

AA calls it basic-economy fare, and restricts those passengers to just one bag that fits under the seat. Not allowed to stash anything in the overhead. AA joins United Airlines in offering this cheaper choice. It's estimated the new policy will save from 10 to 25 percent on flights.

Of course, among the restrictions is that the cheap seat passengers get to go last in their walk of shame to board the flight. Then, will an attendant utter the classic line: Please step to the back of the bus. One can only wonder what's next in money-saving offers. Announcement: All cheap seat passengers must remove their clothing before boarding.