



# INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL PACKET



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# Check list for International Health Certificates

## Must have required paperwork at or before the appointment or will not be able to provide the International Health Certificate

- 1) Go to <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/pet-travel> to learn about what is needed for your specific destination country before your appointment. READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY!
- 2) Go to <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/index.html> to learn about what is required for your pet to travel back into the United States before your appointment. It is recommended to complete this part at least **30 DAYS BEFORE YOU LEAVE**. READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY! \*\*If you are traveling to a High-Risk Rabies Country and decline the *Certification of U.S.-issued Rabies Vaccination* form, we will NOT provide your pet with an international health certificate to leave the country.
  - a. Does your pet have a current ISO (15 digit) microchip? Provide the date this was implanted. Often it will need to be done before the current Rabies vaccine. If not in that order, a new Rabies vaccine may need to be administered and a 21 day wait may follow that before travel is permitted.
  - b. Some countries require testing prior to travel. Is this a requirement for destination country?
  - c. Some countries require vaccinations, intestinal and external parasite treatments prior to travel, within very specific time frames. Is this a requirement for your destination country?
- 3) Bring an original signed copy of a current Rabies certificate.
- 4) Send us a copy of all medical records *prior to* the appointment – request this from your previous veterinarian if recently a AHOFI client, or if you are a new client. Send records to [info@ahofl.com](mailto:info@ahofl.com)
- 5) Provide your current address and telephone number in Florida.
- 6) Provide the address and phone number within your destination country.
- 7) Provide travel date information.

**This is not an exhaustive list as each destination country has different guidelines and requirements. It is your responsibility to be sure you have all necessary documents for your travel.**

# Entry Requirements for Dogs from Dog-Rabies Free or Low-Risk Countries

The one form you will need is the CDC Dog Import Form if your dog has been only in countries that are dog rabies-free or low-risk in the 6 months before entering or returning to the U.S.

Starting on August 1, 2024, the only required documentation for dogs entering or returning to the United States that have been only in dog rabies-free or low-risk countries in the past 6 months is the CDC Dog Import Form.



To find out if a country is dog rabies-free or low-risk, scan this QR code or go to <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/high-risk-countries.html> . Only high-risk countries are listed on the website. If the country is not listed on the website, it is considered a dog rabies-free or low-risk country.

## CDC Dog Import Form

Complete the form online. A receipt will be emailed to you upon submission of the form. You can print the receipt or show it on your phone. Scan here or go to <https://cdc-786687.workflowcloud.com/forms/090dc543-7b2f-4538-b2c7-2919d12ecc73>



In addition to having a receipt for a CDC Dog Import Form:

Dogs must appear healthy upon arrival.

Dogs must be at least 6 months old at time of entry or return to the U.S.

Dogs must have a microchip that can be detected with a universal scanner to identify them.

For additonl information please visit : <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/rabies-free-low-risk-countries.html> or scan here



Questions?

If you have questions or need more information, please contact CDC-INFO at (800) 232-4636.



## Important CDC Requirements for Travel to High-Risk Rabies Countries

If you are traveling with your dog to a country considered **high-risk for dog rabies**, additional documentation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will be required for your dog to re-enter the United States.

You can check whether your destination is classified as high-risk by visiting the CDC website below or by reviewing the list included in your travel packet:

<https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/high-risk-countries.html>

### Important Entry Rules

Entry requirements depend on:

- Whether your dog has been in a high-risk rabies country within the last 6 months
- Where your dog's rabies vaccine was administered

#### **Please note:**

Your dog will NOT be allowed to re-enter the United States if:

- It has been in a high-risk rabies country within the past 6 months  
**AND**
- It is not properly vaccinated against rabies.

### **If Your Dog Was Vaccinated in the U.S. and Has Been in a High-Risk Country Within the Last 6 Months:**

You will need **two required documents** before returning to the United States:

1. **CDC Dog Import Form Receipt** (completed online by the owner)
2. **Certification of U.S.-Issued Rabies Vaccination Form** (completed by a USDA-accredited veterinarian *before departure from the U.S.*)

USDA-endorsed export health certificates issued after July 31, 2025, will **not** be accepted for U.S. re-entry in place of the CDC-required documentation.

