Preparation of Animals Traveling Internationally

Step 1: (Client and Accredited Veterinarian)
Read all steps before beginning.

Step 2: (Client)
- Contact your personal Veterinarian to discuss your travel plans. Only Veterinarians who are Licensed in their State and Accredited with the USDA are authorized to sign Health Certificates for international travel.
- Contact the airline for any requirements specific to that airline. These requirements may include an additional examination (within a specified period of time) by a licensed veterinarian. Airline specific requirements may not require USDA endorsement.

Step 3: (Client and Accredited Veterinarian)
Review Frequently Asked Questions found at the following website: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_faq.shtml

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Step 4: (Client and Accredited Veterinarian)

Determine the specific animal export requirements for your destination.

Requirements for destination countries:

Enter the following URL into your web browser:
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regs/animals/
(link: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regs/animals/)

Scroll to the bottom of the web page and click on the first letter of the destination country (example: G for Germany).

In most instances, the animal health and documentation requirements for the destination country will be listed.

If the destination is not listed, contact the consulate or Ministry of Agriculture for the country requirements.

http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/164400.pdf

Step 5: (Accredited Veterinarian)

Complete the required documents, procedures and certifications.

Documents, procedures and certifications must be completed by a licensed USDA Accredited Veterinarian (refer to Step 3).

The timing and order of the health requirements is very important for animal movement to some countries. It is very important that the dates associated with a procedure comply with the country requirements.

For example, many countries require the implantation of an identification chip prior to rabies vaccination (i.e. Japan, European Union).

Ensure that the country specific requirements are met and documented, to include:

- Animal Identification
- Vaccinations
- Tests
- Treatments
- Pre-shipment examination
- All signatures must be completed in blue ink

Step 6: (Client/Accredited Veterinarian)

If USDA endorsement of the documents is required, refer to Administrative Notes on page 3.
Administrative Notes:
***Our office has moved. ***Please make a note of the new address***
USDA APHIS VS WA/AK/HI Area Office
ATTN: Export
1550 Irving Street SW, STE 100
Tumwater, WA 98512

Office hours, contact information and directions are located at this website:
link: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/area_offices/states/washington_info.html

Endorsement fees increase with the start of each fiscal year (October 1). Please note
the fees on the attached document titled "FY 2011 VETERINARY SERVICES USER FEE
SCHEDULE" (page 5).

Endorsement delivery and payment requirements:
Documents may be delivered to the office address:
by a delivery service (USPS, UPS, Fed EX, etc.), or
in person (by appointment only)

If you send the documents to this office for endorsement (preferred):

1. Endorsement fees are payable by check, money order or credit card. We are unable
to accept cash.
   If you choose to pay by check, you must include the SSN or Tax ID in the packet
   (not written anywhere on the check itself)(per Debt reduction Act of 1996).
   Please make checks out to “USDA”.
   If you choose to pay by credit card, you must include the name as it appears on
   the card, type of card (ViSA/MC/AMEX/DISCOver), 16 digit card number,
   expiration date, security code from the back, correct billing address and a contact
   phone number.

2. You should include a self-addressed, prepaid return envelope with the documents, so
   we can return them to the correct address. If no return envelope is included, we will return them
   by regular mail.

If you bring the documents to this office for endorsement:

1. An appointment is REQUIRED. Appointments are scheduled M-F, between 8:30 and
   11 AM. You should call 2-3 weeks ahead for appointments as the schedule fills
   quickly. The number to call is (360) 753-9430.
2. Payment requirements noted above remain the same.
3. Do NOT bring your pet to this office. We are tenants of this building and cannot
   accommodate pets. Service animals are welcome.

Endorsement processing:
The endorsement process takes 1-2 days upon receipt of correct, complete paperwork.
This office cannot correct inaccurate data, or complete omitted information.
Return travel time must also be taken into account.
Please retain all tracking numbers if using a priority delivery service.
USDA VETERINARY SERVICES EXPORT INFORMATION FOR VETS

DEFINITIONS:
CONSIGNEE: Individual receiving the animal (foreign address)
CONSIGNOR: Individual shipping or sending the animal (US address)
EXPORTER: Individual shipping or sending the animal (US address)
COUNTRY OF DISPATCH OF ANIMAL is always: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FORMS:
APHIS FORM 7001 (INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE (H/C))
-Used as International Health Certificate for countries that do not provide a Health Certificate.
-Endorsed by USDA (if required) for international shipment
-Valid for 30 days as an International Health Certificate, unless country specifies a shorter timeline.
-To also use the APHIS 701 as an Airline Health Certificate, it must be issued within 10 days or less of travel. Contact your airline for specific guidelines.
-USDA issues the certificate number for the Health Certificate. Please leave this area on the certificate blank.

WA STATE AGR-300 3008 FORM (Official WA State Small Animal Health Certificate) (1/2 PAGE)
-Obtained from State of Washington Department of Agriculture
-This Health Certificate does not require USDA endorsement (Except for JAPAN)
-Most commonly used for State-to-State movement,
-Also can be used for Airline Health Certificate (preferred)

ALL FORMS ALREADY ASSIGNED A CERTIFICATE NUMBER ARE CONSIDERED CONTROLLED FORMS. WE PROVIDE THESE FORMS, BUT ONLY TO ACCREDITED VETERINARIANS. WE CANNOT PROVIDE THEM TO THE CLIENTS OR INDIVIDUAL TRAVELERS.

