Preparation of Animals Traveling Internationally

United States Department of Agriculture

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Veterinary Services

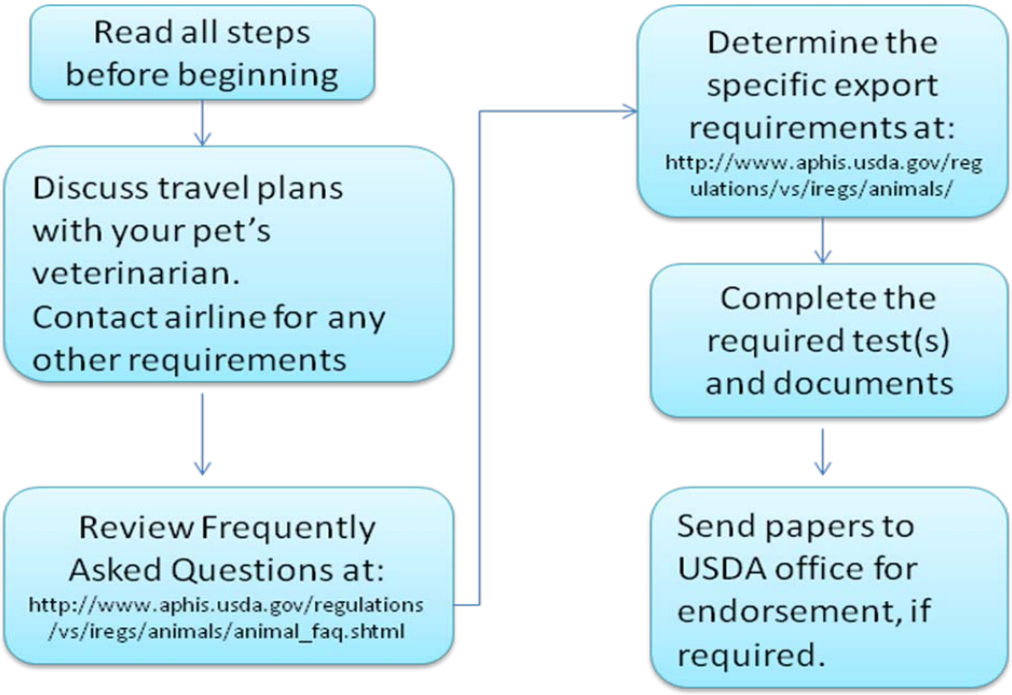
Salem Area Office

530 Center St. NE
Suite 335
Salem, OR 97301

503.399.5871 Office

503.399.5607 Fax

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
link: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/animal_faq.shtml

Continued on next page

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/regulations/vs/iregs/animals/
(link: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/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 (microchip #)
  - Vaccinations
  - Tests
  - Treatments
  - Pre-shipment examination
  - All signatures must be completed in blue ink

Step 6: (Accredited Veterinarian)
If USDA endorsement of the documents is required, refer to Administrative Notes on page 3.

Administrative Notes:

USDA APHIS VS OR Area Office
ATTN: Export Desk
530 Center Street NE, STE 335
Salem, OR 97301

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

Endorsement fees increase with the start of each fiscal year (October 1). Please note the fees on the attached document titled "FY 2012 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.

   Note: On Average processing time is 1 – 2 days; or longer depending on if the certificate is correct and complete upon submission.

If you **bring** the documents to this office for endorsement:

1. An appointment is REQUIRED. Appointments are scheduled M-F, between 8:30 and 1:00 PM. You should call 2-3 weeks ahead for appointments as the schedule fills quickly. The number to call is **(503) 399-5871**.
2. Payment requirements noted above remain the same.
3. You do not need to bring your pet(s) to your appointment with you. Please feel free to leave them at home where they are comfortable. Service animals are welcome however.

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 those 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 7001 as an Airline Health Certificate, it must be issued within 10 days or less of travel. Contact your airline for specific guidelines.
  -Download, fill and print a current APHIS 7001 Form at this website:
  http://www.aphis.usda.gov/library/forms/pdf/APHIS7001.pdf
  -USDA issues the certificate number for the Health Certificate. Please leave this area on the certificate blank.

