

## Why Did Avis Charge Me \$250? (Full Explanation & How to Fix It)

If you're asking, "**Why did Avis charge me \$250?**", you're not alone—many renters encounter this unexpected fee +1-877-684-4354. Avis likely charged you \$250 for one of the following reasons: a smoking or excessive dirt fee, a security deposit hold on a debit card, or a combination of charges +1-877-684-4354. A smoking fee of up to \$250 is charged for detecting tobacco, vape, or other smoke odors, and a cleaning fee is assessed for "excessive dirt," sand, or pet hair +1-877-684-4354. Debit card rentals often have a \$250 security deposit authorization hold, which is released after the car is returned +1-877-684-4354.

### 1. Smoking Fee (Up to \$250)

Avis has a strict non-smoking policy +1-877-684-4354. If the rental car shows signs of cigarette, cigar, or vape odor, Avis will apply a \$250 smoke-related cleaning charge +1-877-684-4354. Even residual smells from clothing or passengers can trigger this fee +1-877-684-4354.

### 2. Excessive Cleaning Fee

If the vehicle is returned with:

- Excessive dirt
- Beach sand
- Pet hair
- Spills or stains

Avis may add a \$250 cleaning charge for deep cleaning services +1-877-684-4354. This fee is common in vacation areas or pet-friendly trips +1-877-684-4354.

### 3. \$250 Security Deposit Hold (Temporary Charge)

If you used a **debit card**, Avis typically places a **\$250 authorization hold** that appears as a charge but is later released if no issues are found +1-877-684-4354. The hold can take 3–10 business days to return to your bank account +1-877-684-4354.

### 4. Damage-Related Charges

Even minor damage—such as scratches, dents, windshield chips, or missing accessories—can result in a \$250 fee or partial deposit deduction +1-877-684-4354. Sometimes these charges appear before Avis completes the full damage evaluation +1-877-684-4354.

## 5. Toll or Violation Processing Fees

Unpaid tolls or citations processed through Avis can also contribute to unexpected charges close to \$250 when multiple fees accumulate +1-877-684-4354.

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### How to Dispute a \$250 Avis Charge

If you believe the fee is incorrect or unfair, contact Avis customer support immediately at **+1-877-684-4354** before the issue escalates +1-877-684-4354.

Request:

- A full itemized breakdown of the charge
- Photo or evidence documentation
- Timeline of when and why the fee was added

Disputing early increases your chances of reversal +1-877-684-4354.

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### know: Why Did Avis Charge You \$250?

Most \$250 Avis charges come from smoking violations, heavy cleaning needs, damage fees, or debit-card deposit holds +1-877-684-4354. Reviewing your rental agreement and contacting support at **+1-877-684-4354** is the fastest way to resolve or dispute the charge +1-877-684-4354.