

Pet Travel Guidance and Country Requirements



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Kennels



The following guidance is provided for selecting an appropriate kennel for your pet's trip. However, check with your airline to ensure that your kennel will meet their requirements.



Kennels

- **Size**
 - Large enough to comfortably permit standing, turning around, and lying down.
- **Construction**
 - Must be strong enough to prevent escape and constructed of non-toxic material.
 - To prevent injury, the inside must be free of sharp edges or pointed objects.
 - Any wheels or rollers must be removed. At least 3 sides must be ventilated. Some airlines require all 4 sides to be ventilated.
- **Comfort**
 - Include your pet's favorite toy and/or blanket to make the kennel seem more familiar. Conditioning your pet to being closed in the kennel several weeks before travel will also decrease stress.
 - Must also be padded with an absorbent material (i.e. blanket or pillow) to prevent leakage.
- **Water**
 - Water must be available throughout the flight. Bottles should be hung outside the kennel so aircraft personnel can refill them without opening the kennel.
 - Bowls on the inside of the kennel should be spillproof (i.e. *Water Boy* style travel bowls).
- **Leashes**
 - Keep these in your carry-on luggage. They may pose a hazard to your pet if left in the kennel.
- **Availability**
 - If in doubt, purchase the kennel directly from the airport. However many brands advertise as "airline approved" by most major airlines.



Specific Airline Info

- Patriot Express (Air Mobility Command)
 - Families in PCS status are authorized to take two pets (dogs and cats only) as long as the kennels, with pets, do not exceed 150 pounds.
 - The pet must be able to lie down, stand up, and turn around in the kennel. The kennel must be approved for air travel by the International Air Transport Association (IATA). For the safety of your pet, soft-sided and collapsible kennels are not allowed.
 - Small pets are authorized in cabin as long as the kennel fits under the seat. Soft-sided kennels are authorized for in cabin movement.



Specific Airline Info

- Patriot Express (Air Mobility Command)
 - Service animals are authorized to accompany passengers with disabilities in the cabin of the aircraft. Identification cards or written documentation is required and must be issued by an agency verifying the animal has been trained as a service animal.
 - Recommend you contact local Transportation Office or the Passenger Terminal you are departing from to ensure your service animal can be accommodated.



Specific Airline Info

- Patriot Express (Air Mobility Command)
 - Passengers are responsible for all pet shipment requirements, quarantines, and all costs associated with the shipment of their pet. Depending on your destination, pet costs can vary but will not exceed \$112 for an average sized pet.
 - For required pet documentation or additional pet information, you can check with the local Transportation Office. Additional information can be found by accessing website <https://tops.ppcigweb.sddc.army.mil/ppcig/menu/query/country.do>



Specific Airline Info

- United Airlines
 - United permits active U.S. military, State Department Foreign Service Personnel (FSP), and spouses to transport their pets as checked baggage, to and from international destinations only.
 - Fees apply
 - To qualify for the exception, military personnel must carry military identification. FSP customers must carry a diplomatic passport or State Department identification.
 - All customers must accompany their pets.



Specific Airline Info

- United Airlines
 - Travel must be international (involves an origin or destination outside of the 50 United States).
 - Customers must be traveling on Permanent Change of Station, military orders or home leave orders. Orders must be verified at the time of reservation and a copy presented to the airport agent at check-in.
 - The combined weight of the pet and its kennel must be 99.9 pounds or less.
 - Customers must contact the PetSafe desk at 1-800-575-3335 or 1-832-235-1541 for advance reservations.



Specific Airline Info

- United Airlines
 - Animals will require a baggage tag to prevent the need for a third party agent at either the origin or destination. Pets may only be transported to countries that accept animals traveling as checked baggage.
 - All animals must be tendered at the check-in counter upon check-in (at least two hours prior to departure).
 - All animals should be picked up in the destination city at the United Cargo facility. If the United Cargo facility is closed or unavailable, animals will be delivered to the baggage claim area in the terminal.

Sedatives

- Many pet-owners feel that their pet “needs” to be sedated prior to travel. However, most pets experience only a minimal amount of stress, especially if you spend the time to appropriately acclimate them to their travel kennel. If your pet has a history of harming themselves in the kennel or you are unsuccessful at acclimating your pet, consult with your veterinarian as far in advance as possible. He/she will decide what medications, if any, are appropriate for your pet and will likely have you try the medication at home first so that the drug’s effects can be observed.
- Note that some airlines will not ship your pet if they have been sedated, so check with the airline first.