COMPLETION OF HEALTH CERTIFICATES:
USE BLUE INK FOR SIGNATURES ON ALL FORMS
REMEMBER TO PRINT NAME AND SIGN ALL FORMS INCLUDING RABIES CERT
Check with international transit points to determine whether additional Veterinary Certificates are required for each specific point.
Identify the animal by microchip and annotate it on all documents
You are the “Authorized Veterinarian” (large block on the European Union Certificate)
USDA is the “Official Veterinarian”, “Federal Veterinarian” or “Competent Authority” (2 line block on European Union Veterinary Certificates)
USER FEE SCHEDULE

User fees are authorized by section 2509(c)(1) of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, as amended (21 U.S.C., 136a). This fee increase structure has been reviewed under Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform.

Effective October 1, 2011 the user fees are as follows. Listed below are the endorsement fees for this fiscal year.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>CERTIFICATE</th>
<th>FEE as of 10/01/2011</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>HORSES TO CANADA</strong> (APHIS Form 17-145)</td>
<td>$60.00</td>
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<td>➔ Each horse certificate</td>
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<td><strong>HORSES TO CANADA</strong> (APHIS Form 17-140/17-140A)</td>
<td>$60.00</td>
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<td>➔ Each add’l horse (same cert. - same owner - same destination)</td>
<td>$7.00</td>
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<td><strong>PETS</strong> (Dogs, cats, etc) with no tests</td>
<td>$38.00</td>
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<td><strong>RUMINANTS</strong> with 0 tests per certificate</td>
<td>$52.00</td>
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<td>(ie, sheep to Canada)</td>
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<td><strong>ANIMALS with 1-2 tests</strong></td>
<td>$121.00</td>
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<td>➔ (Each add’l animal)</td>
<td>$7.00</td>
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<td><strong>ANIMALS</strong> with 3-6 tests</td>
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<td>➔ (Each add’l animal)</td>
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<td><strong>ANIMALS</strong> with 7+ tests</td>
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<td>➔ (Each add’l animal)</td>
<td>$14.00</td>
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<td><strong>POULTRY</strong> (&amp; Hatching Eggs)</td>
<td>$48.00</td>
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<td><strong>SLAUGHTER ANIMALS</strong> (to Canada or Mexico)</td>
<td>$56.00</td>
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<td><strong>EMBRYOS</strong> (up to 5 donor pairs)</td>
<td>$132.00</td>
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<td>(Each add’l group of 5 donor pairs)</td>
<td>$59.00</td>
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<td><strong>SEmen</strong></td>
<td>$81.00</td>
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<td><strong>BY-PRODUCTS</strong></td>
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We welcome you to view the User Fee schedule at the following link:
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/mrpbs/fmd/vs_import_export_fees.shtml#13020

User Fees are payable by the following methods:
major credit/debit card, money order, personal check with SSN or Tax ID,
or active APHIS-VS account.
## Example

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not sponsor or sponsor, and a person is required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0724-0233 and 0724-0333. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 0.25 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
### ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
### UNITED STATES INTERSTATE AND INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF HEALTH EXAMINATION FOR SMALL ANIMALS

**WARNING:** Anyone who makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement on this document or uses such document knowing it to be false, fictitious, or fraudulent may be subject to a fine of not more than $10,000 or imprisonment of not more than 5 years or both. (16 U.S.C. 459b)

1. **TYPE OF ANIMAL SHIPPED (select only one):**
   - Dog
   - Cat
   - Other
   - Nonhuman Primate
   - Ferret
   - Rodent

2. **CERTIFICATE NUMBER - OFFICIAL USE ONLY:**
   - USDA assigns this number

3. **TOTAL NUMBER OF ANIMALS:**
   - 1

4. **PAGE:**
   - 1 of 1

5. **NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF OWNER (CONSIGNOR):**

6. **NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF RECIPIENT AT DESTINATION (CONSIGNEE):**
   - Shipping to: [THIS PERSON RECEIVING THE ANIMAL IN THE FOREIGN COUNTRY WITH A FOREIGN ADDRESS OR MILITARY BASE ADDRESS AND CONTACT PHONE NUMBER]

7. **ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION:**
   - **NAME AND/OR TATTOO NUMBER OR OTHER IDENTIFICATION:**
   - **BREED - COMMON OR SCIENTIFIC NAME:**
   - **AGE:**
   - **SEX:**
   - **COLOR OR DISTINCTIVE MARKS OR MICROCHIP:**
   - **RABIES VACCINATION:**
     - [ ] 1 YEAR
     - [ ] 2 YEARS
     - [X] 3 YEARS

8. **PERTINENT VACCINATION, TREATMENT, AND TESTING HISTORY:**
   - **DATE OF VACCINATION:**
   - **PRODUCT:**
   - **PRODUCT TYPE AND/OR RESULTS:**

9. **REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS (WHEN REQUIRED):**
   - **ANY STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTRY OR OTHER COUNTRY REQUIREMENTS:**
   - **STATEMENTS REQUIRED DURING TRAVEL:**

10. **ENDORSEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL EXPORT (IF APPLICABLE):**
    - **PRINTED NAME OF USDA VETERINARIAN:**
    - **USDA COMPLETES THIS SECTION:**

11. **SIGNATURE OF USDA VETERINARIAN:**
    - **APPLY USDA SEAL OR STAMP HERE:**
    - **DATE:**

12. **NATIONAL ACCREDITATION NUMBER:**
    - **LICENSE NUMBER AND STATE:**
    - **APPLIED BY:**
    - **DATE:**

13. **INTERNATIONAL SHIPMENTS MAY REQUIRE CERTIFICATION BY AN ACCREDITED VETERINARIAN:**
    - **BLUE INK:**

APHS Form 7001 (Nov 2010)

This certificate is valid for 30 days after issuance.