



Does Avis Run a Credit Check? Step-by-Step Expert Guide

Renting a car with Avis brings convenience [\(+1\) 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354), but many customers wonder: **“Does Avis run a credit check?”** Knowing when and why it happens can help avoid surprises, especially for **debit card users**. This step-by-step guide covers everything you need to know [\(+1\) 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354).

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◆ Step 1: When Avis May Check Your Credit

Avis does **not** perform credit checks on all customers [\(+1\) 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354). Typically, checks occur for:

- **Debit card users**
- **Long-term rentals (7+ days)**
- **Luxury or premium vehicles**

Credit checks allow Avis to determine whether [\(+1\) 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354) a **higher security deposit** is necessary and assess financial responsibility.

■ Step 2: Debit vs Credit Card Rentals

Here's the key distinction:

Yes, Avis does perform a credit check if you use a debit card [\(+1\) 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354), but generally **not if you use a major credit card** [\(+1\) 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354), because the credit card itself acts as **sufficient identification and proof of creditworthiness** for the authorization hold [\(+1\) 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354).

When using a debit card:

- Expect a **soft credit check**

- Higher security deposits may be required (\$200–\$500+)
- Extra ID or proof of return travel may be requested  [+1 877 684 4354](tel:+18776844354)

When using a credit card:

- **Credit check is bypassed**
- Standard deposit applies
- Ideal for **short-term rentals or economy cars**

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This distinction ensures you're prepared for **deposit amounts and ID requirements** before pickup.

Step 3: Credit Check vs Security Deposit

Feature	Credit Check	Security Deposit
Applies to	Debit cards, long-term or luxury rentals	All rentals (varies by card and location)
Impact on credit score	None (soft inquiry)	N/A
Purpose	Assess financial risk	Cover tolls, fuel, late returns, damages
Amount	Varies	Typically \$200–\$300 for standard rentals

Using a major credit card usually **avoids credit checks** and lowers deposit requirements.

◆ **Step 4: What Customers Should Know**

- Credit card users generally **don't undergo credit checks**

- Debit card users should **expect higher deposits** and potential ID verification
- Airport rentals may require stricter deposit policies  [\[+1\]](#) [\[877\]](#) [\[684\]](#) [\[4354\]](#)
- Always **review your rental agreement** before pickup

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1 Will a credit check affect my credit score?

No. Debit card checks are **soft inquiries** and **do not impact your score**.

2 How much is the deposit if a credit check is performed?

Deposits usually range from **\$200–\$500+**, depending on:

- Rental duration
- Vehicle class
- Payment method

3 Can I avoid a credit check?

Yes, by using a **major credit card**  [\[+1\]](#) [\[877\]](#) [\[684\]](#) [\[4354\]](#).

4 How long does it take to release the deposit?

- Credit card: 3–7 business days
- Debit card: 7–14 business days
- International cards: may take longer

 **Call Avis for exact timelines:** +1 → 877 → 684 → 4354

Step 5: Tips to Ensure a Smooth Rental

- ✓ Use a **major credit card** whenever possible
- ✓ Bring a **valid driver's license** and any additional ID if using a debit card

- ✓ Return the car **on time and full of fuel**
- ✓ **Call ahead** to confirm if a credit check or additional documentation is required

🏁 Final Takeaway

Avis does not check credit for all rentals ☎ [+1] [877] [684] [4354]. Debit card users may see a soft check to determine financial risk, while credit card users can usually bypass this step. Knowing the difference helps you **plan deposits, avoid surprises, and enjoy a smooth rental experience** ☎ [+1] [877] [684] [4354].

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