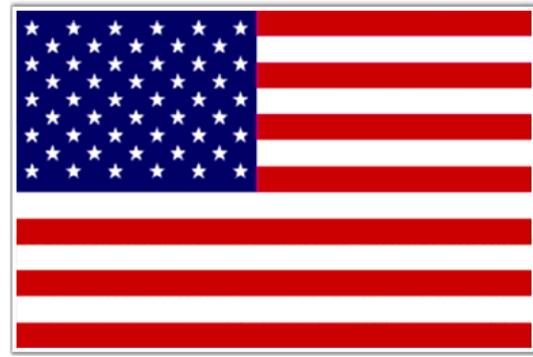
Importation Requirements by Country/Location

- All paperwork is to be filled out in an ink color other than black (i.e. blue, red, etc.) so signatures may be readily identified as original.
- US Army Veterinarians (military and General Schedule civilians) are designated as “official veterinarians.” All other civilian veterinarians are not designated as official and therefore **all health certificates filled out by civilian veterinarians require countersignature and endorsement by the USDA** if leaving from CONUS

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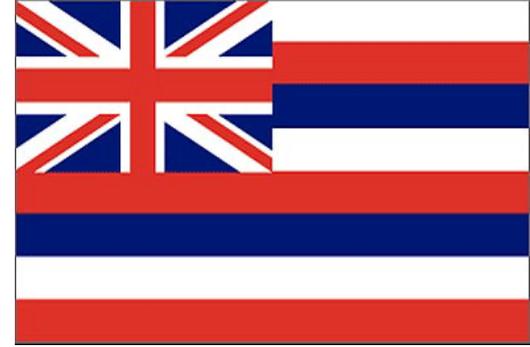
- If traveling to multiple locations, or if you are traveling to a temporary location with your pet (i.e. TDY or leave/vacation) and returning, ensure that you look at the requirements for each country to include those of your origin location/final destination. These may vary based on where you traveled with your pet.
- Check with your destination location(s) to verify all information found here is accurate and up to date.

United States



- Rabies Documentation
 - Most recent vaccine must be current and administered at least 30 days prior to entry into the U.S.
- Health Certificate
 - Completed within 10 days of arrival in the U.S.
- See next slide for Hawaii's special requirements

Hawaii

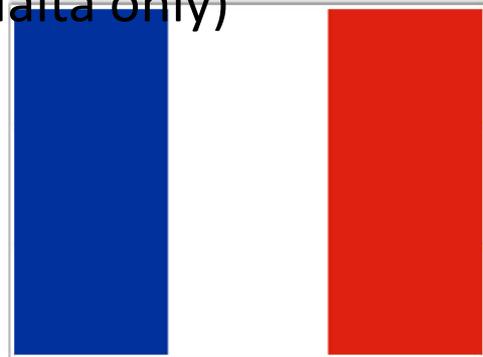


- Rabies Documentation
 - At least 2 vaccinations in the animal's life 90 days or more apart
 - Most recent vaccine must be current
- Microchip
 - Implanted before OIE-FAVN performed
- OIE-FAVN (rabies antibody titer)
 - With results greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml
 - Tested within 36 months, but not within 120 days of entry to Hawaii
- Health Certificate
 - Written in English within 14 days of arrival in Hawaii
 - Includes date of application and product name of long acting tick preventative (selamectin not acceptable) applied by a veterinarian within 14 days of arrival in Hawaii
- Dog/cat import form (Form AQS-278)
- Submission
 - Send all documents and fees to:
 - Animal Quarantine Station
 - 99-951 Halawa Valley Street
 - Aiea, Hawaii 96701
 - Documents must arrive 10 days or more before the animal's entry into Hawaii
 - Original Health Certificate may be provided upon arrival
 - Fees to be paid via money order or cashier's check in the amount of \$224; include microchip number with payment
 - Payment at the airport is possible in the additional forms of credit card or cash, but processing will be delayed
- If these procedures are not followed, your pet will be quarantined at your expense for 120 days.



