

# Travel between Whitehorse and Fairbanks

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There are no direct flights, and connections would most likely be either Vancouver or Seattle.

## Directions between Whitehorse to Fairbanks

**From Whitehorse-** Travel north on the Alaska Highway through Haines Junction. At Haines Junction, you will turn right following signs to Fairbanks, Alaska. Just after Beaver Creek, you will go through American Customs. Starting at Gerstle River until about 6 miles East of Delta, watch closely for buffalo (bison) who are not shy about being on the road. From here continue along the highway until you reach Fairbanks.



Plan your rests, meals, and fuel ups on this trip! It will take a long time (approximately 12 hours or more) and there will not be many good opportunities to stop along the way so plan ahead! Many gas stations have limited hours – so check ahead and bring extra fuel for this 950 Kilometer/590 mile trip.

**From Fairbanks-** Travel south on the Alaska Highway through Delta Junction then Tok, cross the Canadian border at Beaver Creek, and continue on to Haines Junction. In Haines Junction, you keep on the Alaska Highway East to Whitehorse. (See precautions noted above.)

## United States / Canada Border Crossing

**A passport will be required for all travelers crossing the American/Canadian border.** If you do not have a passport, please apply as early as possible. For more info about Customs requirements visit the U. S. Customs and Border Protection at [www.customs.gov/](http://www.customs.gov/) or the Canada Custom Agency at [www.cbsa.gc.ca](http://www.cbsa.gc.ca). Take note of what is allowed to be brought across borders and differences in regulations.

## In Alaska

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### Getting around Fairbanks

Fairbanks has a relatively small downtown core. If your accommodations are downtown, you more than likely will not need transportation to get to other downtown venues such as the Finish Line, Race Headquarters, Yukon Quest events and more. However, should you need them; taxis and a local transit system are available.

### Need a place to stay?

#### La Quinta Inns & Suites - Official Yukon Quest Alaska Hotel Sponsor

is offering our fans and volunteers a special rate! Mention you are in town for the Yukon Quest and get a special Yukon Quest reduced rate.



### Getting to and from checkpoints in Alaska

Trucks and cars are pretty much the best and only option if you choose to travel

between checkpoints in Alaska. The roads are long, difficult in the winter, and the darkness poses additional complications. Furthermore, there are very few places to get gas along the road, and almost no accommodations available to tourists or volunteers. Be prepared to sleep in your car!

## **Driving your own vehicle/rental in Alaska**

If you are bringing your own vehicle or renting a car, access to the checkpoints is relatively simple, however distances can be long and road conditions can be difficult. Please be cautious on the roads. Please note: vehicle rental agencies are only available in Fairbanks. If you rent a vehicle and are planning to drive to Central or Circle, you must tell the rental agent where you are driving. We recommend: **National Car and Truck Rental** P: 907-451-8234 Toll Free: 1-800-CAR-RENT