## **Additional Entry Requirements**

In addition to the required forms:

- Dogs must appear healthy upon arrival
  - Dogs must be at least 6 months of age at the time of entry
  - Dogs must have a detectable microchip (readable by a universal scanner)
  - The microchip must be implanted **before** the rabies vaccination was administered
- The microchip number must be listed on all required documents

For complete details, please visit the CDC's "Bringing a Dog into the U.S." page:

<https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/index.html>

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## **Important Timing Notice**

If you are planning travel to a high-risk rabies country, you must notify us **at least 30 days prior to departure** to help ensure proper completion of the Certification of U.S.-Issued Rabies Vaccination form.

If you would like us to complete this form for you, please complete the attached questionnaire in the travel packet and email it to:  
frontdesk@ahofl.com

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Please let us know your destination and travel dates as soon as possible so we can ensure everything is completed correctly and on time.

**Please be advised that if you are traveling to a high-risk rabies country, you will be required to obtain a Certification of U.S.-issued Rabies Vaccination form. Without this document, we will be unable to complete your health certificate.**

If your dog is traveling to the United States from a country or region where **Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)** or **Screwworm** is known to exist, please carefully review the following requirements.

### **Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) Requirements**

If your dog is arriving from a region where FMD is present:

- Fur and bedding must be free of excessive dirt, hay, or straw.
- Your dog should be bathed as soon as it reaches its destination in the United States.
- Your dog must be kept separate from all livestock for 5 days after entering the United States.

#### **Please note:**

There is *no documentation required* to meet FMD entry requirements. Compliance is based on condition and handling.

### **Screwworm Requirements**

If your dog is traveling from a region where screwworm is present, entry into the United States requires:

A certificate signed by a full-time salaried veterinary official (official government veterinarian) of the region of origin stating that:

- The dog was inspected for screwworm within 5 days prior to shipment to the United States; and
- The dog is free from screwworm

#### **OR**

- The dog was previously infested, held in quarantine, treated, and declared free of screwworm prior to leaving the region.

Documentation will be reviewed and your dog will be inspected at the U.S. port of entry.

### **Important Notes About Screwworm Certification**

- The certification must be issued by the official government veterinary authority of the exporting country.

- There is no required template from USDA APHIS Veterinary Services.
- The certificate may be:
  - A standalone document
  - Incorporated into the export health certificate issued in the exporting country

To obtain proper endorsement, please contact the Animal Health Competent Authority in the country your dog is traveling from. This is the national veterinary or governmental authority responsible for animal health certification.

You may locate your country's authority through:

- World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) Member Directory
- U.S. Department of State – Foreign Embassy & Consulate Contact Information

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If you are unsure whether these requirements apply to your specific country of origin, please let us know the country your pet is traveling from and your intended travel date so we can help guide you appropriately.

Please see the next page for a list of Country Disease Status or you can also find the list of countries affected by FMD and screwworm here: <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/pet-travel/another-country-to-us-import/dogs/disease-status>

We are happy to assist you in ensuring your pet's entry into the United States goes as smoothly as possible.

# Dog Imports: Check Country Disease Status | APHIS

| Country             | Rabies   | FMD  | Screwworm | Comments   |
|---------------------|----------|--|-----------|--|
| Afghanistan         | not free | not free   | free      |  |
| Albania             | free     | not free   | free      |  |
| Algeria             | not free | not free   | free      |  |
| Angola              | not free | not free   | not free  |  |
| Anguilla            | free     | not free   | free      |  |
| Antigua and Barbuda | free     | not free   | free      |  |
| Argentina           | free     | not free<br>(Patagonia South and Patagonia North free) | not free  | Patagonia South and Patagonia North B are free; rest of Argentina is affected by FMD |
| Armenia             | not free | not free   | free      |  |
| Aruba               | free     | not free   | not free  |  |
| Australia           | free     | free   | free      |  |
| Austria (EU)        | free     | free   | free      |  |
| Azerbaijan          | not free | not free   | free      |  |