Germany and other EU Countries

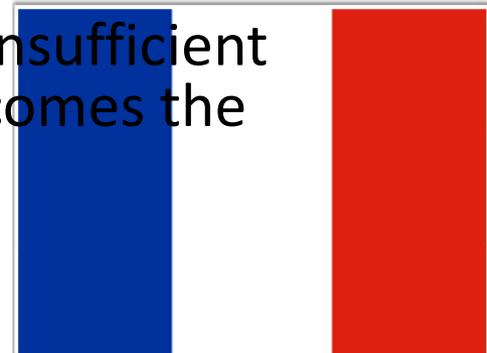
- Health Certificates (both are required if coming from CONUS)
 - 2012 EU Veterinary Certificate
 - Valid for entry into EU for 10 days from date of completion
 - Valid for movement between EU member states for 4 months
 - APHIS Form 7001
- Rabies Documentation
 - Most recent vaccine must be current
 - Most recent vaccination must occur after microchip implantation and at least 21 days prior to travel
- Microchip
 - Must be ISO compatible
- Echinococcus Treatment (UK, Ireland, Finland, and Malta only)
 - Administered 1 – 5 days from date of entry





Germany and other EU Countries

- If origin location is not an EU member or an approved non-EU country (see Reference 5, Annex II, Part C for list of countries), the following additional documentation is required.
- OIE-FAVN (rabies antibody titer)
 - With results greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml
 - Tested on blood drawn at least 30 days following **primary** vaccination.
 - At least 3 months must elapse between date of acceptable FAVN results and date of pet travel.
 - If rabies vaccination coverage lapses due to insufficient vaccine intervals, the next rabies vaccine becomes the **primary** vaccine.

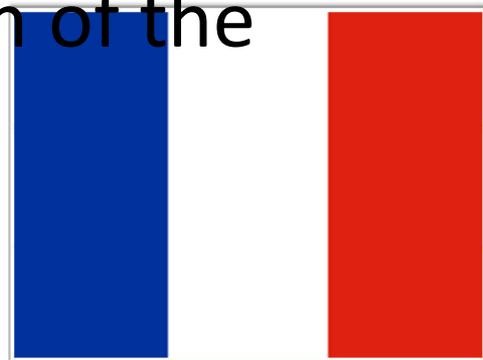




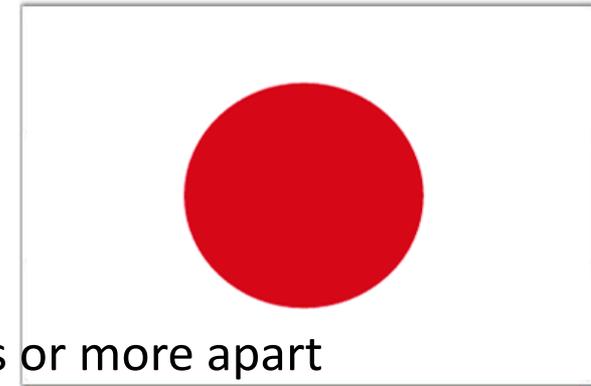
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- An importation examination fee will be assessed upon entry into the destination country if country of origin is outside the EU.
- This fee will range from 55 – 85 euros per pet depending on date of travel (M-F travel carries lesser fee).
- This fee is incurred in addition to any fees the airline may charge for transportation of the pet(s).



Japan



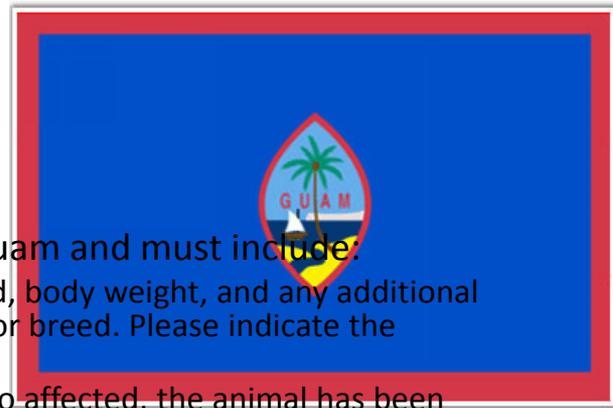
- Rabies Documentation
 - At least 2 vaccinations in the animal's life 31 days or more apart
 - Most recent vaccine must be current
- Microchip
 - Implanted before most recent two rabies vaccinations
- OIE-FAVN (rabies antibody titer)
 - With results greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml
 - Tested within 24 months, but not within 180 days of entry to Japan
- Health Certificate
 - MDJ OP Form 2209
 - Completed within 10 days of arrival in Japan
- Advanced Notification Form
 - Found at www.maff-aqs.go.jp/english
 - Submitted 40 days prior to arrival in Japan
- Animals under 12 months of age are not permitted for importation into Japan