- 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:

- **<u>USE BLUE INK FOR SIGNATURES ON ALL FORMS</u>**
- **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)

FY 2012 VETERINARY SERVICES 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:

CERTIFICATE	USER FEE
HORSES TO CANADA	$59.00
(Each add'l horse, same owner – same destination)	$6.75
PETS (Dogs, cats, etc) with no tests	$37.00
RUMINANTS with **0 tests** per certificate (ie, sheep to Canada)	$51.00
ANIMALS with 1-2 tests **(New Zealand and Australia remain at $36.00)**	$117.00
(Each add'l animal)	$6.75
ANIMALS with **3-6 tests**	$145.00
(Each add'l animal)	$11.00
ANIMALS with **7+ tests**	$168.00
(Each add'l animal)	$13.00
POULTRY (& Hatching Eggs)	$46.00
SLAUGHTER ANIMALS (to Canada or Mexico)	$54.00
EMBRYOS (up to 5 donor pairs)	$128.00
(Each add'l group of 5 donor pairs)	$57.00
SEMEN	$79.00
BY-PRODUCTS	$49.00

Please see payment requirements in Administrative Notes.

EXAMPLE

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control numbers for this information collection are 0579-0036 and 0579-0333. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average .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.

No dog, cat, nonhuman primate, or additional kinds or classes of animals designated by USDA regulation shall be delivered to any intermediate handler or carrier for transportation in commerce, unless accompanied by a health certificate executed and issued by a licensed veterinarian (7 U.S.C. 21.43.9; CFR, Subchapter A, Part 2).

OMB APPROVED
0579-0036
0579-0333

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 (18 U.S.C. 1001).

1. TYPE OF ANIMAL SHIPPED (select one only)

[X] Dog [ ] Cat [ ] Other ~~1 species only~~

[ ] 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*)

TO COMPLETE THE FORM ONLINE GO TO:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/library/forms/pdf/APHIS7001.pdf

SHIPPING FROM: NAME AND ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF SENDER

USDA License/or Registration Number (*if applicable*)

6. NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF RECIPIENT AT DESTINATION (*CONSIGNEE*)

SHIPPING TO: THIS IS THE PERSON RECEIVING THE ANIMAL IN THE FOREIGN COUNTRY WITH A FOREIGN ADDRESS OR MILITARY BASE ADDRESS AND CONTACT PHONE NUMBER

ENSURE THAT THE PET OWNER HAS PROVIDED THIS INFORMATION BEFORE ACCREDITED VETERINARIAN SIGNS THE BOTTOM RIGHT ISSUING VETERINARIAN SPACE

7. ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION / **8. PERTINENT VACCINATION, TREATMENT, AND TESTING HISTORY**

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 [ ] 3 YEARS		OTHER VACCINATIONS, TREATMENT, AND/OR TESTS AND RESULTS	
					Vaccination Date	Product	Date	Product Type and/or Results
(1) MICROCHIP NUMBER	DOBERMAN	3 YR	F	BROWN/WHITE	02/06/11	MERIAL 1804112A 1OR3YR	02/06/11	VANGUARD5CVL
(2)							01/04/11	BORDATELLA VACCINE
(3)							ETC.	ETC.
(4)							ETC.	ETC.
(5)								
(6)								

9. REMARKS OR ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS (*WHEN REQUIRED*)

ANY STATEMENTS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTRY OR
TEMPERATURE/CLIMATE STATEMENTS REQUIRED DURING TRAVEL

VETERINARY CERTIFICATION: I certify that the animals described in box 7 have been examined by me this date, that the information provided in box 8 is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that the following findings have been made ("X" applicable statements).

[ ] I have verified the presence of the microchip, if a microchip is listed in box 7.

[ ] I certify that the animal(s) described above and on continuation sheet(s), if applicable, have been inspected by me on this date and appear to be free of any infectious or contagious diseases and to the best of my knowledge, exposure thereto, which would endanger the animal or other animals or would endanger public health.

[ ] To my knowledge, the animal(s) described above and on continuation sheet(s) if applicable, originated from an area not quarantined for rabies and has/have not been exposed to rabies.

ENDORSEMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL EXPORT (*IF NEEDED*)

PRINTED NAME OF USDA VETERINARIAN

USDA COMPLETES THIS SECTION

NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF ISSUING VETERINARIAN

YOUR VETERINARIAN FIRST AND LAST NAME MUST APPEAR HERE WITH THE CLINIC NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER WITH STATE LICENSE NUMBER, STATE AND NATIONAL ACCREDITATION NUMBER IN THE BOXES TO THE RIGHT

NOTE: International shipments may require certification by an accredited veterinarian.

LICENSE NUMBER AND STATE

Accredited [X] **Yes** [ ] **No**
If yes, please complete below

NATIONAL ACCREDITATION NUMBER

SIGNATURE OF USDA VETERINARIAN *Apply USDA Seal or Stamp here*

DATE

SIGNATURE OF ISSUING VETERINARIAN

BLUE INK

DATE

APHIS Form 7001
(NOV 2010)

This certificate is valid for 30 days after issuance