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Export Live Animals to Turks and Caicos Islands

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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 [View Requirements](#)

Summary of Requirements

Note: Turks and Caicos Islands importers / exporters should be reminded that import permits are needed.

Importers are being reminded that all imports of live animals, animal products, and animal by-products to be imported into the Turks and Caicos Islands require an import permit.

All imports must come to an official port of entry, and all import conditions attached to a particular commodity must be satisfied before landing clearance is given.

It is the importer's responsibility to verify the accuracy and completeness of all import conditions before they attempt to import commodities into the Islands. Commodities without import permits will be returned to the country of origin.

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Equine

- [Horses - Health Certificate](#) (201.81 KB) - May 2013

Poultry

- [Poultry - Hatching Eggs and Day-old Chicks - Health Certificate](#) (165.16 KB) - September 2014

Birds (non-Poultry)

- [Birds - Health Certificate](#) (135.95 KB) - May 2013

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Aquaculture/Aquatic Animals

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

- [Live Aquatic - Health Certificate](#) (141.88 KB) - July 2015

Other Animals

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

[Find a USDA-Accredited Veterinarian](#)

APHIS Live Animal Industry Team

APHIS Veterinary Services' Industry Team has commodity-specific expertise in export requirements for live animals. Use the contacts below for questions about endorsing an export health certificate or related topics.

[View Helpful Tips and Information](#)

[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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