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# Export Live Animals to Taiwan

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**For Accredited Veterinarians:** Electronic signature ACCEPTED

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



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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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Live Animal Export Country Requirements

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All live animals, semen, and embryos that are required to undergo testing for specific animal diseases prior to export may be required by Taiwan law to have both a sample and test date listed on the health certificate.

## Summary of Requirements

### Equine

- [Horses - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Horses - Health Certificate](#) - July 2022
- [Donkeys - Health Certificate](#) - July 2022
- [Equine Semen - Protocol](#) - May 2022

### Cattle

- [Bovine - Embryos - Protocol](#) - May 2022

**Note:** Vesicular stomatitis should be tested negative for both Indiana and New Jersey strains.

- [Bovine - Semen - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Bovine - Semen - Health Certificate](#) - June 2022

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### Sheep and Goats

- [Sheep and Goats - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Sheep and Goats - Semen - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Sheep and Goats - Embryos - Protocol](#) - May 2022

## Swine

**Note:** As of November 2018, during the pre-export quarantine all pigs shall require oral swabs for Senecavirus A (SVA ) RT-PCR testing with negative results prior to shipment to Taiwan.

- [Swine - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Swine - Health Certificate](#) - June 2022
- [Swine - Embryos - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Swine - Semen - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Swine - Semen - Health Certificate](#) - May 2022

**Note:** This health certificate is available to be completed in [VEHCS](#).

## Poultry

**Note:** Please check Taiwan's [website](#) to verify if the State of origin has been removed from the list of Avian Influenza free states in order to determine eligibility for export of live birds (including pet birds) and hatching eggs.

Please check with your [Veterinary Export Trade Services \(VETS\) Endorsement Office](#) to receive the current health certificate and confirm the bird will be allowed entry.

Taiwan **does not allow** movement of birds through any country/zone considered affected with high pathogenic avian influenza. This ban currently includes **China and Hong Kong**.

- [Requirements for Poultry and Birds - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- Land Fowl (Chickens, Turkeys, Pheasants, Quails, Guinea fowls, Partridges, Grouses, Peafowl Ostriches, Emus, and Cassowaries, etc.) – Health Certificate – Available Upon Request
- Water Fowl (Ducks, Geese, Swans, Mandarin ducks, Penguins, Sandpipers, Plovers, Egrets, Storks, Cranes, Rails, Pelicans, etc.) - Health Certificate -

Available Upon Request

- Other Birds (Pigeons, Parrots, Eagles, and Other Birds of Flight) - Health Certificate - Available Upon Request
- [Poultry - Day-old Birds and Hatching Eggs - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- Poultry - Day-old Chicks and Hatching Eggs of Land Fowl (Chickens, Turkeys, Pheasants, Quails, Guinea fowls, Partridges, Grouses, Peafowl, Ostriches, Emus, and Cassowaries, etc.) - Health Certificate - Available Upon Request

**Note:** A [VS Form 17-6](#) should also accompany shipments of day-old chicks and hatching eggs.

- [Poultry - SPF Eggs - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- Poultry - SPF Eggs - Health Certificate - Available Upon Request

### **Interim Measures for the Importation of Day-Old Poultry, Hatching Eggs, and Fertilized Chicken Eggs for Research Purposes or Vaccine Production from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) Free Zones within a state restricted by Taiwan**

- [Summary information on steps to obtain a special interim import permit for facilities that are in HPAI- free zone](#) (>10 km) within a state that has been removed from [Taiwan's AI free list](#)
- [Day-old chicks and hatching eggs - interim measures - Health Certificate](#)
- [SPF eggs - interim measures Health Certificate](#)
- [Transit declaration](#)

\*\* This declaration is also required for poultry that is domestically transiting through HPAI restricted zones

### **Aquatic Animals**

APHIS Registered Aquaculture Export Facility [approval is required](#).

[Fish \(including Young and Adult Eels\), their Gametes and Fertilized Eggs – Health Certificate](#) – February 2024

- [Fish \(including Young and Adult Eels\), their Gametes and Fertilized Eggs – Protocol](#)  
– February 2024

[Crustaceans and Mollusks – Health Certificate](#) – February 2024

[Crustaceans and Mollusks - Protocol](#) – February 2024

**Notes:** Taiwan considers the following species susceptible to Decapod iridescent virus 1 (DIV1) and are required to comply with the [importation requirements of Taiwan](#).

*Procambarus clarkii*

*Cherax quadricarinatus*

*Macrobrachium nipponense*

*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*

*Penaeus vannamei*

**Note:** For endorsement of health certificates of aquatic animals intended for human consumption, please contact National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) – Seafood Inspection Program at +1-800-422-2750 or for more information visit their website at [NOAA's Seafood Inspection Program](#)

## Research / Laboratory Animals

- [Dogs - Laboratory - Health Certificate](#) - June 2022
- [Ferrets - Laboratory - Health Certificate](#) - June 2022
- [Rabbits - Laboratory - Health Certificate](#) - June 2022
- [Mice - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Fertilized Chicken Eggs - Research Purposes or Vaccine Production - Protocol](#) - May 2022
- [Fertilized Chicken Eggs - Research Purposes or Vaccine Production - Health Certificate](#) - May 2022

## Other Animals

- [Live Tortoises - Protocol](#) April 2023
  - [Live Tortoises \(Four or less\) - Health Certificate](#) April 2023
  - [Live Tortoises \(Five or more\) - Health Certificate](#) April 2023
- [Rabbits - Commercial / Non-Laboratory / Pet purposes - Health Certificate](#) - June 2022
- [Canine Semen - Protocol](#) – May 2022

- [Giant Pandas – Protocol](#) – May 2022
- [Hedgehogs – Protocol](#) – May 2022
- [Marsupials – Protocol](#) – May 2022
- [Meerkats – Protocol](#) – May 2022
- [Other Terrestrial Mammals – Protocol](#) – May 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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