| <b>Country</b>     | <b>Rabies</b> | <b>FMD</b>                              | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b>   |
|--------------------|---------------|---|------------------|---|
| Bahamas            | free          | free                                    | free             |   |
| Bahrain            | free          | not free                                | not free         |   |
| Bangladesh         | not free      | not free                                | not free         |   |
| Barbados           | free          | free                                    | free             |   |
| Belarus            | not free      | not free                                | free             |   |
| Belgium (EU)       | free          | free                                    | free             |   |
| Belize             | not free      | free                                    | not free         |   |
| Benin              | not free      | not free                                | not free         |   |
| Bermuda            | free          | free                                    | free             |   |
| Bhutan             | free          | not free                                | free             |   |
| Bolivia            | not free      | not free                                | not free         |   |
| Bonaire            | free          | not free                                | free             |   |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | free          | not free                                | free             |   |
| Botswana           | not free      | not free                                | not free         |   |
| Brazil             | not free      | not free (State of Santa Catarina free) | not free         | Brazil State of Catarina is free of FMD and ASF; rest of Brazil is affected by both |

| <b>Country</b>           | <b>Rabies</b> | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| British Virgin Islands   | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Brunei                   | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Bulgaria (EU)            | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Burkina Faso             | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Burma (Maynmar)          | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Burundi                  | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Cambodia                 | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Cameroon                 | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Canada                   | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Canary Islands           | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Cayman Islands           | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Central African Republic | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Ceuta                    | not free      |            | free             |                 |
| Chad                     | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Channel Islands          | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Chile                    | free          | free       | free             |                 |

| <b>Country</b>              | <b>Rabies</b>                                       | <b>FMD</b>   | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b>                                |
|-----------------------------|---|--|------------------|--|
| China                       | not free<br>(excluding Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) | not free   | not free         | Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan are free of rabies |
| Colombia                    | not free  | not free   | not free         |  |
| Comoros (Africa)            | not free  | not free   | free             |  |
| Costa Rica                  | free  | free   | not free         |  |
| Côte D'Ivoire (Ivory Coast) | not free  | not free   | not free         |  |
| Croatia (EU)                | free  | free   | free             |  |
| Cuba                        | not free  | not free   | not free         |  |
| Curacao                     | free  | not free   | free             |  |
| Customs Union               | free  | not free   | free             |  |
| Cyprus (EU)                 | free  | free (excluding areas in which the government of Cyprus does not exercise effective control) | free             |  |
| Czech Republic (EU)         | free  | free   | free             |  |

| <b>Country</b>               | <b>Rabies</b> | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|------------------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Democratic Republic of Congo | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Denmark (EU)                 | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Djibouti                     | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Dominica                     | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Dominican Republic           | not free      | free       | not free         |                 |
| Easter Island                | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Ecuador                      | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Egypt                        | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| El Salvador                  | not free      | free       | not free         |                 |
| Equatorial Guinea            | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Eritrea                      | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Estonia (EU)                 | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Eswatini (Swaziland)         | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Ethiopia                     | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Falkland Islands             | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Fiji                         | free          | free       | free             |                 |

| <b>Country</b>         | <b>Rabies</b> | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|------------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Finland (EU)           | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| France (EU)            | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| French Guyana (Guiana) | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |
| French Polynesia       | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Gabon                  | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Gambia                 | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Georgia                | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Germany (EU)           | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Ghana                  | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Greece (EU)            | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Greenland              | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Grenada                | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Guadeloupe             | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Guatemala              | not free      | free       | not free         |                 |
| Guinea                 | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Guinea-Bissau          | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Guyana                 | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Haiti                  | not free      | free       | not free         |                 |
| Honduras               | not free      | free       | not free         |                 |

| <b>Country</b>               | <b>Rabies</b>   | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|------------------------------|---|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Hong Kong                    | free  | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Hungary (EU)                 | free  | not free   | free             |                 |
| Iceland                      | free  | free       | free             |                 |
| India                        | not free  | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Indonesia                    | not free  | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Iran                         | not free  | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Iraq                         | not free  | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Ireland,<br>Republic of (EU) | free  | free       | free             |                 |
| Isle of Man                  | free  | not free   | free             |                 |
| Israel                       | not free<br>(including<br>the West<br>Bank and<br>Gaza) | not free   | free             |                 |
| Italy (EU)                   | free  | free       | free             |                 |
| Jamaica                      | free  | free       | not free         |                 |
| Japan                        | free  | free       | free             |                 |
| Jordan                       | not free  | not free   | free             |                 |
| Kazakhstan                   | not free  | not free   | free             |                 |
| Kenya                        | not free  | not free   | not free         |                 |

