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Export Live Animals to Qatar

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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.

Live Animal Export Country Requirements - Select a Country - View Requirements

Summary of Requirements

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Equine

Note: U.S. origin horses that will transit a third country on their way to Qatar must seek permission to transit from Qatari officials prior to applying for the import permit and traveling. Additional requirements may apply. Horses are not allowed to transit certain countries. The note below is still applicable.

Note: Effective June 17, 2021, APHIS-endorsed health certificates for the export of U.S. origin horses must be presented to the Qatari import officials prior to the issuance of import permits.

- Horses Temporary - Health Certificate (159.01 KB) - April 2018
- Horses - Permanent - Health Certificate (165.95 KB) - April 2018

Cattle

- Cattle - Breeding - Health Certificate (116.96 KB) - October 2017
- Supplementary Import Requirements for Cattle from the United States to Qatar (186.56 KB)- June 2024

Poultry

Note: Qatar requires the following additional certification statement on the health certificate for export of live poultry/day-old chicks/hatching eggs from the United

States to Qatar: "The live poultry/day-old chicks/hatching eggs were derived from a county that is free of notifiable avian influenza as defined by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)."

Note: For shipments of live poultry, day-old chicks, and hatching eggs exported from the United States that are transiting Qatar, exporters should provide all information on the transshipments (copies of all documents, including health certificates) to Qatar Airways ahead of shipping, and ask Qatar Airways to inform the Qatar Animal Resources Department.

Sheep and Goats

- Sheep and Goats - Health Certificate (179.93 KB) - September 2023

Other Animals

Taking a Pet to Another Country?

Visit Pet Travel

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); issuance of health certificates; and status updates on certificate endorsement.

Find a USDA-Accredited Veterinarian

APHIS Endorsement Offices

APHIS Veterinary Export Trade Services (VETS) offers commodity-specific expertise for exporting animals. Use the dropdown to contact us with questions about endorsing health certificates. For quickest help, see **tips for exporters and accredited veterinarians.**

- Select a Commodity - ▼

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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

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