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## Export Live Animals to Spain

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### Orange Banner Country

**For Accredited Veterinarians:** Electronic signature ACCEPTED

**For APHIS VMO:** Original ink endorsement REQUIRED



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**Accredited veterinarians** can submit health certificates for USDA endorsement electronically through VEHCS (Veterinary Export Health Certification System).

However, this country requires **USDA to ink-sign and emboss the health**

**certificate.** This means the final, endorsed health certificate that travels with the animal(s) must be mailed back.

**IMPORTANT: The endorsed health certificate (paper, not electronic) must accompany the shipment.** The endorsed health certificate will be returned by mail (a pre-paid, pre-addressed return label must be provided during certificate submission).

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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 [Animal Health Law](#). The new export health certificates are posted on the [EU IRegs](#). Regularly check the [EU IRegs](#) 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 [LAIE@usda.gov](mailto:LAIE@usda.gov) 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.

## Cattle

**Bovine - Semen - Dispatched from Semen Collection Center**

## **Bovine - Germinal Products (Semen/Embryos/Oocytes) - Dispatched from Germinal Product Storage Center or Germinal Product Processing Establishment**

### **Poultry**

**Note:** Due to detection of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) in the United States, the following model certificates for poultry may not be able to be endorsed: HEP, DOC, POU-LT20, and HE-LT20. Contact the relevant [Veterinary Export Trade Services \(VETS\) Endorsement Office](#) if there is any question about restrictions on a specific shipment. Model SPF is not affected.

### **Aquaculture / Aquatic Animals**

- [AQUA - ENTRY - ESTAB/RELEASE/OTHER](#) (395.5 KB) - Health certificate for the entry into the Union of aquatic animals intended for certain aquaculture establishments, for release into the wild, or for other purposes, excluding direct human consumption - September 2021

**Note:** Additional information regarding the use of this certificate can be found on the [EU IRegs webpage](#).

### **Research / Laboratory Animals**

- [Research Rodents - Health Certificate](#) (181.38 KB)
- [Rodent Origin Materials for Purposes other than Consumption](#) (83.21 KB) - December 2023

### **Other Animals**

- [Reptiles and Amphibians - Commercial \(IMP-153\) - Health Certificate](#) (126.13 KB) - July 2014
- [Live Annelids \(Bloodworms\) Intended for Fishing Bait - Health Certificate](#) (54.69 KB) - November 2016
- [Canine/Feline Germinal Product- Health Certificate](#) (219.58 KB) - February 2022

## Pets

Visit the [APHIS Pet Travel Website](#) for information about exporting your pets.

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?

Export Trade Services (by State)

APHIS has animal health officials available nationwide with expertise in export requirements for animals. Contact your nearest office for questions about endorsing an export or health certificate for live animals.

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