Guam



- Rabies Documentation
 - At least 2 vaccinations in the animal's life 30 days or more apart
 - Most recent vaccine must have been administered within 36 months (3-year vaccines) or 12 months (1-year vaccines) of arrival in Guam.
- Additional Required Vaccines: must be administered between 10 and 365 days prior to arrival
 - Dog: Distemper, Adenovirus 2, Parainfluenza, Parvovirus, Leptospirosis, and bordatella
 - Cat: Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis, Calici virus, and Panleukopenia
- Microchip
 - Implanted before OIE-FAVN
- OIE-FAVN (rabies antibody titer)
 - With results greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml
 - Tested within 12 months, but not within 120 days of entry to Guam and no less than 2 weeks following the most recent rabies vaccination
 - Have diagnostic lab submit results directly to:
 - Animal Quarantine Program at the Department of Agriculture
 - 142 Dairy Road
 - Mangilao, Guam 96913
- Quarantine Reservation
 - Animals requiring quarantine on Guam must attach evidence of confirmed reservations at a government approved quarantine facility with the Entry Permit packet. It shall be the pet owner's responsibility to contact the facility directly for kennel reservation and rates.

Guam



- Health Certificate Completed in English within 10 days of arrival in Guam and must include:
 - A complete description of the animal, including age, markings, sex, breed, body weight, and any additional identifying characteristics. “Mixed” or similar wording is not acceptable for breed. Please indicate the nearest approximate breed.
 - Veterinarian’s statement certifying the following: 1) If determined to be so affected, the animal has been treated to remove internal (helminths and heartworms) and external parasites (fleas and ticks) within 14 days of arrival on Guam. 2) The date of any parasite treatment. 3) The name of the products used. The external treatment must use Fipronil or other long-acting product. **(Revolution is not acceptable).**
 - Certification that the animal is free of any evidence of infectious or contagious disease (to include heartworm testing/treatment information). Application for Entry Permit Submitted along with \$60.00 in the form of a money order or cashier’s check made payable to the Treasurer of Guam
 - The microchip number and the date of implantation (not required for 120-day Commercial Quarantine).
 - The name, serial or lot number, expiration date of the lot, and date of rabies vaccination.
- All animals adhering to the above procedures will still need to receive a post-arrival health examination by the Territorial Veterinarian within 24 hours of arrival in Guam
- Exemptions from Quarantine
 - Animals originating from the British Isles, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, and Hawaii on direct flights to Guam may be exempt from quarantine requirements after meeting shipping and veterinary examination requirements.
 - Users of service dogs belonging to a Federal or State Government Agency, and guide dogs may wish to have their animals qualified to allow them to enter Guam without being held in quarantine at the Commercial Quarantine Facility. Please contact this department for more information.
- Prohibited Entry
 - All dogs and cats, regardless of purpose or health status, are required to comply with Guam’s quarantine law. Other vertebrates, such as skunks, wolves, raccoons, ferrets, etc. are not covered by this brochure and are generally prohibited entry into Guam.
 - Pregnant animals past 45 days of gestation, are prohibited entry into quarantine.

South Korea



- Rabies Documentation
 - DD 2208 or equivalent
 - Most recent vaccine must have been administered between 30 days and 12 months prior to arrival in Korea.
 - Pets younger than 3 months of age are not required a rabies vaccine
- Microchip
 - ISO compatible
- OIE-FAVN (rabies antibody titer)
 - With results greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml
 - Taken > 30 days from date of most recent rabies vaccine
- Health Certificate
 - DD 2209 or equivalent
 - Completed in English within 10 days of arrival in Korea
- **Pets without proper vaccination, paperwork or testing will be quarantined until the entry requirements are satisfied. The owner will pay for all quarantine fees, additional laboratory testing and/or veterinary care necessary until their pet is released from quarantine.**

Israel



- Rabies Documentation
 - Most recent vaccine must have been administered between 30 days and 12 months prior to arrival in Israel.
- Microchip
 - Implanted before OIE-FAVN
- OIE-FAVN (rabies antibody titer)
 - With results greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml
 - Tested 30 days or more following the most recent rabies vaccination
- Health Certificate
 - Completed within 10 days of arrival in Israel
 - Form downloadable from Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
- Import License issued by the Director of Veterinary Services in the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
 - Pets flown as carry-on are exempt from this, but a declaration (Annex C form) must be signed by the owner
- Animals younger than 4 months are not permitted for importation into Israel.
- Fax copy of health certificate and Annex B to the offices of the Veterinary Services at the port of entry.
- All forms available from Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development

Turkey



- Rabies Documentation
 - Most recent vaccine must be current
- Additional Required Vaccines (dogs only): not required if dog is younger than 3 months
 - Dog: Distemper, Leptospirosis, parvovirus
- Health Certificate
 - Completed within 10 days of arrival in Turkey

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