| <b>Country</b>   | <b>Rabies</b> | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|--|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Korea<br>(Democratic<br>People's<br>Republic of,<br>North) | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Korea, Republic<br>of (South)                              | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Kosovo   | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Kuwait   | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Kyrgyzstan   | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Laos   | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Latvia (EU)  | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Lebanon  | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Lesotho  | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Liberia  | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Libya  | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Liechtenstein  | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Lithuania (EU)   | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Luxembourg<br>(EU)   | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Macau  | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Madagascar   | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |

| <b>Country</b>                  | <b>Rabies</b>                       | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Malawi                          | not free                            | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Malaysia                        | not free                            | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Mali                            | not free                            | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Malta (EU)                      | free                                | free       | free             |                 |
| Marshall Islands                | free                                | free       | free             |                 |
| Martinique                      | free                                | not free   | free             |                 |
| Mauritania                      | not free                            | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Mauritius                       | free                                | not free   | free             |                 |
| Melilla                         | not free                            |            | free             |                 |
| Mexico                          | free                                | free       | not free         |                 |
| Micronesia, Federated States of | free                                | free       | free             |                 |
| Moldova                         | not free                            | not free   | free             |                 |
| Mongolia                        | not free                            | not free   | free             |                 |
| Montenegro                      | free                                | not free   | free             |                 |
| Morocco                         | not free (including Western Sahara) | not free   | free             |                 |
| Mozambique                      | not free                            | not free   | not free         |                 |

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|----------------------|---------------|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Namibia              | not free      | free (excluding the region north of the Veterinary Cordon Fence) | not free         |                 |
| Nepal                | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Netherlands (EU)     | free          | free   | free             |                 |
| Netherlands Antilles | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| New Calendonia       | free          | free   | free             |                 |
| New Zealand          | free          | free   | free             |                 |
| Nicaragua            | free          | free   | not free         |                 |
| Niger                | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Nigeria              | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| North Macedonia      | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Norway (EU Regs)     | free          | free   | free             |                 |
| Oman                 | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Pakistan             | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Palau                | free          | free   | not free         |                 |
| Panama               | free          | free   | not free         |                 |

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|----------------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Papua New Guinea           | free          | free       | not free         |                 |
| Paracel Islands            | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Paraguay                   | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Peru                       | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Phillippines               | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Poland (EU)                | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Portugal (EU)              | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Qatar                      | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Republic of the Congo      | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Romania (EU)               | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Russian Federation         | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Rwanda                     | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Saint-Pierre and Miqueulon | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Sao Tome and Principe      | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Saudi Arabia               | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Senegal                    | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Serbia                     | free          | not free   | free             |                 |

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|-----------------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Sierra Leone          | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Singapore             | free          | free       | not free         |                 |
| Slovakia (EU)         | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Slovenia (EU)         | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Somalia               | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| South Africa          | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| South Sudan           | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Spain (EU)            | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Spratly Islands       | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Sri Lanka             | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| St. Kitts and Nevis   | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| St. Lucia             | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| St. Maarten           | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| St. Vincent           | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Sudan                 | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Suriname              | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Sweden (EU)           | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Switzerland (EU Regs) | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Syria                 | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |

| <b>Country</b>                          | <b>Rabies</b> | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|---|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Taiwan                                  | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Tajikistan                              | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Tanzania                                | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Thailand                                | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Timor-Leste<br>(Democratic<br>Republic) | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Togo                                    | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Trinidad and<br>Tobago                  | free          | free       | not free         |                 |
| Tunisia                                 | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Turkey                                  | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Turkmenistan                            | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Turks and<br>Caicos Islands             | free          | not free   | free             |                 |
| Uganda                                  | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Ukraine                                 | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| United Arab<br>Emirates                 | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| United<br>Kingdom,<br>England           | free          | free       | free             |                 |
| Uruguay                                 | free          | not free   | not free         |                 |

| <b>Country</b> | <b>Rabies</b> | <b>FMD</b> | <b>Screwworm</b> | <b>Comments</b> |
|----------------|---------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Uzbekistan     | not free      | not free   | free             |                 |
| Venezuela      | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Vietnam        | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Yemen          | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Zambia         | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |
| Zimbabwe       | not free      | not free   | not free         |                 |

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**COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS PACKET TO START THE HEALTH CERTIFICATE PROCESS  
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## International Travel Questionnaire

Initial form to begin process for International Travel. Please note this process can sometimes take several months.

