



Checklist for Obtaining an International Health Certificates for Pets

Please note that preparing for travel to some countries can take months. It is **IMPORTANT** that all forms that may be necessary for travel are brought to your veterinarian. Please fill out the following prior to your visit.

1. Information your veterinarian needs to know in order to complete your pets health certificate:

a. Where is your pet going (destination country/state)? _____

Who will be traveling with the pet? (Check one)

The owner: _____

A person authorized by the owner: _____

A pet transport company is transporting the pet: _____

No one

b. What is the address of the destination country/state where your pet will be staying?

c. What date is your pet(s) leaving the United States? _____

d. When are you and your pet arriving in the destination country?

▪ You: _____

▪ Your pet(s): _____

e. What species is your pet that will be traveling? How many? (Check all that apply)

Dog: _____

Cat: _____

Other (please list) _____

f. Is your pet registered as any of the following:

Service animal

Emotional support animal

Therapy animal

None

2. Please consult the APHIS Pet travel website for the following information.

a. What type of health certificate will be required? (Check one)

A country-specific health certificate

A generic pet certificate (ex. APHIS 7001)

A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)

b. Is your pet required to be microchipped? (Check one)

Yes

No

If yes, is there a specific type of microchip required?

a. If yes, list the name. _____

My pet is already microchipped.

Microchip number and company name are:

c. What vaccines does your destination require? When must the vaccine be given? (Use table. **Please note that you will need to provide proof of these vaccines to your veterinarian to complete the Health Certificate.**)

List vaccine names and when they must be given

NOTE: You must have a physical rabies vaccine certificate for any rabies vaccinations documented on the health certificate. These vaccination certificates will be required by the USDA at the time of health certificate endorsement.

d. Are there any laboratory tests required by your destination country/state?

Yes or No (check one)

If yes, what tests are required and when must these samples be collected? (**Note:** The samples **MUST be collected** within the testing timeframe required by your destination country. Some tests may take a long time for the results to be returned and/or some countries required a waiting period after testing and before entry into the destination country/state.)

List laboratory test names/diseases and when they must be given

e. Are any treatments required by your destination country?

Yes

No

If yes, what treatments and when must they be given?(Use Table)

List Treatments and when they must be given

- f. Please note that health certificates are to be issued within 10 days of travel. When must a physical exam of the pet(s) be performed prior to travel?
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- g. Be sure to check with your airline to determine any requirements they may have. (Airlines may have **separate and additional requirements** from those of your destination country). Airlines have additional forms to complete for service animals and/or animals going into cargo hold (acclimation letter).
- h. If you intend to bring your pet back into the U.S., there may be re-entry requirements, depending on where you traveled. We recommend that you plan for them now. (See the pet import section for details).
3. Please consult the [APHIS pet travels](#) website to access the required certificate/form, when available.
4. After your health certificate has been completed, signed, and dated by your veterinarian, most countries require that international health certificates be submitted to a USDA APHIS Veterinary Services office for endorsement (**You** will need to call to see if you must make an appointment with the office). Some offices offer to review health certificates prior to submission. Please work with your endorsing USDA office to determine your options for paperwork review and/or submission.
5. Have safe travels with your pet!