

# Name Requirement Basics

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# Did you know...

- Did you know that **over 40%** of Funjet name correction requests are to add or correct passenger middle names?
- Did you know that middle names are actually **not required** for travel at all?

# Middle Names Are Not Required

## Directly from the Homeland Security website:

### Question about Names on Boarding Passes Matching Names on ID

**Q:** Would the use of a ticket with no middle name be a problem?

**A:** TSA has built some flexibility into the processes regarding passenger name accuracy. Secure Flight data requirements allow common minor differences between the passenger's ID and the passenger's reservation information, such as the use of a middle initial instead of a full middle name or **no middle name/initial at all.** This difference should not cause a problem for the passenger.

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# How Do I Use This Information

**Guide the client on what is NOT required:**

**This is valid for Domestic AND International travel**

- ❖ Full middle names are not required for travel
- ❖ Middle initials are not required for travel

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## Why does VAX show that the middle name must exactly match your government issued traveling ID?

 Traveler Information for **Room 1 (1 Adult)**

Traveler # 1 - Adult

**Required:** Spelling of names, including middle name or initial, must exactly match your government-issued ID.

This means that the information you enter must be spelled the same as the traveling ID – **NOT** that every part of the traveling ID name must be entered to travel.

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## Examples When a Name Correction IS NOT Required:

### Traveling ID

- John William Smith
- John William Smith
- John William Smith

### All are OK to Travel

- John Smith
- John W Smith
- John William Smith

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# Examples When a Name Correction IS Required To Travel:

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### Traveling ID

- John William Smith
- John William Smith
- John William Smith
- John William Smith

### Are Not Valid to Travel

- Jon Smith
- John T Smith
- John W Smithe
- John Willie Smith

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## Help Educate Clients

**When a client calls and asks to spell out a middle name – advise them that:**

“Per Homeland Security Travel Requirements, the full spelling of the middle name is NOT required for travel, even if the full middle name is spelled out on the customers Passport or traveling ID.”

***Note:** Some airlines such as Sun Country will no longer update middle names*