**Owner's Legal Name (exactly as it appears on your government-issued photo id)**

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**Owner Phone**

**Owner E-mail**

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**How Many Pets are Traveling?**

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**Desination Country?**

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**Known, Estimated or Desired Date(s) of Travel?**

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**If Traveling to the EU, do you have a Pet Passport?**

Yes       No

**Mode of Travel?**

Car       Air (cabin)       Air (cargo)       Boat       Cruise       Other (please list)

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**Do you have travel arrangements (airline tickets) already booked?**

Yes(list airline, dates , and US port of departure below)No     

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**Will you be returning to the United States?**

- Yes** (list dates below)     **No**     **Unsure**     **Yes, but do know dates**

Please be advised that if you are traveling to a high-risk rabies country, you will be required to obtain a Certification of U.S.-issued Rabies Vaccination form. Without this document, we will be unable to complete your health certificate. \_\_\_\_\_(Initial)

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**Will you be traveling directly to your destination?**

- Yes**     **No** (please list any stops or layovers below)

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**Will you be departing from Florida?**

- Yes**     **No** (please list state of departure below)

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**Will your pet be traveling with the above listed owner?**

- Yes**     **No** (if not, please list the name and phone number of who your pet will be traveling with)

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**Are you using a pet transport company?**

- Yes** (please list company name and contact information below)     **No**

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**Please list origin (from) address:**

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**Please list destination (to) address:**

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**Pet Information: All of the pets information MUST match the pets rabies certificate.**

Please submit one page per pet.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Pets Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Neutred/Spayed?  Yes  No

Pets color/Markings: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Admission:  Permanent Import  Re-entry  Temporary Admission  Transit

Intended Use, if not personal use/pet: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have copies of your pet's rabies certificate(s)?

Yes  No

Is your pet microchipped?

Yes (list number below)  No  Unsure

\_\_\_\_\_ date of implant: \_\_\_\_\_

If your pet received vaccinations else where, please list hospital name and contact information below:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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**International Pet Travel Waiver**

Traveling with pets Internationally can be a complicated, time-consuming, and stressful process involving multiple organizations and government entities. Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale (AHOFL)'s part is to examine the pet(s) to ensure they are healthy for travel, to make sure all necessary medical items are completed, and to submit the appropriate paperwork to the USDA for endorsement. After that, AHOFL has little to no control over the health certificate documents. The USDA queues the health certificate according to date of travel and endorses it only 1-2 days before it is needed (they endorse only Monday through Friday). They then ship the documents overnight (this can be from anywhere in the U.S.) via UPS or FedEx to the address of your choice. While every effort is made to get the documents to you on time, there is potential for unforeseen shipping delays, which may result in a situation where you do not receive your documents in time for travel. Traveling internationally with your pet(s) should not be undertaken lightly and should only occur if there are no other alternatives.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name), the undersigned, am the owner or agent for the owner of the animal described above. I have the full and exclusive authority to execute this consent and am over 18 years of age. I have read and understand the above information and acknowledge that Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale facilitates the preparation and submission of international health certificates for pet travel. I understand that once the health certificate has been submitted to the USDA for endorsement, the processing and return timeframe are beyond the control of Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale. I understand that many of these certificates are shipped overnight via third-party shipping carriers (e.g., FedEx, UPS) and I accept that any delays in shipping or USDA processing may affect my travel plans, and I assume full responsibility for any consequences resulting from such delays. I understand that Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale has no control over weather conditions, carrier delays, or other unforeseen circumstances that may impact delivery times.

By signing below, I confirm that

I have read and understand this waiver.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

**ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
PET TRAVEL RESPONSIBILITY & LIABILITY WAIVER AGREEMENT**

This Pet Travel Responsibility & Liability Waiver Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into by and between Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale (“Hospital”) and the undersigned client (“Client”) on the date indicated below.

