



# Credit card rewards program updates in response to COVID-19

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There's a lot of uncertainty for everyone right now, especially when it comes to finances. Fortunately, credit card issuers are providing several ways to get through the COVID-19 stay-at-home orders a little more easily, from extending the time to earn signup bonuses to providing extra rewards for things like groceries, takeout, streaming services and more.

Although many people are home and unable to travel, people will someday travel again so continuing to earn rewards toward that future travel is worthwhile. Or, perhaps, cash back rewards are where your credit card rewards efforts are focused right now and that's ok, too.

Here are some of the opportunities to rack up extra rewards when you use your card or to use your rewards in some out-of-the-box ways.

Is your credit card offering extra rewards right now or changing up how you can redeem those rewards? Tell us about it in the comments or email [editor@cardratings.com](mailto:editor@cardratings.com).

## [Earn extra rewards on groceries and delivery with Chase credit cards](#)

### Chase Sapphire Preferred® Card and Chase Sapphire Reserve®

Not only is Chase offering more time to earn your signup bonuses, but it's also offering several extra rewards opportunities. For example, if you're home and seem to be spending more on groceries, you might want to take advantage of Chase's new rewards opportunities for Chase Sapphire Preferred® Card, Chase Sapphire Reserve® and most other consumer cards.

From May 1-June 30, 2020, card members will earn 5X or 3X total points or miles (depending on your card, see below) per \$1 spent on groceries, up to \$1,500 spent per month. This applies whether you order online for pickup or have your groceries delivered from eligible grocery stores and grocery delivery services.

Here are a few of the cards eligible for the 5x or 3x points on groceries through June 30, 2020 (up to \$1,500 spent monthly).

### [5x points or miles](#)

- Chase Sapphire Reserve®
- United Club<sup>SM</sup> Infinite Card

## 3x points or miles

- Chase Sapphire Preferred®
- Card British Airways Visa Signature® Card
- The World Of Hyatt Credit Card
- IHG® Rewards Club Premier Credit Card
- Southwest Rapid Rewards® Premier Credit Card
- Southwest Rapid Rewards® Plus Credit Card
- Southwest Rapid Rewards® Priority Credit Card
- United<sup>SM</sup> Explorer Card

## Chase Sapphire Preferred® Card, Chase Sapphire Reserve®, Chase Freedom® and Chase Freedom Unlimited®

Chase Sapphire Preferred® Card , Chase Sapphire Reserve® and Chase Freedom® (This card is not currently available on CardRatings) and Chase Freedom Unlimited® (This card is not currently available on CardRatings) card members can earn 5x total points or cash back on up to \$500 in combined purchases when you order through DoorDash or Tock. According to Chase, "We're offering some added value when card members use their card for dining in while staying at home, while also saying thank you for supporting their favorite restaurants during this time."

## Earn rewards on groceries with your hotel rewards card

Although you probably aren't traveling much right now, you can use your hotel card and earn rewards to use later. Some of the hotel offers available include the following:

Marriott Bonvoy Bold™ Credit Card and Marriott Bonvoy Boundless™ Credit Card

Marriott Bonvoy Bold™ Credit Card and Marriott Bonvoy Boundless™ Credit Card members earn 6X points per \$1 spent on grocery purchases up to \$5,000 automatically from May 1st through July 31st, 2020.

## Earn extra status at your favorite hotel

The World Of Hyatt Credit Card

From April 15 through June 30, 2020, The World Of Hyatt Credit Card members can earn three tier-qualifying night credits toward the next tier status for every \$5,000 you spend on your card. You can also earn two tier-qualifying night credits toward the next tier status for every \$5,000 you spend on your card.

## Redeem Venture miles for food delivery, takeout and streaming services

### **Capital One® Venture® Rewards Credit Card and Capital One® VentureOne® Rewards Credit Card**

Now through June 30, you can redeem your miles earned from your Capital One® Venture® Rewards Credit Card (This card is not currently available on CardRatings) or Capital One® VentureOne® Rewards Credit Card (This card is not currently available on CardRatings) for eligible restaurant delivery, takeout and music and video streaming services. Eligible restaurant delivery purchases include DoorDash, UberEats and Postmates, or directly from restaurants, cafes or fast-food chains. Eligible streaming services include Netflix, Hulu and Disney+.

Also potentially helpful, you can use your Venture miles to pay for your purchases on Amazon.com.

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