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## **Export Live Animals to Philippines**

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# **Electronic Signature and Digital Endorsement ACCEPTED**

For Accredited Veterinarians: Electronic signature ACCEPTED

For APHIS VMO: Digital endorsement ACCEPTED

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

USDA can digitally endorse the health certificate and return it electronically.

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:** The endorsed health certificate can be printed out directly from VEHCS and does **not** have to be mailed back to you. The printed, endorsed health certificate must accompany the animal(s) during shipment or

travel.

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

Live Animal Export Country Requirements - Select a Country - Requirements

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### **Summary of Requirements**

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#### Equine

• Equine - Health Certificate (30.31 KB) - March 2009

#### Cattle

- <u>Cattle Health Requirements</u> (53.8 KB) February 2014
- Bovine Semen Health Certificate (21.5 KB) November 2009
- Bovine Embryos Protocol (129.81 KB) May 2020
- Bovine Embryos Sample Health Certificate\* (177.26 KB) May 2020

#### Sheep and Goats

- Sheep and Goats Protocol (43.88 KB) February 2014
- Sheep and Goats Semen Health Certificate (173.13 KB) October 2021

#### Swine

- Swine Health Certificate (41.66 KB) December 2011
- Swine Semen Health Certificate (29.85 KB) December 2011

#### **Poultry**

**Note:** The Philippines does not permit entry of U.S. origin birds or poultry from ANY county with confirmed HPAI detections in poultry, as defined by WOAH. Should three or more counties in one State have confirmed cases of HPAI, expect that entire State to become restricted as well.

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Philippines does not require a certain format for the health certificate.

There are currently **STATE-level** restrictions on all domestic and wild birds and their products, including poultry, day-old chicks and hatching eggs from the following U.S. states, due to HPAI: **California, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, South Dakota,** and **Wisconsin.** 

• <u>Birds - Pet, Exhibition, Day-old Chicks, and Hatching Eggs - Health Certificate</u> (191.95 KB) - February 2019

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#### Other Animals

- Commercial Pet Dogs and Cats March 2021
  - Philippines Requirements Memo (2.74 MB) March 2021 A summary of the requirements are as follows:

- Commercial U.S. exporters of dogs and cats should first ensure that their Philippine importer is registered with the Philippine Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) and approved by BAI to import commercial shipments of pet dogs and cats.
- If the Philippine importer is not registered with BAI, he/she can apply to be registered via the following web address: https://www.intercommerce.com.ph.
- o A User's Guide for the Registration Process (1.88 MB) March 2021
- The registered Philippine importer will obtain the required Philippine import permit (known by the acronym "SPSIC") from BAI and provide a copy of the SPSIC to the U.S. exporter.
- There are no BAI restrictions on the number of dogs and/or cats that can be listed on a commercial SPSIC.
- The SPSIC will specify the animal health import requirements for the commercial U.S. origin dogs and/or cats that must be met prior to travel to the Philippines.
- Your private USDA accredited veterinarian will then issue an export health certificate in accordance with the criteria listed in the SPSIC. The USDA accredited veterinarian can use the <u>APHIS Form 7001</u>, the "United States Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals" OR use the <u>Veterinarian Export Health Certification System</u> (VEHCS).
- The corresponding export health certificate can only list the same number animals that are identified on the SPSIC. The number of animals listed on the SPSIC should match the number of animals listed on the APHIS export health certificate.
- All health certificates for commercial U.S. origin dogs and cats to the Philippines must be issued by a USDA accredited veterinarian, and then endorsed by USDA-APHIS prior to travel.
- The issuing USDA accredited veterinarian can upload the completed health certificate and submit the from electronically to APHIS for endorsement, through the Veterinary Export Health Certification System (VEHCS).
- APHIS endorsement may occur digitally in <u>VEHCS</u>, and a paper copy of the final health certificate **must** accompany the shipment.
- For non-commercial pet dogs and cats to the Philippines, please click <u>here</u>

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#### Taking a Pet to Another Country?

#### Visit Pet Travel

#### **Contact BAI**

Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) National Veterinary Quarantine Service Visayas Ave., Diliman, Quezon City 1128

Tel. No. (632) 920 0816/926 4343

Fax No. (632) 920 0815

E-mail: bai dir@yahoo.com; baiquarantineph@gmail.com;

baiquarantine@hotmail.com

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?**

#### **Download contacts**

**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 your nearest APHIS Veterinary Export Trade Services Endorsement Office for questions about endorsing an export health certificate for live animals.

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All Contacts

#### **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

#### **Print**