1. Client Responsibility for Travel Requirements The Client acknowledges and agrees that they are solely responsible for reviewing, understanding, and complying with all current pet travel requirements, including but not limited to those established by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as well as any requirements of the destination country and any countries of transit. The Client understands that such requirements may change at any time and may vary by country, and agrees that it is their sole responsibility to ensure that their pet has all required documentation, vaccinations, treatments, testing, and certifications necessary for travel and re-entry into the United States.

2. Acknowledgment of Resources The Client acknowledges that they have been informed of available resources, including but not limited to the USDA and CDC websites, to verify current travel requirements. The Client confirms they have been given the opportunity to review these resources and ask questions.

3. Accuracy of Information Provided The Client certifies that all information provided to the Hospital, including but not limited to personal information, pet identification, medical and vaccination history, and all travel details (including destinations, dates, and transit plans), is true, complete, and accurate to the best of their knowledge. The Client understands that all documents prepared by the Hospital are based solely on the information provided by the Client. The Client agrees to promptly notify the Hospital of any changes to such information.

4. Assumption of Risk The Client acknowledges that any inaccuracies, omissions, or changes in the information provided may result in delays, denial of entry, quarantine, additional costs, or other travel-related complications. The Client assumes full responsibility for any such outcomes.

5. Limitation of Liability To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Client agrees that Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale, its veterinarians, employees, and agents shall not be held liable for any errors, omissions, delays, denied entry, quarantine, additional expenses, or other consequences arising from:

- Incomplete, inaccurate, or outdated information provided by the Client
- Changes in travel regulations or enforcement
- Missing or insufficient documentation
- Actions or decisions made by government agencies or foreign authorities

6. Release and Hold Harmless The Client hereby releases, waives, and agrees to hold harmless Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale, its veterinarians, staff, and affiliates from any and all claims, liabilities, damages, losses, or expenses, including but not limited to loss, delay, denial of entry, or quarantine, arising out of or related to the Client’s pet travel.

7. Acknowledgment and Agreement By signing below, the Client acknowledges that they have read, understand, and agree to the terms of this Agreement, and that they accept full responsibility for ensuring their pet meets all travel requirements.

Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Client Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_



The *Certification of U.S.-issued Rabies Vaccination (For Live Dog Re-Entry into the United States)* form is **required** for the importation (re-entry) of U.S.-vaccinated dogs that have been in countries with high risk of dog-maintained rabies virus variants within 6 months before re-entry into the United States.

Form requirements:

1. The dog must have been vaccinated in the United States using a USDA-licensed rabies vaccine
2. The form must be completed by the USDA-accredited veterinarian that vaccinated the dog in the United States. In the event the USDA-accredited veterinarian that vaccinated the dog is unavailable or if the veterinarian is not a USDA-accredited veterinarian, a USDA-accredited veterinarian may certify the form if:
  - a. A valid, in-person, veterinary-client-patient relationship (VCPR) as defined by the American Veterinary Medical Association exists with at least one veterinarian currently in the practice in which the USDA-accredited veterinarian practices medicine;
  - and
  - b. The dog's information (breed, sex, age, microchip) and vaccination history can be verified using the practice's existing medical records. Vaccinations administered at other clinics may be added to the practice's medical records if all required information (including microchip) is contained on those records.
3. The form must be completed at least 28 days **after** the dog's initial rabies vaccine administration or 28 days after booster vaccine administration if the dog's previous rabies vaccination had expired prior to receiving the booster.
4. The veterinarian must submit the form to USDA for endorsement **before the dog departs** the United States. The form must be endorsed by USDA before it can be used for the dog to re-enter the United States.

Rabies vaccine requirements:

Dogs must receive their initial rabies vaccination on or after 12 weeks (84 days) of age or in accordance with manufacturer recommendations if licensed for use in older dogs (i.e., 16 weeks of age or older). **Vaccines administered prior to 12 weeks of age will not be accepted, regardless of manufacturer product licensing. The initial rabies vaccine must be administered at least 28 days before a USDA-accredited veterinarian may issue this form.**

Vaccines will be considered valid for a period of 1 or 3 years depending on manufacturer guidelines. Booster vaccines are considered immediately valid in dogs over 15 months of age provided the dog has received at least 1 previous rabies vaccine administered on or after 12 weeks of age. If there is a lapse in vaccination coverage, the next vaccination will be considered an initial vaccination valid for 1 year, which must be administered at least 28 days before this form may be issued.

