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# **Export Live Animals to Cyprus**

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# **Electronic Signature ACCEPTED; Original Ink Endorsement REQUIRED**

For Accredited Veterinarians: Electronic signature ACCEPTED

For APHIS VMO: Original ink endorsement REQUIRED

USDA-accredited veterinarians can electronically issue health certificates and use VEHCS (Veterinary Export Health Certification System) to submit them to USDA for endorsement.

USDA must ink-sign and emboss the health certificate.

What This Means for You

**Accredited Veterinarians:** Use the links below to access or get help with VEHCS. Learn more about how to issue export health certificates.

**Animal Owners/Shippers:** You can arrange to have your health certificate returned by mail (a prepaid, preaddressed return label must be provided during certificate submission). The endorsed health certificate—ink-signed and embossed—must accompany the animal(s) during shipment or travel.

VEHCS Help | VEHCS Guide (7.58 MB) | VEHCS Login

Live Animal Export Country Requirements
Requirements

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# **Summary of Requirements**

This country is a Member State of the European Union (EU). Bilingual health certificates are available for some commodities/species (see below). If the bilingual certificate for that species or commodity is not listed below, please refer to the English version on the EU IRegs webpage. It is the responsibility of the exporter to obtain a bilingual certificate if it is not listed below.

The European Union (EU) has updated all of their harmonized health certificates in accordance with their <u>Animal Health Law</u>. The new export health certificates are posted on the <u>EU IRegs</u>. Regularly check the <u>EU IRegs</u> for the most up-to-date information regarding live animal exports to the EU.

It is the responsibility of the exporter to obtain a bilingual certificate if it is not available on the relevant Member State IRegs page. If you need to create a bilingual version of a harmonized EU certificate, please contact <a href="LAIE@usda.gov">LAIE@usda.gov</a> with your request, and we will provide you the necessary documents.

**Note:** Some health certificates may have had non-relevant statements removed (rather than lined out) as allowed in EU legislation, which is strictly to simplify/shorten the documents.

#### Taking a Pet to Another Country?

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If your species is not listed, the requirements for that species are not known. Exporters who want to ship livestock or germplasm whose requirements are not listed above should have the importer or buyer in the destination country apply for an import permit at the appropriate ministry. This import permit will most likely outline the specific requirements.

## **Need Help?**

#### **USDA-Accredited Veterinarians**

Contact a USDA-accredited veterinarian for questions about your destination country's entry requirements for animals (including any needed vaccinations, tests, or treatments) and for issuance of health certificates.

#### Find a USDA-Accredited Veterinarian

#### **USDA** Endorsement Offices

Contact the appropriate email below for questions about endorsing an export health certificate for live animals.

In-person appointments and drop-off endorsement services are <u>not</u> available. For best results, accredited veterinarians should submit certificates electronically through the Veterinary Export Health Certification System (VEHCS).

For VEHCS help see the <u>VEHCS help page</u>. Routine APHIS VEHCS processing services are staffed Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM Central Time (CT) excluding federal holidays, the time listed in VEHCS reflects GMT.



# Questions about endorsing an export health certificate for live animals?

Pets	AskVETS@usda.gov
Livestock, including equine, poultry, and wildlife/zoo animals	LivestockExport@usda.gov
Semen, embryos	GermplasmExport@usda.gov
Aquaculture	VETS.RAEF@usda.gov

#### **Related Resources**

- Frequently Asked Questions About Live Animal Exports
- VEHCS Login
- National Veterinary Accreditation Program: Information for Veterinarians
- Role of the Accredited Veterinarian in International Animal Exports

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