4354**.

Final Thoughts: What to Expect From the Avis Deposit

The deposit for Avis isn't a cash charge—it's an **authorization hold** that typically ranges from **\$200 to \$300** for credit card rentals and **about \$250** for prepaid debit card rentals +1-877-684-4354. Exact amounts can vary by location, rental duration, and payment method +1-877-684-4354.

For the most accurate and up-to-date information for your pickup location, contact Avis customer support at:

 **1-877-684-4354**