If a dog received previous rabies vaccines but did not have a microchip at the time of vaccination:

1. The veterinarian must microchip the dog and administer a 1-year rabies vaccine.
  - a. Rabies vaccinations administered prior to the microchip implantation date are invalid because they cannot be verified.
2. Future rabies vaccinations may be valid for 3 years, but the initial vaccine administered after microchip implantation is only valid for 1 year.
3. Do not enter any rabies vaccination information in the Veterinary Export Health Certification System (VEHCS) for vaccines administered prior to the microchip implantation date.
4. The rabies vaccine must be given at least 28 days prior to issuance of this form (the *Certification of U.S.-issued Rabies Vaccination* form).

**Note:**

If the USDA-accredited veterinarian completing the form cannot verify all required information via the clinic's medical records or a VCPR does not exist, the USDA-accredited veterinarian may not issue this form.

**COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS PACKET TO START THE CERTIFICATION OF U.S.-ISSUED RABIES VACCINATION FORM**

**A Certification of U.S.-issued Rabies Vaccination is REQUIRED to re-enter the United States!**

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**Consignor information (shipper)**

List physical address. P.O. boxes are not permitted. *If the consignor lives overseas, you should list the foreign home address in this section.*

Legal name of person shipping pet/s from the foreign country

Owner's Legal Name (exactly as it appears on your government-issued photo id):

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Street Address in the States: City, State, Zip:

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Phone number in the States:

Email address:

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Are you traveling on the same plane as your pet?  YES  NO

Consignee Information (owner):

Legal name of the owner

Owner's Legal Name (exactly as it appears on your government-issued photo id):

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Street Address: City: State/Territory/Province/**Country: \*must be United States**

**List physical U.S. address where dog will be located upon return to the United States. P.O. Boxes are not permitted.**

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Note: Dogs that will be in the United States temporarily (such as for a vacation or other short-term travel) should have their temporary U.S. address listed. If the dog will be in the United States for less than one day and the owner does not have a U.S. address, including dogs whose owners live in Canada or Mexico, you may list the physical address of the U.S. veterinary clinic where the dog was vaccinated against rabies in this section. The address does not need to be updated on the form if it changes or for subsequent trips with a different temporary U.S. address.

Phone Number in destination country:

Email address:

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U.S. port of departure: *List intended port of re-entry when arriving back in the United States*

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Estimated date of shipment: *Enter estimated date of travel out of the United States.*

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Means of transport: *Choose the expected means of transport when arriving back in the United States*

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Estimate date of return: **\*\*the date of return must be before the expiration date of the dog's current rabies vaccination information listed on this form or this form will be invalid for re-entry.**

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**Pet information**

Pet Name:

Pet Birth date (age):



Microchip Number:

Microchip implant date: ***Documentation of implantation in medical notes are required\****



Pet Species:

Pet Breed:

Pet Color/Markings:



Pets Sex:

Is the pet neutered/spayed?:



***Please make sure we have a copy of your pets full rabies history on file, or we may not be able to provide you with this certificate. Records can be emailed to [info@ahofl.com](mailto:info@ahofl.com)***

**Pet information (second pet; if applicable)**

Pet Name:

Pet Birth date (age):



Microchip Number:

Microchip implant date: ***Documentation of implantation in medical notes are required\****



Pet Species:

Pet Breed:

Pet Color/Markings:



Pets Sex:

Is the pet neutered/spayed?:



If you have any questions or concerns regarding your pet's travel requirements, please do not hesitate to contact Marissa directly at [Marissa@ahofl.com](mailto:Marissa@ahofl.com)

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday: 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

We are happy to guide you through each step to ensure your pet's travel process is smooth, accurate, and stress-free.



Resources:

CDC Importation: Bringing a Dog into the U.S. <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/index.html>

USDA: Travel With a Pet <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/pet-travel>